MINUTES

BOARD OF REGENTS

May 23, 2018

The Board of Regents met in session at 12:16 p.m., Wednesday, May 23, 2018, in the Louisiana Purchase Room 1-100, Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Robert Levy called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

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

Present for the meeting were:
Robert Levy, Chair
Marty Chabert, Vice Chair
Blake David
Randy Ewing
Richard Lipsey
Charles McDonald
Darren Mire
Sonia Pérez
Wilbert Pryor
Jay Seale III

Absent from the meeting were:
Collis Temple III, Secretary
Claudia Adley
Edward Markle
Adarian Williams
Jacqueline Wyatt

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Levy 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 APRIL 18, 2018

On motion of Regent Chabert, seconded by Regent Pérez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of April 18, 2018.
CHAIRMAN’S COMMENTS

Chair Levy noted that Louisiana is ranked 49th in educational attainment. He next shared a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation with the Board regarding public higher education institutions covering enrollment, retention, completers, and graduation rates by systems and institutions.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Chair Levy 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. There were no requests.

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent McDonald, the Board voted unanimously to approve all Committee recommendations from the May 23, 2018 Committee meetings.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

PRESENTATION OF THE INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER BY POSTLETHWAITE AND NETTERVILLE

No action was taken during the Audit Committee. Representatives from Postlethwaite and Netterville presented a PowerPoint to the Board explaining the establishment of an internal audit function that adheres to the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing (Standards). In June, the Internal Audit Charter will be brought before the Board for approval.

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

A. Letter of Intent
   1. B.S. in Accounting at Louisiana State University at Alexandria
   2. B.S. in Kinesiology at Louisiana State University at Alexandria

Approve the Letters of Intent to develop program proposals for:

- B.S. in Accounting at Louisiana State University at Alexandria
- B.S. in Kinesiology at Louisiana State University at Alexandria

3. Master of Engineering in Systems Engineering (MESE) – University of New Orleans
4. Master of Music Education (MME) – University of Louisiana at Monroe
5. Master of Science in Cyber Security & Operations – University of New Orleans
Approve the Letters of Intent to develop program proposals for:

- Master of Engineering in Systems Engineering at the University of New Orleans
- Master of Music Education in Music Education at the University of Louisiana at Monroe
- Master of Science in Cyber Security and Operations at the University of New Orleans

B. Academic Proposals
   1. A.A.S. in Criminal Justice at Louisiana Delta Community College
   2. A.A.S. in Medical Laboratory Technician at Fletcher Technical Community College

Conditionally approve the following proposed programs with progress reports due by June 1, 2019:

- A.A.S. in Criminal Justice (CIP 43.0104) at Louisiana Delta Community College, and
- A.A.S. in Medical Laboratory Technician (CIP 51.1004) at Fletcher Technical Community College

3. Graduate Certificate in Business Administration at Louisiana Tech University

Conditionally approve the proposed G.C. in Business Administration (CIP 52.0201) at Louisiana Tech University with a progress report due by June 1, 2019.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS 2.22 REVISION (ALTERNATE DUAL ENROLLMENT ELIGIBILITY INSTRUMENT: MEASURES OF ACADEMIC PROGRESS (MAP)

Approve the addition of Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) tests for dual enrollment eligibility in Academic Affairs Policy 2.22.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the items on the Consent Agenda as listed below:

A. Program Changes/Restructuring
   1. Associate of General Studies at SOWELA Technical Community College
   2. M.S. and Ph.D. in Leadership and Human Resource Development at Louisiana State University and A&M College

B. Statewide Master Articulation Matrix, 2018-2019

C. Routine Staff Reports
   1. Staff Approvals
   2. Progress Reports for Conditionally Approved Programs/Units
   3. Letters of Intent/Proposals in the Queue
CONSENT AGENDA: SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT

Approve the items on the Consent Agenda as listed below:

