

# FINAL MINUTES

## BOARD OF REGENTS

March 27, 2019

The Board of Regents met in session at 2:40 p.m. on Wednesday, March 27, 2019, in the Louisiana Purchase Room, Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Chair Marty Chabert called the meeting to order.

### ROLL CALL

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

#### Present for the meeting were:

Marty Chabert, Chair  
Collis Temple III, Vice Chair  
Blake David, Secretary  
Randy Ewing  
Anthony Kenney, Jr.  
Charles McDonald  
Darren Mire  
Sonia Pérez  
Wilbert Pryor  
Jay Seale III  
Gary Solomon, Jr.  
Felix Weill

#### Absent from the meeting were:

Claudia Adley  
Robert Levy  
Gerald Theunissen  
Jacqueline Wyatt

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Chabert 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 FEBRUARY 27, 2019

**On motion of Regent McDonald, seconded by Regent Weill, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of February 27, 2019.**

## REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Chair Chabert 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.

**On motion of Regent Temple, seconded by Regent Mire, the Board voted unanimously to approve all Committee recommendations from the March 27, 2019 Committee meetings with amendments to be made to the Consent Agenda Item Part B “Approval of Rulemaking – Scholarship and Grant Program” in the Statewide Programs Committee. The paternal language will be rewritten and reviewed at the request of Regent Solomon before the publication of Notice of Intent.**

## ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

### CONSENT AGENDA

**Approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented.**

- A. Routine Staff Reports
  - 1. Staff Approvals
  - 2. Progress Reports for Conditionally Approved Programs/Units
  - 3. Letters of Intent/Proposals in the Queue

### ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

- 1. Program Proposal: MME in Music Education at the University of Louisiana at Monroe

**Conditionally approve the proposed Master of Music Education (MME) in Music Education (CIP 13.1312) at the University of Louisiana at Monroe. A progress report will be due by September 10, 2021.**

## FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

### CONSENT AGENDA

**Approve the Consent Agenda (small capital projects report and 3<sup>rd</sup> party project report) as presented.**

- A. Small Capital Projects Report
  - 1. Louisiana State University and A&M College: Pleasant Hall Renovations for a total cost of \$608,000 (Budget Increase)
  - 2. Louisiana State University at Eunice: Acadian Center Kitchen Renovation for a total cost of \$456,896 (Auxiliary Revenues)
  - 3. River Parishes Community College-Reserve: Welding Center Renovation for a total cost of \$975,000 (Grant Funding/Tuition and Fee Revenues)

B. 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Projects Report

1. University of Louisiana at Monroe: New golf facility for a total cost of \$300,000  
(Student Fee Revenues)

ACT 959 PROJECT: LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND A&M COLLEGE INNOVATION  
PARK ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS

**Approve the Act 959 project submitted by the Louisiana State University Board of Supervisors, on behalf of Louisiana State University and A&M College, to construct roadway improvements at the Innovation Park.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE FY 2019-2020 PRELIMINARY FUNDING  
RECOMMENDATIONS

**Approve the preliminary funding recommendation for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.**

**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

2019 REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION OVERVIEW

- A. 2019 Session Calendar
- B. Board of Regents' Bills
- C. Bills Impacting Board of Regents and Higher Education

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE 2019 REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION

**Authorize the Commissioner of Higher Education and the Chairman of the Board to pursue the Board of Regents' legislative agenda and act on behalf of the Board on legislative issues that may arise during the 2019 Regular Session.**

**STATEWIDE PROGRAMS COMMITTEE**

CONSENT AGENDA

**Approve Parts A and C of the Consent Agenda items as listed below with conditional approval to Part B subject to amendments regarding the paternal language be rewritten, reviewed and accepted by Regent Solomon before the publication of Notice of Intent.**

- A. Approval of Final Rulemaking – Chafee Educational Training and Voucher Program
- B. Approval of Rulemaking – Scholarship and Grant Program
- C. Approval of TOPS Exceptions

## PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

Approve the Consent Agenda items as listed below.

### CONSENT AGENDA

- A. **R.S. 17:1808 (Licensure)**
  - 1. **License Renewal**
    - a. **Nova Southeastern University**
- B. **State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) Institutional Renewals**
  - 1. **Louisiana State University at Alexandria**
  - 2. **Nations University**
  - 3. **Southern University and A&M College**
  - 4. **University of Louisiana at Lafayette**
  - 5. **University of Louisiana at Monroe**
- C. **Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission**
  - 1. **Initial License**
    - a. **CDL Mentors, LLC**
  - 2. **Associate in Occupational Studies Degree in Business Management and Ownership**
    - a. **Delta College of Arts and Technology (Baton Rouge Campus)**
  - 3. **Renewal Applications**
    - a. **Baton Rouge School of Court Reporting (01/26/06)**
    - b. **Becker Professional Education Online (01/09/17)**
    - c. **Beso Beauty, LLC (01/09/17)**
    - d. **Blue Cliff College – Lafayette (01/27/00)**
    - e. **Carter’s Career Center, LLC (02/22/18)**
    - f. **Coastal College – Hammond (02/23/89)**
    - g. **Dryades YMCA School of Commerce (02/27/97)**
    - h. **Feliciana Medical Training Academy (02/23/15)**
    - i. **Gonzales Medical Assistant School (01/09/17)**
    - j. **Griff’s Marine Training, Inc. (01/27/10)**
    - k. **ITI Technical College (01/27/00)**
    - l. **Louisiana Dental Assistant School, LLC (01/27/05)**
    - m. **Louisiana Dental Institute, LLC (02/21/18)**
    - n. **Peach Tree School of Dental Assisting (01/09/17)**
    - o. **Rosemond School of Phlebotomy (02/22/16)**
    - p. **Southwest Dental Academy, LLC (01/25/12)**
    - q. **Tulsa Welding School – Jacksonville Campus (01/27/10)**

