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AGENDA
SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 20, 2018

11:00 a.m.

The Claiborne Building
Thomas Jefferson Room, 1-136 A&B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Consent Agenda
 - A. Appointment of Endowed Chairholders without National Search
 1. Loyola University New Orleans
 2. University of Louisiana at Lafayette
- IV. Other Business
 - A. Louisiana STEM Advisory Council
 - B. Advisory Committee for the Advancement of Research in Louisiana: Process for Identifying Nominees for National Boards and Commissions
- V. Adjournment

Committee Members: Edward Markle, Chair; Marty Chabert; Charles McDonald; Darren Mire; Sonia Pérez; T. Jay Seale III; Anthony Kenney

AGENDA ITEM III.A.

Appointment of Endowed Chairholders without National Search

- 1. Loyola University New Orleans**
- 2. University of Louisiana at Lafayette**

Background Information

At its January 12, 2015 meeting, the Board unanimously approved the following revision to the Endowed Chairs for Eminent Scholars policy:

Effective immediately, all campuses shall provide documentation to the Commissioner of Higher Education that each Chair vacancy is being filled – whether externally or internally – following a national search. Any request for waiver of this policy shall be made in writing to the Commissioner of Higher Education and reviewed by external consultants. Upon receipt of the consultants' response, the Commissioner will provide a formal recommendation for consideration and approval by the Board of Regents. Board approval of the waiver must be provided prior to appointment of the chairholder. The Board reserves the right to render a campus not in compliance with this policy to be ineligible for new Endowed Chairs funds.

Staff Summary

1. Loyola University New Orleans

The Gerald N. Gaston Eminent Scholar Chair in International Business, matched by the Board of Regents Support Fund in FY 2000-01, was recently vacated by Dr. William Locander; the Hilton/Baldrige Eminent Scholar Chair in Music Industry Studies was matched by the Board in FY 1999-2000 and has been vacant since 2015.

In accordance with current policy, Loyola University New Orleans has requested waiver of the Endowed Chairs national search requirement to appoint Dr. Michelle K. Johnston, Professor of Management, to the Gaston Chair, and Mr. Sanford Hinderlie, Professor of Music, to the Hilton/Baldrige Chair. These faculty members' qualifications were reviewed and determined to be appropriate to requirements outlined in the Endowed Chairs program policy.

Senior Staff Recommendation

The Senior Staff recommends approval of Loyola University New Orleans's request to appoint Dr. Michelle K. Johnston, Professor of Management, to the Gerald N. Gaston Eminent Scholar Chair in International Business and Mr. Sanford Hinderlie, Professor of Music, to the Hilton/Baldrige Eminent Scholar Chair in Music Industry Studies without a national search. As stipulated in Board policy, Letters of Appointment to Dr. Johnston and Professor Hinderlie must be submitted to the Board within 90 days of this approval.

2. University of Louisiana at Lafayette

The Bioprocess Engineering Eminent Scholar/BoRSF Chair in Chemical Engineering is a \$2 million Chair established in October 2017 through consolidation of two \$1 million endowments matched in 1991-92 and 2016-17. In accordance with current policy, UL Lafayette has requested waiver of the Endowed Chairs national search requirement to appoint Dr. Mark Zappi, Dean of Engineering, to the Bioprocess Engineering Chair. Dr. Zappi's qualifications were reviewed and determined to be appropriate to requirements outlined in the Endowed Chairs program policy.

Senior Staff Recommendation

The Senior Staff recommends approval of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request to appoint Dr. Mark Zappi to the Bioprocess Engineering Eminent Scholar/BoRSF Chair in Chemical Engineering without a national search. As stipulated in Board policy, the Letter of Appointment to Dr. Zappi must be submitted to the Board within 90 days of this approval.