MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM
FEBRUARY 29, 2008

A. Call to Order

Mrs. Elsie Burkhalter called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System in Room 105, Hardtner Hall, McNeese State University, Lake Charles, Louisiana at 9:35 a.m.

B. Roll Call

The roll was called and a quorum established.

PRESENT

Mrs. Elsie P. Burkhalter, Chair
Mr. Winfred F. Sibille, Vice Chair
Mr. Andre G. Coudrain
Dr. Mildred G. Gallot
Mr. Robert Hale

Ms. Renee A. Lapeyrolerie
Mr. Jimmy D. Long, Sr.
Mr. D. Wayne Parker
Ms. Connie Rougeou
Dr. Eunice W. Smith

ABSENT

Mr. Paul Aucoin
Mr. Victor Bussie
Mr. Jeffrey S. Jenkins

Mr. Russell L. Mosely
Ms. Olinda Ricard

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. Long gave the invocation.

D. Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting held January 11, 2008

Upon motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Coudrain, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting of January 11, 2008.

E. Motion

Upon motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Mr. Coudrain, 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.

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As host for this month’s meeting, Dr. Robert Hebert, President of McNeese State University, welcomed the Board and provided an informative and well-received presentation on campus accomplishments.

F. Academic and Student Affairs

F.1. Grambling State University’s request for approval of a Proposed Revision of the General Education Program.

This item was withdrawn at the request of Dr. Horace Judson, President of Grambling State University.

F.2. Grambling State University’s request for approval of a Letter of Intent for a Bachelor of Arts degree program in Film Studies.

Upon motion of Mr. Long, seconded by Ms. Rougeou, 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 Grambling State University’s request for approval of a Letter of Intent for a Bachelor of Arts degree program in Film Studies.

F.3. Grambling State University’s request for approval of a Curriculum Proposal for a Master of Science degree program in Nursing, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner.

Upon motion of Dr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Coudrain, 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 Grambling State University’s request for approval of a Curriculum Proposal for a Master of Science degree program in Nursing, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner.

F.4. Grambling State University’s request to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Dallas County Community College District (DCCCD).

Upon motion of Ms. Lapeyrolerie, seconded by Mr. Coudrain, 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 Grambling State University’s request to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Dallas County Community College District (DCCCD).

F.5. McNeese State University’s request for approval to offer a Postsecondary Certificate program in Kodaly Studies.

Upon motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Ms. Rougeou, 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 McNeese State University’s request for approval to offer a Postsecondary Certificate program in Kodaly Studies.

F.6. Nicholls State University’s combined Letter of Intent and Proposal for a Bachelor of Science degree program in Athletic Training Science.

Upon motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Dr. Smith, 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 Nicholls State University’s combined Letter of Intent and Proposal for a Bachelor of Science degree program in Athletic Training Science.

F.7. Northwestern State University’s request for approval to award an Honorary Doctorate of Humanities to Mr. Joseph Dow at the spring 2008 commencement exercises.

Upon motion of Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Coudrain, 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 Northwestern State University’s request for approval to award an Honorary Doctorate of Humanities to Mr. Joseph Dow at the spring 2008 commencement exercises.

F.8. Southeastern Louisiana University’s request for approval of a Proposal for a Bachelor of Science degree program in Engineering Technology.

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Mr. Parker, 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 Southeastern Louisiana University’s request for approval of a Proposal for a Bachelor of Science degree program in Engineering Technology.

F.9. University of Louisiana at Monroe’s request to reorganize its Office of Graduate Studies and Research into (1) The Graduate School and (2) The Office of Sponsored Programs and Research.

Upon motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Ms. Rougeou, 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 Monroe’s request to reorganize its Office of Graduate Studies and Research into (1) The Graduate School and (2) The Office of Sponsored Programs and Research.

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Dr. Mildred Gallot reported on Academic items approved by the Board of Regents concerning System institutions.

Dr. Brad O’Hara, System Associate Provost and Vice President for Student Affairs, reported on the Presidents’ Professional Development session on Crisis Communications that had been held the previous day. He also commended Board member Renee Lapeyrolerie for recommending the training and for suggesting retired State Police Lieutenant Colonel Ronnie Jones as presenter. Ms. Lapeyrolerie, in turn, thanked the campus Presidents and staff for participating in this important program.

G. **Athletic**

G.1. Grambling State University’s request for approval of the contractual agreement with Mr. Rod Broadway, Head Men’s Football Coach, effective February 7, 2008.

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Dr. Gallot, 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 Grambling State University’s request for approval of the contractual agreement with Mr. Rod Broadway, Head Men’s Football Coach, effective February 7, 2008.

