MINUTES
BOARD OF REGENTS

December 11, 2017

The Board of Regents met in session at 3:45 p.m. on Monday, December 11, 2017, in the Thomas Jefferson Room 1-136, Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Richard Lipsey called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Executive Assistant Carolyn Blanchard called the roll, and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:
Richard Lipsey, Chair
Claudia Adley
Blake David
Thomas Henning
Robert Levy
Roy Martin III
Darren Mire
Sonia Pérez
Wilbert Pryor
Jay Seale III
Collis Temple III
Adarian Williams

Absent from the meeting were:
Marty Chabert, Secretary
Edward Markle, Vice Chair
Charles McDonald
Jacqueline Wyatt

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Lipsey noted that no written requests were received for public comments and asked whether the audience had any comments at the time. There were none.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 26, 2017

On motion of Regent David, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of October 26, 2017.
REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Chair Lipsey inquired if any member of the Board wanted to take up any of the committee reports separately before a motion was made to accept all reports.

Regent Henning made a motion to take up separately the item regarding Grambling State University’s Letter of Intent for a Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity on the Academic and Students Affairs Committee. He moved that the Letter of Intent be disapproved. Lacking a second, the motion failed.

On motion of Regent Martin, seconded by Regent Levy, the Board voted unanimously to approve all Committee recommendations from the December 11, 2017 Committee meetings.

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

A. Letter of Intent (Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity at Grambling State University)

Approve the Letter of Intent to develop a proposal for a Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity at Grambling State University.

B. Academic Proposals
   1. B.A. in World Religions at Louisiana State University at Alexandria
   2. Graduate Certificate in Veterinary Medical and Biomedical Sciences at Louisiana State University and A&M College
   3. Ph.D. in Biological Engineering at Louisiana State University and A&M College

Conditionally approve the (1) Bachelor of Arts in World Religions (CIP 38.0201) at Louisiana State University at Alexandria; (2) GC in Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences (CIP 51.2501) at Louisiana State University and A&M College; and Ph.D. in Biological Engineering (CIP 14.4501) at Louisiana State University and A&M College. Progress reports shall be due by December 29, 2019.

NEW RESEARCH CENTER

A. Social Research and Evaluation Center (SREC) at Louisiana State University and A&M College
Full approval of the Social Research and Evaluation Center (SREC) at Louisiana State University and A&M College, with a progress report and request for continued authorization due by December 1, 2022.

PROPOSED ACADEMIC AFFAIRS POLICIES

A. New Policy AA 2.22 – *Minimum Requirements for Dual Enrollment*

Approve the proposed Academic Affairs Policy 2.22, *Minimum Requirements for Dual Enrollment*, effective for Fall 2018, authorizing staff to update the Placement Score table as needed.

B. Revisions to AA 2.18 – *Minimum Requirements for Entry-Level, College-Level Mathematics and English*

Approve the proposed revisions to Academic Affairs Policy 2.18, *Minimum Requirements for Entry-Level, College-Level Mathematics and English*, effective for Summer 2018, authorizing staff to update the Placement Score table as needed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the items on the Consent Agenda as listed below:

A. Program Termination (B.F.A. in Fine Arts at Louisiana State University at Shreveport)
B. Routine Staff Reports
   • Staff Approvals
   • Progress Reports for Conditionally Approved Programs/Units
   • Letters of Intent/Proposals in the Queue

PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the items on the Consent Agenda as listed below:

A. R.S. 17:1808 (Licensure)
   1. Initial License
      a. Liberty University
   2. License Renewal
      a. Columbia University Teachers College
B. Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission
   1. Initial License
      a. Advanced Welding School, LLC
   2. License Renewals
      a. Academy of Interactive Entertainment (09/22/10)
      b. Acadiana Area Career College--A Division of Blue Cliff College (09/28/12)
c. Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy (Houma) (09/24/15)
d. Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy (Mandeville) (09/24/15)
e. Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy (Metairie) (09/24/15)
f. Ayers Career College (10/25/90)
g. BARBRI of Louisiana – New Orleans (Loyola) (09/24/15)
h. Baton Rouge Dental Assistant Institute (09/22/16)
i. Becker Professional Education—New Orleans (10/24/96)
j. The Captain School, LLC (09/22/11)
k. Coastal College—Baton Rouge (09/28/00)
l. Coastal Truck Driving School of New Orleans (09/25/14)
m. Compass Career College (09/23/04)

