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AGENDA

RESEARCH AND SPONSORED INITIATIVES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 21, 2022

11:25 a.m.

Claiborne Building, 1st Floor
Louisiana Purchase, Room 1-100
1201 North Third Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Consent Agenda
 - A. Request from Nicholls State University to Divide BoRSF-Matched Endowed Chair
- IV. Other Business
- V. Adjournment

Committee Members: Felix R. Weill, Chair; Phillip R. May, Jr., Vice Chair; Stephanie A. Finley; Darren G. Mire; T. Jay Seale III; Gary N. Solomon, Jr.
Staff: Carrie Robison, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs

AGENDA ITEM III.A.

Request from Nicholls State University to Divide BoRSF-Matched Endowed Chair

Background Information

In August 2011, the Board of Regents approved guidelines for the division of Endowed Chairs funds to establish Endowed Professorships, setting the minimum corpus level of professorships so created at \$250,000. Since this determination, several campuses have divided BoRSF-matched Chairs to establish Professorships at this level or higher.

Staff Summary

The NSU Belle and Leonard Toups Endowed Chair in English is a \$1 million endowed chair held by Nicholls State University, matched by the BoRSF in FY 1996-97. Nicholls now requests approval to divide the Toups Chair into four Endowed Professorships, each with a corpus of \$250,000, in the following names:

- The Belle and Leonard Toups Endowed Professorship in Writing;
- The Belle and Leonard Toups Endowed Professorship in Literary Studies;
- The Belle and Leonard Toups Endowed Professorship in Language Studies; and
- The Belle and Leonard Toups Endowed Professorship in Cultural Studies.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Consistent with the August 2011 policy, the Senior Staff recommends approval of the division of the NSU Belle and Leonard Toups Endowed Chair in English into four (4) endowed professorships as follows: (1) The Belle and Leonard Toups Endowed Professorship in Writing; (2) The Belle and Leonard Toups Endowed Professorship in Literary Studies; (3) The Belle and Leonard Toups Endowed Professorship in Language Studies; and (4) The Belle and Leonard Toups Endowed Professorship in Cultural Studies.