

MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

March 22, 2000

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 1:33 p.m., Wednesday, March 22, 2000, in the Board of Regents' Auditorium, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Mary Ella Sanders called the meeting to order. Coordinator of Board Services, Ms. Helen Johnson, called the roll and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:

Mary Ella Sanders, Chair
Herschel Abbott
Harold Callais
Richard D'Aquin, Vice Chair
Frances Henry
Melvin Rambin
Virgil Robinson, Jr.
Pat Strong
Jared McGlocklin, Student Member

Absent:

Scott Brame
Michael Dees
Reggie Dupré
John Georges
Ron Roberts, Secretary
Norbert Simmons
Roland Toups

MINUTES APPROVED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 24, 2000

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Abbott, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of February 24, 2000, as circulated.

K-12 INITIATIVES PRESENTATION

Presentations on K-12 initiatives were made as follows:

- A. Southern University - New Orleans- Dr. A. Jefferson
- B. Louisiana State University - Eunice - Chancellor Nunez, Dr. S. Guempel, Dr. G. Guillory, Dr. M. Thomas
- C. Louisiana State University - Shreveport - Chancellor Marsala, Dr. S. Mills, Dr. G. Rush

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MARCH 22, 2000

On behalf of Regent Henry, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Dr. Carolyn Hargrave, Deputy Commissioner for Academic Affairs, presented motions from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of March 22, 2000.

PROPOSED GUIDELINES - NEW CENTERS, INSTITUTES, AND OTHER SIMILAR ACADEMIC/RESEARCH UNITS

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for Guidelines: Proposed New Centers, Institutes, and Other Similar Academic/Research Units. Upon approval by the Board of Regents, these Guidelines shall become effective immediately.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

- A. Southern University-New Orleans - M.A. in Museum Studies and Cultural Preservation

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed M.A. in Museum Studies and Cultural Preservation (CIP Code 30.1401), subject to the following stipulations:

- 1. SUNO shall engage the services of an appropriately qualified Program Director, as specified in the report of external consultants. It is expected that this person shall be hired effective September 1, 2000.**
- 2. June 1, 2001, SUNO shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a progress report which updates efforts of the University to address all other recommendations of external consultants.**

3. **Based upon an assessment of the above progress report, the Board of Regents shall determine whether the University has made sufficient progress to justify the admission of students, projected for Fall 2001.**

B. Louisiana State University-Eunice - Certificate in Diagnostic Medical Sonography

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Abbott, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed Certificate program in Diagnostic Medical Sonography (CIP Code 51.0910) at Louisiana State University-Eunice, subject to the following stipulations:

1. **LSU-E shall engage the services of an appropriately qualified Program Director, as specified in the report of external consultants. It is expected that this person shall be hired effective September 1, 2000.**
2. **By June 1, 2001, LSU-E shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a progress report which updates efforts of the University to address all other recommendations of external consultants.**
3. **Based upon an assessment of the above progress report, the Board of Regents shall determine whether the University has made sufficient progress to justify the admission of students, projected for Fall 2001.**

C. Nicholls State University - B.S. in Manufacturing Technology

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant conditional approval for the proposed B.S. program in Manufacturing Technology (CIP Code 15.0603) at Nicholls State University. Beginning June 1, 2000, and on the date every year thereafter until accreditation of the program has been granted by the Accrediting Board for Engineering and Technology, the University shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a report updating efforts to address weaknesses and problematic areas identified by external consultants and the staff.

PROPOSED LETTERS OF INTENT

A. Southeastern Louisiana University

1. M.A. in Organizational Communications

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Abbott, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the Letter of Intent for the projected M.A. program in Organizational Communication at Southeastern Louisiana University (CIP Code 09.0501), with the stipulation that any proposal forthcoming as a result of this Letter of Intent shall include the results of a need assessment survey which indicate both substantial employer demand and student interest and a comprehensive five-year program budget, including likely expenditures and sources of funding.

2. M.S. in Applied Sociology

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Abbott, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the Letter of Intent for the projected M.S. program in Applied Sociology at Southeastern Louisiana University (CIP Code 45.1101), with the stipulation that any proposal forthcoming as a result of this Letter of Intent shall include the results of a needs assessment survey which indicates both substantial employer demand and student interest and a comprehensive five-year program budget, including likely expenditures and sources of funding.

B. University of Louisiana at Monroe - B.B.A. in Entrepreneurship

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Abbott, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to grant approval for the Letter of Intent for the projected B.B.A. program in Entrepreneurship at the University of Louisiana at Monroe (CIP Code 52.0701), with the stipulation that any proposal forthcoming as a result of this Letter of Intent shall include the results of a needs assessment survey which indicates both substantial employer demand and student interest.

STAFF REPORT ON CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PROGRAM - LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER/UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT LAFAYETTE - JOINT B.S. IN DENTAL HYGIENE

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to receive progress reports from the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center/University of Louisiana at Lafayette dated November 9, 1999 and February 21,

2000 relative to fulfillment of stipulation #2 in the motion for conditional approval for the joint B.S. program in Dental Hygiene, as passed by the Board of Regents on June 24, 1999. This program shall remain conditionally approved until June 1, 2001. By that date, the LSUHSC/ULL shall submit to the Commissioner of Higher Education a subsequent progress report which adequately addresses the Regents' requirement for development of a new, privately-funded, clinical facility for the program.

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MARCH 22, 2000

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Report of March 22, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT OF MARCH 22, 2000

On behalf of Regent Rambin, Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee,

Mr. Marvin Roubique, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Facilities and Property,

presented motions from the Facilities and Property Committee Report of March 22, 2000.