1. GSU: Carver Hall Science Lab & Associated Roof Repairs
2. GSU: Criminal Justice Building Renovations
3. GSU: School of Nursing Auditorium Renovation
4. LSU Ag Center: Audubon Sugar Institute Roof Replacement
5. LSU Ag Center: Rice Mill Equipment Installation (LSU H. Rouse Caffey Research Station)
6. LSU A&M: Dodson Hall HVAC Replacement
7. LSU A&M: Natatorium Toilet Suite Renovations (Budget Increase)
8. LSU A&M: Open Jet Facility (Old River Model Building) Addition
9. LSU HSC-NO: Seton Building 2nd Floor Office Renovation
10. LSU HSC-S: Medical School Educational Space Renovations Phase II
11. LSU-S: H&PE Roof Replacement
13. NSU: New Stadium Seating & Press Box – Track Complex
14. NSU: Replace/Overlay Caspari Drive
15. NSU: Teacher Education Center Elevator Installation
16. NSU: Turpin Stadium New Elevator Installation
17. RPCC-Reserve Campus: Roofing & Wall Coating Project
18. SELU: University Housing Painting Project

CONSENT AGENDA: THIRD PARTY PROJECTS REPORT

Approve the item on the Consent Agenda as listed below:

1. LSU A&M: Renovation and Expansion of Alex Box Batting Cage Facility with private donations (TAF) in the amount of $2,000,000.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

2018 REGULAR SESSION RECAP

A. Bills Directly Impacting Board of Regents and Higher Education
B. Resolutions Impacting Higher Education

This report was for informational purposes only.

STATEWIDE PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the Consent Agenda item as noted below:

Approval 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.
SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

FY 2017-2018 SUPPLEMENTARY ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIPS FUNDING: SOWELA TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Approve the allocation of $40,000 from unobligated monies from previous years’ earnings in the Board of Regents Support Fund to establish the American Press Foundation Endowed Professorship at SOWELA Technical Community College during fiscal year 2017-18.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the Consent Agenda items as noted below:

UL Lafayette request to consolidate the Jeanne Brauns-Oudenhoven/BORSF Eminent Scholar Chair in Entrepreneurship and the Frem F. Boustany, Sr./BORSF Endowed Chair in Business Administration into a single $2 million Chair, named the Jeanne Brauns-Oudenhoven and Frem F. Boustany, Sr./BORSF Endowed Chair in Business Administration.

Conversions of matched endowments as follows:

- LSU A&M: The Ourso Distinguished Chair in Accounting into two Professorships, each with a corpus value of $500,000;
- LSU A&M: The Ourso Distinguished Chair in Management into two Professorships, each with a corpus value of $500,000; and
- SOWELA TCC: The Howell Industries First-Generation Endowed Scholarship to an Endowed Two-Year Workforce Scholarship with a corpus value of $50,000.

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. United States University, Inc.
   2. License Renewals
      a. Embry Riddle Aeronautical University
      b. Southwest University
      c. Upper Iowa University

B. State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) Institutional Renewals
   1. Grambling State University
   2. Louisiana State University at Eunice
   3. Louisiana State University at Shreveport
   4. Loyola University
   5. New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
C. Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission
   1. Initial Licenses
      a. A Breath Away, LLC
      b. Accelerated Dental Assisting Academy (Prairieville)
      c. Integrated Education Solutions, LLC
      d. Precision Weld Testing and Training, LLC
   2. Change of Ownership Application
      a. McCann School of Business and Technology
   3. License Renewals
      a. Academy of Acadiana, Inc. (03/22/06)
      b. Aesthetic Laser Institute, LLC (03/23/16)
      c. At-Home Professions (04/22/99)
      d. Baton Rouge Dental Assistant Academy (03/26/14)
      e. Blue Cliff College—Houma (03/24/05)
      f. Blue Cliff College—Metairie (03/23/00)
      g. Blue Cliff College—Metairie, Satellite Campus (03/23/11)
      h. Coastal College—Lafayette (04/23/98)
      i. Coastal College—Monroe (03/28/96)
      j. Delta College of Arts and Technology—Lafayette Branch (03/24/05)
      k. Delta School of Business and Technology (05/06/80)
      l. Goodwill Industries of Southeastern Louisiana, Inc. (03/25/15)
      m. Healthcare & More of NELA, LLC (formerly Healthcare and More (03/21/12)
      n. Lenora School of Phlebotomy (04/28/94)
      o. Louisiana Culinary Institute (03/27/13)
      p. Louisiana Medical Certifications, LLC (03/23/16)
      q. Mid City College (03/25/15)
      r. Pet Grooming Academy of Louisiana (03/21/12)
      s. Raymond Career College (03/26/14)
      t. Saint Christopher College (03/20/17)
      u. Southeast Academy of Dental Assisting (03/20/17)
      v. Tulsa Welding School & Technology Center (03/25/15)
      w. Unitech Training Academy (04/24/97)
      x. Unitech Training Academy—Houma (03/22/06)
      y. Universal Technical Institute—Florida Branch (04/23/98)
      z. Universal Technical Institute of Texas, Inc. (04/03/85)
      aa. Workforce Career & Technical College (03/23/16)