n. Crosby Court Reporting Center (10/28/93)
o. Delta College, Inc. (10/26/95)
p. Delta College, Slidell Branch (09/23/04)
q. Dental Assisting Academy of Louisiana (09/25/14)
r. Diesel Driving Academy—Shreveport (06/21/73)
s. Eastern College of Health Vocations (10/28/99)
t. Honoré School for Dental Assisting (09/24/15)
u. McCann School of Business and Technology (09/28/06)
v. Mia’s Medical Academy, LLC (09/25/14)
w. New Orleans Dental Assistant School (09/22/16)
x. Nursing Assistant Network Association (10/27/94)
y. Pelican Chapter, Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc., Training Center—Baton Rouge Campus

z. Pelican Chapter, Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc., Training Center—Southwest Campus (09/27/12)

aa. Saint Agatha Career School, LLC (09/22/11)
bb. Shreveport Dental Assistant School (09/22/16)
c. Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology (09/26/13)
dd. Thomas Training & Development Center, Inc. (10/27/95)

e. Unitech Training Academy—Baton Rouge (09/2/16)
ff. Unitech Training Academy—West Monroe (09/23/04)
gg. The World’s Only Tattoo School, LLC (09/27/07)

AFFORDABLE LEARNING LOUISIANA PLAN

Adopt the Affordable Learning Louisiana Plan.

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

BoRSF PLAN AND BUDGET, FY 2018-19

Direct the staff to send a letter to the Treasury requesting that $6 million in unrealized capital gains be generated as soon as possible, and divided equally between the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) and the Board of Regents to offset revenue losses to the Board of Regents Support Fund and BESE’s 8(g) Grants program.
Direct the staff to send a letter to the Treasury requesting that the Treasury pursue statutory changes to align, within the bounds of prudence, investment restrictions on the Louisiana Education Quality Trust Fund (LEQTF) with current markets and trends, to enable realization of higher revenues for expenditure by BESE’s PK-12 and the Board of Regents’ higher education programs.

Approve the FY 2018-2019 Board of Regents Support Fund Budget, with contingencies, as presented.

REDIRECTION OF MASTER PLAN RESEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Approve the replacement of the Master Plan Research Advisory Committee with the Advisory Committee for the Advancement of Research in Louisiana (ACARL). The Committee shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Board of Regents on matters related to university-based research and development in Louisiana.

STATEWIDE PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the items on the Consent Agenda as listed below:

A. Approvals of Exceptions

Ratify Requests for Exception to the TOPS regulatory provisions that require students to remain continuously enrolled and to earn the annual credit hours required during the academic year.

B. Approval of Exception – Documentation for TOPS Eligibility Deadline

Ratify Request for Exception to the TOPS regulatory provision that requires a student to provide all documentation to establish TOPS eligibility no later than the January 15 immediately following the final deadline for receipt of the student’s FAFSA.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

NOMINATION OF BOARD OFFICERS FOR 2018 (CHAIR, VICE CHAIR AND SECRETARY)

Approve the nomination of the following Board Officers for 2018:

- Regent Robert Levy as Chair
- Regent Marty Chabert as Vice Chair
- Regent Collis Temple III as Secretary
NOMINATION OF FOUR NON-OFFICER MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR 2018

Approve the nomination of the following four non-officers to serve on the Executive Committee for 2018:
- Regent Claudia Adley
- Regent Thomas Henning
- Regent Richard Lipsey
- Regent Edward Markle

SEARCH COMMITTEE

UPDATE ON THE COMMISSIONER’S SEARCH

Informational items were shared during the Committee meeting regarding the timeline for the search for a new Commissioner of Higher Education. No actions were taken.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EVALUATION PROCESS FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Approve the annual evaluation of Commissioner of Higher Education Joseph C. Rallo.

UPDATE ON CAMPUS SAFETY MATTERS

Informational items were shared during the Committee meeting regarding arrangements for a campus safety workshop to be held on February 20, 2018, at Pennington Conference Center in Baton Rouge.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Commissioner of Higher Education Joseph C. Rallo commented that he would be participating in regional discussions in Shreveport on December 14, 2017, and in Monroe on December 15, 2017. He said these discussions would engage stakeholders to determine how to continue to improve the postsecondary education enterprise.

Dr. Rallo also stated that he is the commencement speaker at SOWELA Technical Community College in Lake Charles on Monday, December 18, 2017.
OTHER BUSINESS

- Recognition of Regent Roy O. Martin, III, whose term expires December 31, 2017. Regent Martin has served diligently on the board for the past six years. Many accolades were mentioned, but it was summed up best by saying that Regent Martin’s impact on this Board has been tremendous. A plaque was presented to Mr. Martin.

- The next meeting will be held on January 8, 2018.

- Holiday greetings to you and your families.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:56 p.m.