G.2. Southeastern Louisiana University’s request for approval of the contractual agreement with Ms. Lori Jones, Head Women’s Basketball Coach, for the period October 1, 2007 to April 30, 2010.

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Ms. Lapeyrolerie, 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 Southeastern Louisiana University’s request for approval of the contractual agreement with Ms. Lori Jones, Head Women’s Basketball Coach, for the period October 1, 2007 to April 30, 2010.

G.3. Southeastern Louisiana University’s request for approval of the contractual agreement with Mr. Tim Baldwin, Head Golf Coach, for the period October 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008.

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Dr. Gallot, 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 Southeastern Louisiana University’s request for approval of the contractual agreement with Mr. Tim Baldwin, Head Golf Coach, for the period October 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008.
G.4. **University of Louisiana System’s report on significant athletic activities for the period of November 27, 2007 through February 12, 2008.**

Mr. Robbie Robinson, Director of Internal and External Audit, presented this report to the Board. No official Board action was required.

H. **Audit**

H.1. **University of Louisiana System’s report on internal and external audits submitted for the period November 27, 2007 through February 14, 2008.**

Mr. Robbie Robinson, Director of Internal and External Audit, presented this report to the Board. No official Board action was required.

I. **Facilities Planning**

I.1. **Louisiana Tech University’s request for approval to rename the University’s baseball complex the J.C. Love Field at Pat Patterson Park.**

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Mr. Sibille, 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 Louisiana Tech University’s request for approval to rename the University’s baseball complex the J.C. Love Field at Pat Patterson Park.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that Louisiana Tech University shall obtain final approvals from UL System staff, legal counsel, and all other appropriate agencies/parties, of processes, documents, and administrative requirements.

**AND FURTHER,** that Louisiana Tech University will provide System office with copies of all final executed documents for Board file.

I.2. **Louisiana Tech University’s request for approval to authorize the State Mineral Board to offer for lease two 80-acre tracts in Winn Parish.**

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Dr. Smith, 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 Louisiana Tech University’s request for approval to authorize the State Mineral Board to offer for lease two 80-acre tracts in Winn Parish.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that Dr. Daniel Reneau, President, be authorized to execute a lease on the above side property in Winn Parish, on behalf of Louisiana Tech University.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that Louisiana Tech University, shall obtain final approvals from UL System staff, legal counsel, and all other appropriate agencies/parties, of processes, documents, and administrative requirements.
AND FURTHER, that Louisiana Tech University will provide System office with copies of all final executed documents for Board file.

1.3. McNeese State University’s request for approval to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the McNeese State University Foundation involving the lease of the Fuller Farm property for the purpose of conducting farm-related teaching and research.

Upon motion of Dr. Gallot, seconded by Ms. Rougeou, 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 McNeese State University’s request for approval to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the McNeese State University Foundation involving the lease of the Fuller Farm property for the purpose of conducting farm-related teaching and research.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dr. Robert Hebert, President of McNeese State University, is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents associated with said lease agreements by the University of Louisiana System on behalf of and for the use of McNeese State University.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that McNeese State University shall obtain final review from UL System staff, legal counsel, and shall secure all other appropriate approvals from agencies/parties of processes, documents, and administrative requirements.

AND FURTHER, that McNeese State University will provide the System office with copies of all final executed documents for Board file.

1.4. McNeese State University’s request for approval to construct improvements to the McNeese State University Quadrangle in accordance with the provisions set forth in Act 959 of 2003.

Upon motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Ms. Rougeou, 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 McNeese State University’s request for approval to construct improvements to the McNeese State University Quadrangle in accordance with the provisions set forth in Act 959 of 2003.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that McNeese State University shall obtain final review from UL System staff, legal counsel, and shall secure all other appropriate approvals from agencies/parties of processes, documents, and administrative requirements.

AND FURTHER, that McNeese State University will provide the System office with copies of all final executed documents for Board file.
1.5. McNeese State University’s request for approval to purchase approximately 2.1 acres of undeveloped property located along Common Street from Cardone-Gillard, LLC for $200,000.

Upon motion of Ms. Rougeou, seconded by Mr. Hale, 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 McNeese State University’s request for approval to purchase approximately 2.1 acres of undeveloped property located along Common Street from Cardone-Gillard, LLC for $200,000.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Dr. Robert Hebert, President of McNeese State University, is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to execute said purchase of property.

**AND FURTHER**, that McNeese State University will provide the System office with copies of all final executed documents for Board file.

1.6. University of Louisiana at Lafayette’s request for approval to demolish five (5) buildings located on the main campus.

