

## MINUTES

### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM DECEMBER 5, 2008

#### A. Call to Order

Mrs. Elsie Burkhalter, Chair, called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System in the Cotillion Ballroom, Donald G. Bollinger Student Union, Nicholls State University, Thibodaux, Louisiana at 10:35 a.m.

#### B. Roll Call

The roll was called and a quorum established.

#### PRESENT

Mrs. Elsie Burkhalter, Chair	Ms. Renee Lapeyrolerie
Mr. Winfred F. Sibille, Vice Chair	Mr. Jimmy D. Long, Sr.
Mr. Paul Aucoin	Mr. Russell Mosely
Dr. Mildred G. Gallot	Mr. D. Wayne Parker
Mr. Gregory Hamer, Sr.	Dr. Eunice Smith
Mr. E. Gerald Hebert	

#### ABSENT

Mr. Andre Coudrain  
Mr. Edward Crawford III  
Mr. Jeffrey S. Jenkins  
Mr. Carl Shetler  
Ms. Morgan Verrette

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

#### C. Invocation

Mr. Parker gave the invocation.

#### D. Approval of Minutes of the October 24, 2008 Board Minutes

Upon motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2008 Board meeting.

#### E. Welcome and Presentation by Dr. Stephen Hulbert, President of Nicholls State University

Dr. Stephen Hulbert, President of Nicholls State University, welcomed the Board members and highlighted the campus by presenting a powerpoint. The main theme of his presentation was (1) enhancing academic excellence and (2) facility improvements and plans for the future.

F. **Report of Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

Dr. Gallot, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, presented the Committee report.

Upon motion of Dr. Gallot, seconded by Mr. Mosely, the Board voted unanimously to approve the adoption of the following resolution.

- F.1. Grambling State University's request for approval of a Letter of Intent for a Bachelor of Science degree program in Child Development.

*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 Science degree program in Child Development.*

G. **Report of Joint Athletic and Audit Committee**

Mr. Aucoin, Chair of the Athletic Committee, presented the Joint Committee report.

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

- G.1. University of Louisiana System's request for approval of campus Complimentary Ticket Policies.

*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 of campus Complimentary Ticket Policies.*

- G.2. University of Louisiana System's report on significant athletic activities for the period of October 14, 2008 through November 21, 2008.

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

- G.3. University of Louisiana System's report on internal and external audits submitted for the period October 14, 2008 through November 21, 2008.

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

H. **Report of Joint Facilities Planning and Finance Committee**

Mr. Mosely, Chair of the Facilities Planning Committee, presented the Joint Committee report.

Upon motion of Mr. Mosely, seconded by Dr. Smith, the Board voted unanimously to approve the adoption of the following resolutions.

- H.1. Louisiana Tech University's request for approval to enter into a lease agreement with Louisiana Tech University Alumni Foundation to install a new video scoreboard 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 Alumni Foundation to install a new video scoreboard in Joe Aillet Stadium.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System approves Louisiana Tech University's request to accept, once completed, donation of all improvements.

***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 agreement by the University of Louisiana System on behalf of and for the use of Louisiana Tech University.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that Louisiana Tech University 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 Louisiana Tech University will provide the System office with copies of all final executed documents for Board files.

- H.2. McNeese State University's introductory report on funding the University's Athletic Field House Renovation and Expansion Project.

This item is a report only and no Board action is necessary at this time.

- H.3. Northwestern State University's request to name the President's Residence the Arnold R. Kilpatrick President's Residence.

***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 name the President's Residence the Arnold R. Kilpatrick President's Residence.

- H.4. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to demolish three (3) buildings located on the main campus.

***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 demolish three (3) 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.*

- H.5. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to petition the State Interim Emergency Board to address structural deficiencies and repairs to the Lafayette Cajundome.

*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 petition the State Interim Emergency Board to address structural deficiencies and repairs to the Lafayette Cajundome.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dr. E. Joseph Savoie, President of University of Louisiana at Lafayette, is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents associated with said action by the University of Louisiana System.*

*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.*

- H.6. Northwestern State University's request to allocate revenues from mineral leases according to the provisions of LAS-R.S. 17:3367.

*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 allocate initial revenues from mineral leases as presented and according to the provisions of LAS-R.S. 17:3367.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Northwestern State University is authorized to allocate any future revenues from mineral leases in accordance with the provisions of LAS-R.S.17:3367.*

- H.7. Northwestern State University's request to make additions to its Schedule of Unrestricted Scholarships and Fee Exemptions.

*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 make additions to its Schedule of Unrestricted Scholarships and Fee Exemptions as submitted herein.*

- H.8. University of Louisiana System's discussion of Fiscal Year 2008-2009 first quarter interim financial reports and ongoing assurances.

Mr. Todd Barré, System Associate Vice President for Budget and Finance, presented the report. No action by the Board is required.

I. **Report of Personnel Committee**

Mr. Long presented the Committee report.

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

I.1. Nicholls State University's request for approval to appoint Dr. Susan Roark as Acting Dean of the College of Education.

***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 appoint Dr. Susan Roark as Acting Dean of the College of Education.*

I.2. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to appoint Dr. DeWayne Bowie as Interim Vice President for Enrollment Management.