AMENDMENTS TO CAPITAL OUTLAY RECOMMENDATION FOR FY 2000-01

On motion of Regent Rambin, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend the FY 2000-2001 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include \$120,000 for the acquisition of ten acres of land for the Louisiana Technical College-Northwest campus as project #25 in the New Category.

On motion of Regent Rambin, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend the FY 2000-2001 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include the land acquisition project for Nicholls State University as a substitution for Project #23 - Beauregard Hall Renovation, at a purchase cost not to exceed \$7,500,000, provided that if the project is abandoned, the renovation of Beauregard Hall will be reinstated.

On motion of Regent Rambin, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend the FY 2000-2001 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include \$1,500,000 for Louisiana Tech for the Trenchless Technology Engineering Building addition as project #24 in the New Category, if Louisiana Tech receives the grant from the National Science Foundation.

On motion of Regent Rambin, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to amend the FY 2000-2001 Capital Outlay Recommendation to include \$684,000 for the correction of the brick problem at Pottle Hall on the campus of Southeastern Louisiana University. This project would be Project #22 in the Emergency Category.

PROJECTS UTILIZING ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF FINANCING

On motion of Regent Rambin, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to grant Southeastern Louisiana University permission to proceed with the planning for Phase II Apartments. Southeastern should seek final approval of the project from the Board of Regents before the sale of any bonds.

CAPITAL PROJECTS COSTING LESS THAN \$350,000

Pennington Biomedical Research Center

Renovation of Existing Medical Records Area in Clinic Building

\$117,400 Pennington Medical Foundation

On motion of Regent Rambin, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee to approve the project.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MARCH 22, 2000

On motion of Regent Rambin, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property Committee Meeting Report of March 22, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MARCH 22, 2000

On behalf of Regent Strong, Vice-Chair of the Planning, Research and Performance

Committee, Dr. Jimmy Clarke, Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research and

Performance presented motions from the Planning, Research and Performance Committee

Report of March 22, 2000.

PROPRIETARY SCHOOL AREA

A. Initial License

1. Training Connection, Inc.- New Orleans

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial operating license for the Training Connections, Inc. located in New Orleans, Louisiana.

2. Urban League Technology Center - New Orleans

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial operating license for the Urban League Technology Center, located in New Orleans, Louisiana.

3. Williams Career College - Lake Charles

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve an initial operating license for Williams Career College, located in Lake Charles, Louisiana.

B. Change-of-Ownership

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve a change-of-ownership

for Blue Cliff School of Therapeutic Massage, located in Kenner and Shreveport, Louisiana.

C. Associate of Occupational Studies Program

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Ramin, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve the addition of Associate in Occupational Studies degree programs in Accounting, Medical Assistant, and Paralegal at Career Training Specialists, located in Monroe, Louisiana.

D. License Renewals

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to renew the licenses of the following proprietary schools:

Coastal College, Hammond, LA
Coastal College, Monroe, LA
Domestic Health Care Institute, Baton Rouge, LA
Dryades YMCA School of Commerce, New Orleans, LA
Metropolitan School of Mortgage Finance and Paralegal Careers, Baton Rouge, LA
Nashville Auto-Diesel College, Nashville, TN

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve renewal of the operating license for the Culinary Institute of New Orleans.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Ramin, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve renewal of the operating license for the Creative Floral Design School of New Orleans with the stipulation that the institution submit to the Board of Regents semiannually a compiled financial statement, beginning in June, 2000.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Ramin, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to approve renewal of the operating license for Res-Q-Me Aides Training Center of Paincourtville, with the stipulation that the institution submit to the Board of Regents semiannually a compiled financial statement, beginning in June, 2000.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to inform New Horizon Computer Learning Centers, located in Baton Rouge, Lafayette, New Orleans, and

Shreveport that the institutions must continue to teach out currently enrolled students. However, no additional students can be either recruited or enrolled in programs considered proprietary in nature until the campuses receive an operating license from the Board of Regents.

ACADEMIC DEGREE-GRANTING INSTITUTIONS LICENSURE

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to issue an operating license for the University of St. Francis to offer the B.S. program in Health Arts and the Masters program in Health Services Administration in Baton Rouge, Lafayette and Metairie.

OTHER BUSINESS

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Rambin, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee to adopt the proposed Board of Regents' Administrative Salary Policy Guidelines. (Attachment A)

PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MARCH 22, 2000

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance Committee Meeting Report of March 22, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE REPORT OF MARCH 22, 2000

On behalf of Regent Abbott, Chair of the Legislation Committee, Commissioner Savoie presented motions from the Legislation Committee Report of March 22, 2000.

On motion of Regent Abbott, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Legislation Committee to support HB 124 and SB 72.

On motion of Regent Abbott, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Legislation Committee that in keeping with traditional practice, the staff, in consultation with the Chairman of the Board, the Chairman of the Legislation Committee and the Commissioner of Higher Education, be given the latitude to respond to the various changes that may be offered to the bills concerning higher education before the

next meeting of the Legislation Committee, in a manner consistent with the interests of higher education and in keeping with the Board's historically stated positions.

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF MARCH 22, 2000

On motion of Regent Abbott, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Legislation Committee Meeting Report of March 22, 2000, as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie referred Board members to Trends & Statistics, The 2000

Accountability Report. He thanked the staff of the Planning, Research and Performance Division

and gave special thanks to Dr. Lisa Smith-Vosper, Director of Policy Analysis, for her hard work. He continued by informing members of the death of the mother of Mr. Donald Vandal, Deputy for Administration.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Sanders declared the

meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m.