

**MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM
JUNE 25, 2010**

A. **Call to Order**

Mr. Winfred Sibille called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System in Room 100, the "Louisiana Purchase Room," Claiborne Conference Center, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana at 10:30 a.m.

B. **Roll Call**

The roll was called.

PRESENT

Mr. Paul Aucoin
Mrs. Elsie Burkhalter
Mr. Andre Coudrain
Mr. Edward Crawford III
Dr. Mildred G. Gallot
Mr. E. Gerald Hebert

Mr. Jimmy D. Long, Sr.
Mr. Russell Mosely
Mr. D. Wayne Parker
Mr. Brook Sebren
Mr. Winfred F. Sibille

ABSENT

Mr. Jeff Jenkins
Ms. Renee Lapeyrolerie
Mr. Carl Shetler

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

C. **Invocation**

Mr. Wayne Parker gave the invocation.

D. **Administering the Oath of Office to Mr. Brook Sebren, Student Board Member**

Mr. Sibille welcomed Mr. Brook Sebren as the new Student Board member. Dr. Kirkpatrick, System General Counsel, administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Sebren. Chair Sibille informed Board members that he had appointed Brook to serve on the Academic and Student Affairs, Athletic, Grievance, and Legislation Committees as well as the Special Committee on Access to Success. He also will serve on the University of Louisiana at Monroe Presidential Search Committee.

Mr. Sebren said that he looked forward to working with the Board.

E. **Approval of Minutes of April 22, 2010 Meeting**

Upon motion of Mr. Mosely, seconded by Mr. Hebert, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of April 22, 2010 and the Special Meeting of April 23, 2010.

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

Dr. Gallot presented the Committee report.

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

- F.1. Northwestern State University's request for approval for the termination and redesign of specified degree programs, concentrations, and minors in conjunction with a revision to the organizational structure of its Division of Academic and Student Affairs.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Northwestern State University's request for approval for the termination and redesign of specified degree programs, concentrations, and minors in conjunction with a revision to the organizational structure of its Division of Academic and Student Affairs.*

There was one public comment from Ms. Bette Maroney, a faculty member at Northwestern State University, who spoke in opposition to the item.

- F.2. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval for program terminations and academic departmental redesign:

- a. Termination of Bachelor of Arts degree program in French;
- b. Termination of Bachelor of Arts degree program in French Education; and
- c. Merger of Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures and Department of Communication to create a new Department of Languages and Communication.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval for program terminations and academic departmental redesign:*

- a. *Termination of Bachelor of Arts degree program in French;*
- b. *Termination of Bachelor of Arts degree program in French Education; and*
- c. *Merger of Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures and Department of Communication to create a new Department of Languages and Communication.*

There were two public comments from Southeastern students. Ms. Adelaide Williams and Ms. Vanessa Thibodeaux spoke in opposition to the item.

- F.3. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval for program termination of the Associate of Science (A.S.) degree program in Care and Development of Young Children (CDYC).

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System approves University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval for program termination of the Associate of Science (A.S.) degree program in Care and Development of Young Children (CDYC).*

G. **Report of Athletic Committee**

Dr. Gallot presented the Committee report.

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

- G.1. McNeese State University's request for approval of the contractual agreement with First Assistant Women's Basketball Coach, Mr. Garry P. Brodhead, for the period May 1, 2010 through April 30, 2011.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves McNeese State University's contractual agreement with First Assistant Women's Basketball Coach, Mr. Garry P. Brodhead, for the period May 1, 2010 through April 30, 2011.*

- G.2. McNeese State University's request for approval of the contractual agreement with Head Men's Basketball Coach, Mr. Dave Simmons, for the period May 1, 2010 through April 30, 2011.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves McNeese State University's request for approval of the contractual agreement with Head Men's Basketball Coach, Mr. Dave Simmons, for the period May 1, 2010 through April 30, 2011.*