***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 Dr. DeWayne Bowie as Interim Vice President for Enrollment Management.*

**System President's Business**

J.1. Personnel Actions

Dr. Randy Moffett, System President, reported that System staff reviewed the personnel actions and staff recommends approval.

*Upon motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Aucoin, the Board voted unanimously to approve the System personnel actions.*

J.2. System President's Report

- Dr. Moffett highlighted Dr. Eunice Smith as she retires from the Board at the end of 2008. Dr. Moffett reported that Dr. Smith has been on the Board for three six-year terms, including serving as Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs and Grievance Committees, and membership on numerous Committees. Also, she most notably served on search committees, including the 2000 Grambling Search Committee, the 2001 Southeastern Search Committee, and the 2002 Nicholls Search Committee. Dr. Smith thanked him for the words of congratulation and she stated that she considered her years of service as an honor.
- Dr. Moffett updated the Board on his activities in the past and coming weeks, which follow:
  - He attended the Investiture Ceremony of Dr. E. Joseph Savoie as the sixth President of UL-Lafayette.
  - He visited campuses of Nicholls State University and McNeese State University.
  - He gave the commencement address at Louisiana Tech University.
  - He will deliver the commencement address at UL-Monroe on December 13.

- Dr. Moffett commended the following universities:
  - UL-Monroe’s May 2008 nursing graduates received 100% passage rates on the National Council Licensure Examination.
  - The Southeastern Channel received four Emmy Award nominations from the Suncoast Region of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.
  - Grambling State University won this year’s Bayou Classic.
  - Louisiana Tech University will have the opportunity to play in the Independence Bowl.
  - UL-Lafayette has become eligible to participate in a Bowl game this year.
- Dr. Moffett reported that 12 applications for the presidency of Southeastern Louisiana University are in the process of being verified. In the beginning of 2009, the Search Committee will hold its next meeting, and the goal of the Committee is to complete the search process during the first quarter of 2009.
- Dr. Moffett noted that Board members’ folders contained two summary sheets of information on the Funding Formula for their review.
- Dr. Moffett stated that in October the UL System had begun an initiative to perform an economic and community impact study for each of the eight campuses as well as a state economic impact. Dr. Bea Baldwin, Vice President for Research and Performance Assessment, and Dr. Edwin Litolff, Associate Vice President for Institutional Research and Enrollment Management, are coordinating this initiative. Dr. Baldwin stated that the guiding principle for the study is: “How the economy and quality of life in Louisiana would be affected if the eight UL System campuses did not exist.” The goals of the study are to analyze the universities’ (1) economic impact, (2) quality of life impact, and (3) value-added contributions to the communities and state.
- Dr. Moffett stated that the Board of Regents had recently released the results of a study concerning the effectiveness of Louisiana teachers. The study compared the achievement of students of new teachers from redesigned teacher education programs with those of veteran teachers. Dr. Moffett complimented the teacher education programs at Nicholls State, Northwestern State, UL-Lafayette, and UL-Monroe for their performance.
- Dr. Moffett complimented and thanked Dr. Hulbert, President of Nicholls State University, for the hospitality shown during the Board’s visit to the campus.
- Dr. Moffett introduced two recent additions to the System office staff: Ms. Erica Sherrard, Executive Director of Academic Services and Planning, and Dr. Caprice Ieyoub, Executive Director of Student Development and Special Assistant to the Provost.

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Dr. Brad O’Hara, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Dr. Caprice Ieyoub, Executive Director of Student Development and Special Assistant to the Provost, made check presentations to the universities for this year’s round of twenty ULS Learn and Serve grant awards. Over the past three years, the System will have funded 71 service learning projects, totaling approximately \$1.18 million. Grants to date have involved 10,000 participants and 100,000 service hours by students. Dr. O’Hara thanked the Presidents for encouraging participation on their campuses.

Dr. O'Hara thanked System staff members Anne McKisson, Jackie Tisdell, Dr. Edwin Litolff, and Devin Broome for the many hours of hard work that were invested in the development and administration of these grants.

K. **Board Chair's Report**

K.2. **Report of Nominating Committee and Election of 2009 Officers**

Mrs. Burkhalter called on Mr. Mosely to give the report of the Nominating Committee.

*Upon motion of Mr. Aucoin, seconded by Dr. Gallot, the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and elected Mrs. Elsie Burkhalter as Chair of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System for 2009.*

*Upon motion of Dr. Gallot, seconded by Mr. Hebert, the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and elected Mr. Winfred Sibille as Vice Chair of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System for 2009.*

Mrs. Burkhalter informed the Board that she has chosen Mr. D. Wayne Parker to serve as Parliamentarian for 2009.

*Upon motion of Mrs. Burkhalter, seconded by Mr. Sibille, the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System voted unanimously in support of the Chair's appointment of Mr. Parker as Parliamentarian.*

K.3. **Other Business**

Mrs. Burkhalter reminded Board members about the dates for the next two meetings of the Board in Baton Rouge. The Board will meet on Friday, January 9, 2009, to install 2009 officers. Also during that meeting, staff from the Board of Ethics will be present to provide a mandatory and informative session concerning the new ethics laws. A second meeting in January is set for January 22-23, 2009 for regular System Board business.

L. **Other Business**

Mr. Aucoin complimented Dr. Hulbert for hosting the meeting.

There was no other business to come before the Board.

M. **Adjournment**

Upon motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Mr. Parker, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.