R.S. 17:1808 (LICENSURE)

A. Initial License
   1. Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine

Approve an initial three-year operating license for a branch campus of Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine (VCOM) in Monroe, Louisiana, with the following stipulations:

1. By July 2018, VCOM will submit a Substantive Change Request for the Monroe Branch campus of VCOM to the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA).
2. By September 2018, VCOM will begin construction of its campus.
3. By November 2019, COCA will conduct pre-operations site visit to VCOM in Monroe.
4. By January 2020, VCOM will present accreditation application to COCA.
5. By June 2020, VCOM will begin recruitment of incoming class
6. By July 2021, VCOM will begin classes

If VCOM fails to meet any of the prescribed deadlines, the Board of Regents may revoke its operating license.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
BY THE SENIOR ADVISOR

Senior Advisor Joseph C. Rallo thanked the Board for its support over the last three and a half years as well as thanked the staff for its incredible work under less than optimal conditions for higher education.

Dr. Rallo said the Governor's Office has requested all higher education stakeholders make it a priority to be present at the Capitol today at 2:00 p.m. He said the Governor has designated the day as “Higher Education Day.”

RECOGNITION OF DR. JOSEPH C. RALLO, SENIOR ADVISOR

Chair Levy recognized the stellar service of Dr. Joseph C. Rallo to the Board and the state for the past three and one-half years. He said the state and Louisiana higher education are better because of his work. Next Chair Levy reviewed some of the highlights of Dr. Rallo’s tenure at the Board of Regents.

- Created an aspirational message — Elevate Louisiana:
  -working with stakeholders and Deloitte, developed long term goals for higher education and innovation in the state.

- Developed a statewide ‘foot print’ for the Board of Regents:
  -integrated LUMCON, LOSFA, LOUIS, LONI and LaCASU under the Board’s leadership thereby emphasizing its broad mandate and responsibility for a multitude of critical programs.

- Emphasized the need to enhance the rigor of high school preparation for career or college:
  -developed BOR policies to minimize the need for remediation for high school graduates.
  -tightened requirements for faculty to teach dual credit classes to high school students.

- Initiated the Affordable Learning Initiative to directly benefit college students:
  -supported the initiation, development and implementation of a program to replace expensive text books with less costly but still rigorous open-source materials.

- Developed an intentional outreach program to stakeholders throughout the state:
  -made multiple, regular and repeated visits around the state to share the Board’s message, solicit support from business, community groups and university faculty/leaders on behalf of higher education.
• Invigorated the forgotten potential of LUMCON as a statewide research/teaching resource:
  - commissioned a business study, hired a new director and provided the financial resources to
    allow this singular maritime resource to become an asset for all the universities in the state.

• Stemmed the continuous erosion of state funding for higher education:
  - served as a visible, vocal and powerful voice for all of higher education, especially when dealing
    with the legislative and executive branches of state government.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Levy offered comments regarding:

• Recognition of current student Board member Mr. Adarian Williams. He said that Mr. Williams
  is currently serving two internships in Washington, D.C. Chair Levy noted that Mr. Williams has
  been an exemplary Board member.

• Recognition of new student Board member, Mr. Anthony Kenney from Southern University and
  A&M College, whose term begins June 1, 2018. Mr. Kenney said he looks forward to working
  with the Board of Regents during the upcoming year.

• Recognition of Mr. Matt Adams and Dr. Nikki Godfrey for completing their year-long intensive
  program, Leadership Baton Rouge, sponsored by the Baton Rouge Area Chamber. The
  graduation ceremony will be held on June 5, 2018.

• Congratulations to Dr. Nikki Godfrey on her recent graduation from Louisiana State University
  and A&M College with a Ph.D. in Educational Research and Counseling with a concentration in
  Higher Education Administration.

• Noted that the next regularly scheduled Board of Regents’ meeting is Wednesday, June 20, 2018.
  The joint BoR/BESE meeting will be held this day as well.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at
12:53 p.m.