Upon motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Ms. Lapeyrole, 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 for approval to demolish five (5) buildings located on the main campus.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that University of Louisiana at Lafayette shall obtain final reviews from UL System staff, legal counsel, and all other appropriate agencies/parties, of processes, documents, and administrative requirements.

**AND FURTHER**, that University of Louisiana at Lafayette will provide System office with copies of all final executed documents for Board file.

1.7. University of Louisiana at Lafayette’s request for approval to enter into a Ground Lease Agreement and Agreement to Lease with Option to Purchase with Racin’ Cajun Facilities, Inc. to install synthetic turf and other improvements in Cajun Field.

Upon motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Ms. Rougeou, 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 for approval to enter into a Ground Lease Agreement and Agreement to Lease with Option to Purchase with Racin’ Cajun Facilities, Inc. to install synthetic turf and other improvements in Cajun Field.
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that University of Louisiana at Lafayette shall obtain final review from UL System staff, legal counsel, and shall secure all other appropriate approvals from agencies/parties of processes, documents, and administrative requirements prior to execution of documents.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that Dr. Ray Authement, President of University of Louisiana at Lafayette, is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents associated with said lease agreements by the University of Louisiana System on behalf of and for the use of University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

**AND FURTHER,** that University of Louisiana at Lafayette will provide the System office with copies of all final executed documents for Board file.

Mrs. Burkhalter reported on Facilities items approved by the Board of Regents concerning System institutions.

**J. Finance**

**J.1. Northwestern State University’s request for approval to revise Scholarships and Fee Exemptions.**

Upon motion of Mr. Long, seconded by Dr. Gallot, 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 Northwestern State University’s request for approval to revise Scholarships and Fee Exemptions.

**J.2. University of Louisiana at Monroe’s request for approval of a student referendum to increase a self-assessed fee.**

Upon motion of Dr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Coudrain, 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 Monroe’s request for approval of a student referendum to increase a self-assessed fee.

**J.3. University of Louisiana System’s request for approval to establish LEQSF (8g) Endowed Professorships/Chairs as follows:**

a. **Grambling State University**
   1) The Ernest Everett Just Endowed Professorship in Biology
   2) The Percy L. Julian Endowed Professorship in Chemistry
   3) The William W.S. Claytor Endowed Professorship in Mathematics
b. Louisiana Tech University
   1) James W. Adams Professorship in Electrical Engineering
   2) Contractor's Trust 2 Professorship in Engineering
   3) Thomas O'Kelly Mitchiner Endowed Professorship in Business
   4) Bobby E. Price Endowed Professorship in Civil Engineering
   5) Herman A. “Dusty” Rhodes Chair in Engineering

c. McNeese State University
   1) William McLeod Endowed Professorship
   2) Evelyn Shaddock Murray Professorship in History
   3) First Federal Bank of Louisiana Professorship
   4) Violet Howell Professorship for “Write to Excellence”
   5) Delores and Tom Tuminello Professorship
   6) Louie D. Barbe Endowed Professorship
   7) Citgo Petroleum Professorship in Engineering #3
   8) Walker Eugene Dripps Professorship in Music #1
   9) Walker Eugene Dripps Professorship in Music #2
  10) Pearl and Harold Dripps Professorship in Agriculture #1
  11) Pearl and Harold Dripps Professorship in Agriculture #2
  12) Alice M. and G. Russell Chambers Professorship in Pre-Med

d. Nicholls State University
   1) The Benny Raziano Endowed Professorship in Culinary Arts
   2) The Joseph Maselli Endowed Professorship in Culinary Arts
   3) The R.E. “Bob” Miller Endowed Professorship in Honors Studies

e. Northwestern State University
   1) Willis Knighton Health Care System Endowed Professorship in Nursing #3
   2) Ted and Aleane Adair Endowed Professorship in Mathematics
   3) Ellis and Melva Juanita Martinez Coutee Endowed Professorship in Mathematics
   4) Theodore Harris Roberts Endowed Professorship in Rhetoric and Debate

f. Southeastern Louisiana University
   1) The Erna Deiglmayr Endowed Professorship in Foreign Language
   2) The Elizabeth Weeks Jones Endowed Professorship in Humanities
   3) The Benjamin Paul Jones Endowed Professorship in Retailing
   4) The Duane and Catherine Shafer Endowed Professorship in Biological Sciences

g. University of Louisiana at Lafayette
   1) Debra H. Kite/BORSF Memorial Endowed Professorship in Dietetics
   2) Dr. Joe Kite/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Governmental Ethics
   3) Mr. and Mrs. E.P. “Pat” Nalley/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Business Administration 2007-I
   4) Mr. and Mrs. E.P. “Pat” Nalley/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Business Administration 2007-II
   5) Philip and Jean Piccione/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Statistics V
   6) Home Bank/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Finance
h. University of Louisiana at Monroe
1) George L. “Chip” Luffey Endowed Professorship in Kinesiology

