

MINUTES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM

MAY 26, 2006

A. **Call to Order**

Mr. Jimmy D. Long called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System in the Auditorium, Room 100, "*The Louisiana Purchase Board Room*," of the Claiborne Building Conference Center, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:05 a.m. Chair Long 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. Jimmy D. Long, Sr., Chair
Mrs. Elsie P. Burkhalter, Vice Chair
Mr. Donald T. "Boysie" Bollinger
Mr. Victor Bussie
Dr. Mildred G. Gallot
Mr. Jeffrey S. Jenkins

Mr. D. Wayne Parker
Mr. Gordon A. Pugh
Mr. Winfred F. Sibille
Mr. Charles C. Teamer, Sr.
Mr. Michael H. Woods

ABSENT

Mr. Andre G. Coudrain
Mr. Robert T. Hale
Mr. Walter R. Rhodes

Dr. Eunice W. Smith
Ms. Mallory Wall

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

C. **Invocation**

Mr. Bussie gave the invocation.

D. **Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting held April 28, 2006**

Upon motion of Mr. Pugh, seconded by Mr. Woods, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting of April 28, 2006.

E. Motion

Upon motion of Mr. Bollinger, seconded by Mr. Teamer, the Board voted unanimously to suspend the rules in order to dispense with committee deliberations and allow the Board as a whole to consider all items of business.

F. Athletic

- F.1. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to appoint Mr. J. Kelley Hall and Ms. Meredith Hall as Co-Head Coaches of Women's Basketball effective June 1, 2006.

Upon motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Mr. Teamer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the adoption of the following resolution.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request to appoint Mr. J. Kelley Hall and Ms. Meredith Hall as Co-Head Coaches of Women's Basketball effective June 1, 2006.*

- F.2. University of Louisiana System's report on significant athletic activities for the period April 15 through May 15, 2006.

Mr. Richard Thompson, System Director of Internal Audit, presented the report to the Board. No official Board action was required.

G. Audit

- G.1. **University of Louisiana System's** report on audits submitted for the period April 15 through May 15, 2006.

Mr. Richard Thompson, System Director of Internal Audit, presented the report to the Board. No official Board action was required.

H. Facilities Planning

Upon motion of Mr. Pugh, seconded by Mr. Bollinger, the Board voted unanimously to approve the adoption of the following resolutions.

- H.1. Grambling State University's request for approval to purchase the Hill Grocery Store property.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve Grambling State University's request to purchase the Hill Grocery Store property.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Dr. Sally Clausen, President of the University of Louisiana System, and/or Dr. Horace Judson, President of Grambling State University, are hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to execute said purchase for the site value of \$134,039.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that UL System staff will contract with an environmental attorney to review environmental documents/reports/correspondence, etc. regarding short-term and long-term liability and other relevant legal issues prior to purchase of property.

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

- H.2. Louisiana Tech University's request for approval to enter into a lease agreement with Louisiana Tech Foundation, Inc. to install artificial turf in Joe Aillet Stadium.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve Louisiana Tech University's request to enter into a lease agreement with Louisiana Tech Foundation, Inc. to install artificial turf in Joe Aillet Stadium.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dr. Daniel D. Reneau, President of Louisiana Tech University, is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents associated with said lease by the University of Louisiana System on behalf of and for the use of Louisiana Tech University.

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

- H.3. Northwestern State University's request for approval to demolish the "old" Equipment and Grounds Building.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve Northwestern State University's request to demolish the "old" Equipment and Grounds Building.

- H.4. Northwestern State University's request for approval to enter into a lease agreement with the Louisiana Baptist Convention for the purpose of constructing, operating, and maintaining a Student Activity Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve Northwestern State University's request to enter into a lease agreement with the Louisiana Baptist Convention for the purpose of constructing, operating, and maintaining a Student Activity Center.

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 hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to execute said lease.

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

- H.5. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval to amend the University's FY 2006-07 Capital Outlay Budget Request entitled Department of Kinesiology and Health Studies Renovation to revise the scope of the project.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve Southeastern Louisiana University's request to amend the University's FY 2006-07 Capital Outlay Budget Request entitled Department of Kinesiology and Health Studies Renovation to revise the scope of the project.*

I. Legislation

Mr. Victor Bussie, Chair of the Legislation Committee, called on Miss Michelle Broussard, System Legislative Liaison, who presented the Board with an updated list of bills of interest to postsecondary education from the 2006 Regular Legislative Session. Miss Broussard also summarized the status of selected governance bills. Dr. Nick Bruno, System Vice President for Operations and Facilities, and Mrs. Dee'Layn Cothorn, System Associate Vice President for Budget and Planning, provided an overview of the Appropriations Bill – HB1.