## AUDIT COMMITTEE

### DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED YEAR 2 INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN

Approve the Internal Audit Plan for contract year two.

### OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Louisiana Legislative Auditor’s Management Letter for FY Ended June 30, 2018

Approve the Louisiana Legislative Auditor’s audit report issued on March 25, 2019.

## REVENUE ESTIMATING CONFERENCE

Chair Chabert said the Board of Regents is statutorily required to assist in the selection of a faculty member with revenue estimating expertise to serve on the Revenue Estimating Conference (REC). The REC is composed of four principal members: the Governor, or his designee; President of the Senate, or his designee; Speaker of the House of Representatives, or his designee; and a faculty member of a university or college in Louisiana who has expertise in forecasting revenue.

The principal with the revenue forecasting expertise is selected by the other three principals from a list submitted by BoR in consultation with the Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (LAICU). The list must have a minimum of three and a maximum of five names of faculty members in Louisiana with the required expertise.

The REC's current economist principal, Louisiana State University's Dr. James Richardson, is retiring in June 2019. After seeking input and nominations as required by law from LAICU and the four university system presidents, it is recommended that the Board submit the following list of Louisiana faculty members with revenue forecasting expertise for consideration to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate, in accordance with La. R.S. 39:22.

- (1) Dr. Stephen R. Barnes, Louisiana State University
- (2) Dr. Gregory B. Upton, Jr., Louisiana State University
- (3) Dr. Gary A. Wagner, University of Louisiana at Lafayette

**Approve the nominations and submittal of the following list of Louisiana faculty members with revenue forecasting expertise to the Governor, Speaker of the House, and President of the Senate: (1) Dr. Stephen R. Barnes, Louisiana State University, (2) Dr. Gregory B. Upton, Jr., Louisiana State University, and (3) Dr. Gary A. Wagner, University of Louisiana at Lafayette**

Regent Ewing requested that the Board of Regents send a letter of commendation to Dr. Jim Richardson for his years of dedicated work on the Revenue Estimating Conference.

## CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

- Visited with the Council of Student Body Presidents earlier this month at River Parishes Community College. Commissioner Jay Dardenne spoke at the meeting. Thanks to Harold Boutte and Nikki Godfrey for arranging the meeting.
- Thanked the staff for their hard work in preparation for the upcoming session.

## REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY DR. KIM HUNTER REED, COMMISSIONER

Commissioner Reed focused on recent meetings and events including:

- Our office service project last month focused on literacy. The staff donated hundreds of gently used or new books to 4 schools. Additionally 15 staff members from LOSFA and Regents read our favorite children's books to students on site.
- Lunch and Learn this month was hosted by our Welcome team – with a member appointed from each division. They unveiled our new staff on-boarding process. Now new hires will be oriented to our work, our culture and our environment in a very intentional and professional manner.
- The Louisiana Association of Women in Higher Education's (LAWHE) Conference was held in Alexandria last week. Our very own Dr. Lisa Vosper is currently President of LAWHE and developed a fabulous one-day event focused on Resilient Women.
- The Conference of Louisiana Colleges & Universities recently held its annual meeting. One fantastic highlight was a student panel focused on faculty members who had made a difference in their lives. Dr. Reed had the opportunity to address the conference and present and accept the 2019 Trailblazer Award on behalf of Governor Blanco.
- One of the key shifts in our education ecosystem is the opportunity to develop a white collar youth apprenticeship program. Thanks to Janet Newhall from Academic Affairs who wrote our Louisiana PAYA grant and traveled to Charleston, South Carolina with our Louisiana team for the workshop.
- The Governor's Education and Workforce Subcabinet met again yesterday continuing our important work. The subcabinet members were presented with a State Policy Agenda for Providing Comprehensive Student Aid to Louisiana's Low Income Students by our partners at the Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP).
- Compliments to the Regents' hardworking staff for the difference they are making in our state.

Chair Chabert thanked all Board members for their participation in the Board Development session regarding the Master Plan.

He also congratulated student member Anthony Kenney on his upcoming graduation. Regent Kenney said he is a first-generation college student and is proud to attend a Historically Black College and University (HBCU) and serve as COSBP president.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Chair Chabert noted that the next scheduled Board of Regents' two-day meetings will be Tuesday, April 23, 2019 and Wednesday, April 24, 2019 in the Claiborne Building, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:05  
p.m.