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Ms. Lapeyrolerie, the Board voted unanimously for 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 System’s request for approval to establish LEQSF (8g) Endowed Professorships/Chairs as follows:

a. Grambling State University
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2) The Percy L. Julian Endowed Professorship in Chemistry
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b. Louisiana Tech University
1) James W. Adams Professorship in Electrical Engineering
2) Contractor’s Trust 2 Professorship in Engineering
3) Thomas O’Kelly Mitchiner Endowed Professorship in Business
4) Bobby E. Price Endowed Professorship in Civil Engineering
5) Herman A. “Dusty” Rhodes Chair in Engineering

McNeese State University
1) William McLeod Endowed Professorship
2) Evelyn Shaddock Murray Professorship in History
3) First Federal Bank of Louisiana Professorship
4) Violet Howell Professorship for “Write to Excellence”
5) Delores and Tom Tuminello Professorship
6) Louie D. Barbe Endowed Professorship
7) Citgo Petroleum Professorship in Engineering #3
8) Walker Eugene Dripps Professorship in Music #1
9) Walker Eugene Dripps Professorship in Music #2
10) Pearl and Harold Dripps Professorship in Agriculture #1
11) Pearl and Harold Dripps Professorship in Agriculture #2
12) Alice M. and G. Russell Chambers Professorship in Pre-Med
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1) The Benny Raziano Endowed Professorship in Culinary Arts
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4) Theodore Harris Roberts Endowed Professorship in Rhetoric and Debate

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1) The Erna Deiglmayr Endowed Professorship in Foreign Language
2) The Elizabeth Weeks Jones Endowed Professorship in Humanities
3) The Benjamin Paul Jones Endowed Professorship in Retailing
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g. University of Louisiana at Lafayette
1) Debra H. Kite/BORSF Memorial Endowed Professorship in Dietetics
2) Dr. Joe Kite/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Governmental Ethics
3) Mr. and Mrs. E.P. “Pat” Nalley/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Business Administration 2007-I
4) Mr. and Mrs. E.P. “Pat” Nalley/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Business Administration 2007-II
5) Philip and Jean Piccione/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Statistics V
6) Home Bank/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Finance
7) Home Bank/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Management
8) Coca Cola/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Engineering
9) Coca Cola/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Business Administration 2008-I
10) Coca Cola/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Business Administration 2008-II
11) Dr. Tommy Comeaux/BORSF Memorial Endowed Professorship in Traditional Music X
12) Harold and Adele Comeaux/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Biology
13) The Paul Chaveres Rockhold/BORSF Endowed Chair in Child Development

h. University of Louisiana at Monroe
1) George L. “Chip” Luffey Endowed Professorship in Kinesiology


Ms. Devery Pierce, Director of Finance and Operations, presented this report to the Board. No official Board action was required.

Ms. Devery Pierce, Director of Finance and Operations, and Mr. J. Douglas Lee, Assistant Vice President for Facilities and Capital Improvement, presented reports on alternatively financed projects. No official Board action was required.

Mrs. Sharon Southall, Associate Vice President for P-20 Initiatives, introduced Principal Dinah Robinson, Student of the Year Christopher Bellows, and Librarian Matilda Tolbert from John F. Kennedy Elementary School in Lake Charles, Louisiana. Ms. Southall stated that this school had recently been identified by the Louisiana Department of Education as one of 20 Louisiana schools that are high-performing, high-poverty schools and commended Principal Robinson for her students’ strong and steady academic growth. Principal Robinson, Ms. Tolbert, and Christopher Bellows thanked Dr. Clausen and the Board for the special recognition.

K. Legislation

K.1. Update on Louisiana Legislature’s 2008 1st Extraordinary Session

Dr. Kim Hunter Reed, Executive Vice President, and Ms. Jodi Mauroner, Associate Vice President for Policy and Strategic Planning, presented an update on the Ethics Session and discussed the upcoming Legislative Sessions. No official Board action was required.

L. Personnel

L.1. Grambling State University’s request for approval to appoint Dr. Matthew Uwakonye as Interim Dean of the College of Business effective January 2, 2008.

Upon motion of Dr. Gallot, seconded by Dr. Smith, the Board voted unanimously for 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 Grambling State University’s request for approval to appoint Dr. Matthew Uwakonye as Interim Dean of the College of Business effective January 2, 2008.

