

## **MINUTES**

### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM**

**OCTOBER 29, 2004**

**A. Call to Order**

Chair Michael Woods called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System in the Cate Teacher Education Center, 1200 North General Pershing Street, Kiva, Room 250, second floor, Hammond, Louisiana at 10:32 a.m. Chair Woods stated that a public comment card should be filled out if anyone wished to speak before the Board concerning items to be addressed by the Board.

**B. Roll Call**

The roll was called.

**PRESENT**

Mr. Michael H. Woods, Chair  
Mrs. Elsie P. Burkhalter  
Mr. Andre G. Coudrain  
Mr. Jimmy D. Long, Sr.  
Ms. Katie Ortego  
Mr. D. Wayne Parker

Mr. Gordon A. Pugh  
Mr. Walter R. Rhodes  
Mr. Winfred F. Sibille  
Dr. Eunice W. Smith  
Mr. Charles Teamer

**ABSENT**

Mr. Donald T. "Boysie" Bollinger  
Mr. Victor Bussie  
Mr. Robert C. Davidge, Vice Chair

Mr. Carl Shetler  
Mr. David Wright

Also present for the meeting were the following: System President Dr. Sally Clausen, System staff, administrators and faculty representatives from System campuses, Board Attorney Linda Law Clark, interested citizens, and representatives of the news media.

**C. Invocation**

Mr. Long gave the invocation.

**D. Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting held August 27, 2004**

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Dr. Smith, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting of August 27, 2004.

**E. Report of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

Dr. Eunice W. Smith, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, presented the Committee report.

Upon motion of Dr. Smith, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendations of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee to approve the adoption of the following resolutions.

- E.1. Grambling State University's request for approval to award an honorary Doctor of Science degree to Dr. Julius H. Taylor at the Fall 2004 commencement.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve the request from Grambling State University to award an honorary Doctor of Science degree to Dr. Julius H. Taylor at the Fall 2004 commencement.*

- E.2. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval to: (a) offer options, as opposed to concentrations, within the undergraduate Kinesiology program; and (b) change the current degree in Kinesiology from a Bachelor of Arts to a Bachelor of Science.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval to: (a) offer options, as opposed to concentrations, within the undergraduate Kinesiology program; and (b) change the current degree in Kinesiology from a Bachelor of Arts to a Bachelor of Science.*

- E.3. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to create The Center for Structural and Functional Materials.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve the University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request to create The Center for Structural and Functional Materials.*

- E.4. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to award honorary Bachelor of Humanities degrees to the following individuals at the Fall 2004 commencement: (1) Ms. Clara Dell Constantine; (2) Ms. Martha Jane Conway; (3) Mr. Charles Vincent Singleton; and (4) Ms. Shirley Taylor.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve the request from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette to award honorary Bachelor of Humanities degrees at the Fall*

*2004 commencement exercise to the following individuals: (1) Ms. Clara Dell Constantine; (2) Ms. Martha Jane Conway; (3) Mr. Charles Vincent Singleton; and (4) Ms. Shirley Taylor.*

**F. Report of the Joint Audit and Finance Committee**

Mr. Coudrain, Chair of the Finance Committee, and Mr. Teamer, Chair of the Audit Committee, presented the Joint Audit and Finance Committee report.

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendations of the Joint Audit and Finance Committee to approve the adoption of the following resolution.

- F.1. Louisiana Tech University's request for approval of a Centralized Cash Management and Investment Policy.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve Louisiana Tech University's Centralized Cash Management and Investment Policy as submitted.*

- F.2. University of Louisiana System's discussion of internal audit reports submitted for the period August 15, 2004 through October 15, 2004.

Mr. Richard Thompson, System Director of Internal Audit, presented the report to the Committee. Dr. Horace Judson, President, Grambling State University, gave a status report on the internal audit function. Dr. Randy Moffett, President, Southeastern Louisiana University, gave an update on the audit of the SLU Office of Testing and the actions taken to correct the findings. No official Board action is required.

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Mr. Coudrain requested that System staff compile the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 First Quarter Interim Financial Reports and ongoing assurances and disseminate to Board Members for discussion at the December Board Meeting.

**G. Report of the Facilities Planning Committee**

Mr. Winfred Sibille, Chair of the Facilities Planning Committee, presented the Committee report.

Upon motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Mr. Coudrain, the Facilities Planning Committee voted unanimously to amend its agenda to include two items of Other Business.