No official Board action was required.

J. Personnel

- J.1. Nicholls State University's request for approval to appoint Dr. Deborah Bordelon as Dean of the College of Education effective July 21, 2006.

Upon motion of Mr. Bollinger, seconded by Mr. Teamer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the adoption of the following resolution.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve the request of Nicholls State University to appoint Dr. Deborah Bordelon as Dean of the College of Education at an annual salary of \$105,000 effective July 31, 2006.*

- J.2. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval to appoint Dr. Dan McCarthy as Dean of the College of Science and Technology effective May 29, 2006.

Upon motion of Mr. Bollinger, seconded by Mr. Bussie, the Board voted unanimously to approve the adoption of the following resolution.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve the request of Southeastern Louisiana University to appoint Dr. Dan McCarthy as Dean of the College of Science and Technology at an annual salary of \$110,000 effective May 29, 2006.*

K. System President's Business

K.1. Personnel Actions

Dr. Sally Clausen, System President, reported that System staff reviewed the personnel actions and recommends approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Bollinger, seconded by Mr. Woods, the Board voted unanimously to approve the System personnel actions.

K.2. System President's Report

- Dr. Clausen introduced Policy and Procedures Memorandum (PPM) B.VI.(1), System Office Rewards and Recognition Program, to Board Members. She stated that this PPM provides the System Office with the ability to provide a very small non-monetary reward to those employees, members of the Board of Supervisors, students, and public officials who contribute to the state's efforts to provide better educational opportunities to its citizens.
- Dr. Clausen asked Mr. Rusty Jabour, System Associate Vice President for Communications and Policy, and Commissioner of Higher Education E. Joseph Savoie to address the Board regarding the high school core curriculum that is the most important component of the Board of Regents' admissions framework. Mr. Jabour gave an overview of the UL System initiative, "R U Ready?," which informs students and parents about admission standards at Louisiana's public universities and the importance of taking the core courses in high school in order to prepare for college. Dr. Savoie commended Dr. Clausen and the Board for their leadership in this effort.
- Mr. Woods informed the Board that Dr. Clausen has been invited by the AASCU Board of Directors to deliver the 2006 President-to-Presidents Lecture at the annual meeting in Florida in November. This honor is bestowed to a president who is highly regarded by presidential peers.

Dr. Clausen asked that Mr. Long proceed with his report and then return to conclude her report.

L. Board Chair's Business

L.1. Board Chairman's Report

- Mr. Long introduced and congratulated Mr. Aron Walker, SGA President from Southeastern Louisiana University, who will be sworn in as the Student Board Member at the June 23, 2006 Board Meeting.
- Mr. Long solicited comments from Mr. Sibille, who attended the May 25, 2006 Board of Regents meeting on behalf of the Board. Mr. Sibille gave a brief report regarding actions taken by the Board of Regents at that meeting affecting System universities.

- Mr. Long stated that the presentation on University Foundation best practices by Mr. Jim Lanier, Senior Fellow for Board Education Services at the Association of Governing Boards, was extremely timely and informative. He thanked Dr. Clausen for keeping the Board up to date on issues important to the success of the University of Louisiana System.
- Mr. Long announced the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting is on June 23, 2006, in Baton Rouge.
- Mr. Long stated he is appointing a committee to review System President Sally Clausen's compensation package. He appointed Mr. Andre Coudrain to serve on the ad hoc committee and also appointed Vice Chair Elsie Burkhalter and Mr. Winfred Sibille to work with Mr. Coudrain on the committee. They will make a recommendation to the Board at a later date.

L.2. Other Business

- Mr. Long asked if there was any other business to come before the Board. As there was no other business to come before the Board, Mr. Long turned over the meeting to Dr. Clausen to conclude her business.
- Dr. Clausen stated that, after consultation with the Board Chair and Chair of the Finance Committee, she would like to offer salary adjustments to System staff between 4% and 6%.
- Dr. Clausen thanked System Associate Provost and Vice President for Student Affairs Brad O'Hara for organizing a very successful Meningitis Forum on May 4. She also thanked the University of Louisiana at Lafayette for its assistance with the Forum.
- Dr. Clausen informed the Board that the UL System will sponsor a leadership institute focusing on academic leadership in the near future.
- Dr. Clausen showed a PowerPoint presentation which highlighted and honored Dr. Ray Authement, President of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, for his outstanding leadership and unparalleled contributions to the University.

M. Adjournment

Upon motion of Mr. Pugh, seconded by Mr. Sibille, the meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.