L.2. Louisiana Tech University’s request for approval to appoint Mr. Michael A. DiCarlo as Dean of Library Services effective March 1, 2008.

Upon motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Ms. Rougeou, the Board voted unanimously for 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 Louisiana Tech University’s request to appoint Mr. Michael A. DiCarlo as Dean of Library Services effective March 1, 2008.
L.3. Southeastern Louisiana University’s request for approval to appoint Dr. Jerald Ainsworth as Dean of Research and Graduate Studies effective March 3, 2008.

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Dr. Smith, the Board voted unanimously for the adoption of the following resolution as amended.

**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 appoint Dr. Jerald Ainsworth as Dean of Research and Graduate Studies effective March 3, 2008.**

M. **Special Committee on Access to Success and Accountability**

M.1. **Performance Grant Presentation**

Dr. O’Hara recognized all eight institution presidents as they were awarded performance grants that collectively totaled $400,002. Four performance indicators – graduation rates, first-time freshman retention rates, ACT score improvements, and ACT student satisfaction scores – were utilized in awarding this grant money. The following amounts were awarded:

- Grambling State University $46,154
- Louisiana Tech University $46,154
- McNeese State University $52,308
- Nicholls State University $49,231
- Northwestern State University $52,308
- Southeastern Louisiana University $52,308
- University of Louisiana at Lafayette $52,308
- University of Louisiana at Monroe $49,231

Dr. Clausen congratulated the Presidents for their work in promoting the Access to Success initiative, which will ultimately benefit students. Committee Chair Parker thanked Dr. Clausen for providing leadership in this national initiative and complimented the campus Presidents for their commitment to this effort. Dr. Reed also announced that each campus has launched its College Portrait online as part of the Voluntary System of Accountability. A copy of the portraits was shared with the Board. Mr. Parker noted that the System is the first in the nation to participate and thanked the Presidents for their strong leadership in this effort.

N. **System President’s Business**

N.1. **Personnel Actions**

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

*Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board voted unanimously to approve System personnel actions.*
N.2. **System President’s Report**

- Dr. Clausen stated that on January 30 the Senate Education Committee held an orientation meeting and that Dr. Randy Moffett, President of Southeastern Louisiana University, presented the System report to the committee. Dr. Clausen complimented Dr. Moffett for his excellent presentation. She indicated that the feedback from the committee was positive and members were pleased with the System’s level of accountability and measurable goals.

- Dr. Clausen informed the Board that Dr. Kim Hunter Reed and her father Lawrence Hunter are featured in a book entitled *Daughters of Men*, a recent national publication about the importance of strong fathers in the lives of daughters. Along with Dr. Reed’s essay about her relationship with her father, the book spotlights many other successful and well-known women, including recording artists Beyoncé, Aisha Tyler, and Tisha Campbell-Martin.

- Dr. Clausen stated that the Annual CLCU Meeting would be hosted by Northwestern State University in Natchitoches on March 4. Several System staff members plan to attend.

O. **Board Chairman’s Business**

O.1. **Board Chairman’s Report**

- Mrs. Burkhalter stated that the Corporation for National and Community Service named Nicholls State University to the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for exemplary service efforts and assistance to disadvantaged youth for the second consecutive year. Nicholls was one of nine Louisiana schools to achieve this honor.

- Mrs. Burkhalter reminded Board members that the next Board meeting will be held in Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge on March 28. On Thursday, March 27, the System is planning an Accountability Forum entitled *Student Access and Success: No Longer An Option* beginning at 10:00 a.m. The forum will address new expectations of accountability – containing costs while graduating more students faster and in high-demand areas. All Board members are encouraged to participate as well as Board of Regents members, Campus Presidents and Vice Presidents, and legislative leaders. Governor Jindal has been invited to be present. Brit Kirwan, Chancellor of the University System of Maryland, will focus on Access to Success, while Travis Reindl from Jobs for the Future and Jane Wellman will discuss cost containment in higher education.

- Mrs. Burkhalter also informed the Board that there will be a March 15 Spring Gala sponsored by the ULL Alumni Foundation in honor of Dr. Ray Authement.

- Mrs. Burkhalter thanked Dr. Hebert for his hospitality in hosting the February meeting at McNeese and complimented him and his staff for an outstanding effort.
Chair Burkhalter congratulated Dr. Clausen for her election as Commissioner of Higher Education by the Board of Regents and announced that the Executive Committee of the Board would be meeting to discuss the next steps in filling the future System President vacancy.

P. Adjournment

Upon motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Mr. Coudrain, the meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.