- G.3. McNeese State University's request for approval of the contractual agreement with Head Women's Basketball Coach, Ms. Brooks D. Williams, for the period May 1, 2010 through April 30, 2011.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves McNeese State University's request for approval of the contractual agreement with Head Women's Basketball Coach, Ms. Brooks D. Williams, for the period May 1, 2010 through April 30, 2011.*

- G.4. Nicholls State University's request for approval of supplemental contractual agreements with five assistant football coaches.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Nicholls State University's request for approval of supplemental contractual agreements with five assistant football coaches.*

- G.5. Northwestern State University's request for approval of extension of the contractual agreement with Head Softball Coach, Mr. Donald Pickett.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Northwestern State University's request for approval of extension of the contractual agreement with Head Softball Coach, Mr. Donald Pickett.*

- G.6. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval of the contractual agreement with Head Basketball Coach, Mr. Keith Richard.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval of the contractual agreement with Head Basketball Coach, Mr. Keith Richard.*

- G.7. University of Louisiana System's report on significant athletic activities for the period of April 13, 2010 through June 11, 2010.

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

H. **Report of Audit Committee**

Mr. Aucoin presented the Committee report.

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

- H.1. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for acceptance of Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Financial and Compliance Representation Letter.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System approves Southeastern Louisiana University's request for acceptance of Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Financial and Compliance Representation Letter.*

- H.2. University of Louisiana System's report on internal and external audits submitted for the period of April 13 through June 14, 2010.

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

- H.3. University of Louisiana System's request for approval of System Universities' Fiscal Year 2010-11 Internal Audit Plans.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves System Universities' Fiscal Year 2010-11 Internal Audit Plans.*

I. **Report of Facilities Planning Committee**

Mr. Crawford, Chair, gave the Committee report.

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

- I.1. Grambling State University's request for approval to name the foyer of the Fredrick C. Hobdy Assembly Center the "Mary A. Hobdy Foyer."

***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 name the foyer of the Fredrick C. Hobdy Assembly Center the "Mary A. Hobdy Foyer."*

- I.2. Louisiana Tech University's request for approval to demolish two structures.

***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 demolish two structures.*

***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.*

- I.3. McNeese State University's request for approval to offer a small parcel of property for public auction.

***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 small parcel of property for public auction.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the President of McNeese State University is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to execute said land sale.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the University shall submit all information and documentation required for implementing the project(s) to the Board of Supervisors for University of Louisiana System for final approval.*

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

- I.4. Nicholls State University's request for approval to return the donated Rienzi-Levert Plantation House and 7.204 acres of land.

***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 return the donated Rienzi-Levert Plantation House and 7.204 acres of land.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the President of Nicholls State University is hereby designated and authorized to sign any and all documents as required by provisions in the Act of Donation.*

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

- I.5. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval for reversion of donated land at Port Manchac.

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 for reversion of donated land at Port Manchac.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of Southeastern Louisiana University is hereby designated and authorized to sign any and all documents as required by provisions in the Act of Donation.

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

- I.6. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to name a residence hall in Legacy Park the "Robert E. Trahan Hall" in honor of the late Robert E. Trahan.

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 name a residence hall in Legacy Park the "Robert E. Trahan Hall" in honor of the late Robert E. Trahan.

- I.7. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of the form and authorization to execute a Ground Lease Agreement and Agreement to Lease with Option to Purchase with Ragin' Cajun Facilities, inc. (UFI) to design, demolish, renovate, and expand the University's Student Union Complex.

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 of the form and authorization to execute a Ground Lease Agreement and Agreement to Lease with Option to Purchase with Ragin' Cajun Facilities, Inc. (UFI) to design, demolish, renovate, and expand the University's Student Union Complex.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of University of Louisiana System, and/or the President of University of Louisiana at Lafayette are/is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to execute said lease agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the University shall submit all information and documentation required for implementing the project(s) to the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System for final approval.

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

J. **Report of Finance Committee**

Mr. Mosely, Vice Chair, presented the Committee report.

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

- J.1. Louisiana Tech University's request for approval to enter into a lease agreement with Barnes & Noble College Booksellers.