- G.1. Nicholls State University's request for approval to name the Honors Student Center the R.E. "Bob" Miller Honors Student Center.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve Nicholls State University's request to name the Honors Student Center the R.E. "Bob" Miller Honors Student Center.*

- G.2. Northwestern State University's request for approval of the privatized housing proposal from Century Development and approval to enter into a Ground Lease Agreement with a 501(c)3 corporation.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve Northwestern State University's request for approval of the Privatized Housing Proposal from Century Development and approval to enter into a Ground Lease Agreement with a 501(c)3 corporation.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dr. Sally Clausen, President of the University of Louisiana System, and/or Dr. Randall J. Webb, President of Northwestern State University, are/is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to execute said lease agreement.*

*AND FURTHER, that UL System staff and legal counsel ensure that all related documents conform to statutory and administrative requirements.*

- G.3. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to construct replacement parking and improvements related to the DeSiard Street South Campus Project in accordance with the provisions set forth in Act 959 of 2003.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve University of Louisiana at Monroe's request to construct replacement parking and improvements related to the DeSiard Street South Campus Project in accordance with the provisions set forth in Act 959 of 2003.*

*AND FURTHER, that UL System staff and legal counsel ensure that all documents conform to statutory and administrative requirements.*

- G.4. University of Louisiana System's request for approval of the FY 2005-06 Capital Outlay Budget Request as amended.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve the FY 2005-06 Capital Outlay Budget Request as amended.*

- G.5.a. Other Business – University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to name the Student Success Center on behalf of Mr. Clarke M. Williams, founder and CEO of CenturyTel.

Dr. Nick Bruno, Vice President for Business Affairs at the University of Louisiana at Monroe, reported that at the August 27, 2004 Board Meeting the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System approved ULM's request to name the Student Success Center on behalf of a deceased donor with the stipulation that the University notify the Board of the name of the deceased donor and of the Student Success Center at the October Board Meeting. Dr. Bruno reported that the name of the deceased donor is Clarke M. Williams, founder and CEO of CenturyTel. He further stated that the name of the Student

Success Center is the Clarke M. Williams Student Success Center. No official Board action is required.

- G.5.b. Other Business – University of Louisiana System’s request for temporary approval of a proposed Early Childhood Development Center to be located on one of the UL System campuses.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System, upon the request of Superintendent of Education Cecil Picard, does hereby give temporary approval of a proposed Early Childhood Development Center to be located on one of the UL System campuses with the understanding that the Early Childhood Development Center project would not in any way impact any other project at any campus in the University of Louisiana System.*

## **H. Report of System President’s Business**

### H.1. Personnel Actions

Dr. Sally Clausen, System President, reported that staff reviewed the System personnel actions and recommended them for Board approval as amended. Dr. Clausen asked for Board approval of the appointment of Dr. Kay Kirkpatrick as System Vice President for Administration and General Counsel.

*Upon motion of Mr. Pugh, seconded by Mr. Sibille, the Board voted unanimously to approve the System personnel actions as amended.*

### H.2. System President’s Report

Dr. Clausen highlighted Supervisor Charles C. Teamer, Sr. acknowledging and thanking him for his numerous contributions to the state and nation and the breadth of experience he brings to the Board through his background in education, banking and finance. She particularly commended Mr. Teamer on his membership in and leadership of Sigma Pi Phi Inc., “*The Boulé*,” the prestigious and exclusive fraternity known as the oldest existing black Greek-letter organization.

## **I. Report of Board Chair’s Business**

### I.1. Board Chairman’s Report

- a. Report of Board Nominating Committee

*Upon motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Mr. Coudrain, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and elected Mr. Michael H. Woods as the 2005 Chairman of the Board and Mr. Robert C. Davidge as Vice Chairman of the Board.*

**J. Other Business**

- Mr. Woods solicited comments from Supervisors who attended Board of Regents' meetings on behalf of the Board. Mr. Sibille reported that he attended the Facilities and Properties Committee and gave a brief report regarding action taken by that committee. Mr. Long stated he attended the Academic and Student Affairs Committee and updated the Board on actions taken at that meeting involving System universities.
- Mr. Woods asked Student Member Katie Ortego to report on student initiatives. Ms. Ortego reported that as a result of the student initiative on voter registration, 4,500 more students are registered to vote in the upcoming presidential election on November 2. She briefly discussed the upcoming spring "R U Ready?" campaign and visits to eighth-grade students and elementary schools in order to prepare them for high school and college admission standards.
- Mr. Woods informed Board Members that he would be representing them at the AGB Council of Board Chairs meeting on November 14-15, 2004 in Washington, D.C.
- Chair Woods reminded the Board that immediately following this meeting there would be a joint meeting of the Board of Regents and the Board of Supervisors.
- The Board was reminded that the December meeting will be held at Northwestern State University in Natchitoches on December 2 and 3, 2004.

**K. Adjournment**

*Upon motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Dr. Smith, there being no further business, the Board adjourned at 11:04 a.m.*