***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 enter into a lease with Barnes & Noble for bookstore operations.*

- J.2. McNeese State University's request for approval to replace the Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company with Argent Trust, a Division of National Independent Trust Company, as Trustee for the outstanding \$6,000,000 Board of Supervisor Revenue Bonds (McNeese State University Field House Project), Series 2009.

***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 replace the Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company with Argent Trust, a Division of National Independent Trust Company, as Trustee for the outstanding \$6,000,000 Board of Supervisor Revenue Bonds (McNeese State University Field House Project), Series 2009.*

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

- J.3. Nicholls State University's request for final approval of the business, financial, and building design plans, and restated grounds and facilities leases for the Nicholls Student Recreation Center Bond Issue Project.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby gives final approval of the business, financial, and building design plans, and restated grounds and facilities leases for the Nicholls Student Recreation Center Bond Issue Project.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the President of the University of Louisiana System and/or President of Nicholls State University are/is hereby designated and authorized to execute said leases.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the University shall submit all information and documentation required for implementing the project(s) to the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System for final approval.*

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

- J.4. Northwestern State University's request for approval to include a referendum clarifying "Home Campus" for self-assessed fees on an upcoming SGA ballot.

***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 include a referendum clarifying "Home Campus" for self-assessed fees on an upcoming SGA ballot.*

- J.5. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's report on the softball complex renovation project.

This is a report only, and no Board action is required.

- J.6. University of Louisiana System's request for ratification of Auxiliary Rates and Non-Governmental Charges that have been administratively approved:

McNeese State University
Nicholls State University
Southeastern Louisiana University
University of Louisiana at Monroe

***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 ratification of Auxiliary Rates and Non-Governmental Charges that have been administratively approved:*

*McNeese State University
Nicholls State University
Southeastern Louisiana University
University of Louisiana at Monroe*

- J.7. University of Louisiana System's request for approval to authorize System staff to approve energy surcharge requests from System universities in accordance with Board of Regents' guidelines, if applicable, and to develop a policy and procedure memorandum to establish guidelines for administration of the energy surcharge.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby authorize System staff to approve energy surcharge requests from System universities in accordance with Board of Regents' guidelines, if applicable, and staff shall seek Board ratification of those approvals on a semi-annual basis.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that System staff shall develop a policy and procedure memorandum to establish guidelines for assessment, administration and reporting by campuses for the energy surcharge.*

K. Report of Personnel Committee

Chair Aucoin presented the Committee report.

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

- K.1. Grambling State University's request for approval to appoint Dr. Paul A. Bryant as Interim Vice President for Enrollment Management and Retention effective July 1, 2010.

***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. Paul A. Bryant as Interim Vice President for Enrollment Management and Retention effective July 1, 2010.*

- K.2. Nicholls State University's request for approval to appoint Dr. Allayne Barrilleaux as Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs effective July 1, 2010.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve Nicholls State University's request for approval to appoint Dr. Allayne Barrilleaux as Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs effective July 1, 2010.*

L. **System President's Business**

- L.1. Personnel Actions

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

Upon motion of Mrs. Burkhalter, seconded by Dr. Gallot, the Board voted unanimously to approve the System personnel actions.

- L.2. University of Louisiana System's request for approval to appoint Dr. Stephen P. Richters as Interim President of University of Louisiana at Monroe.

Upon motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Sebren, 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 System's request to appoint Dr. Stephen P. Richters as Interim President of University of Louisiana at Monroe effective August 1, 2010, until a new President of named by the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that Dr. Richters be compensated at the existing University of Louisiana at Monroe presidential salary and be eligible for other benefits, as deemed appropriate.*

***AND FURTHER,** that, although Dr. Richters will not reside in the President's Residence, he will have use of the President's Residence for the purposes of entertaining in his role as Interim President.*

Dr. Richters stated that he was honored to have the opportunity to serve the university as Interim President and would work towards a smooth transition as the university continues to move forward.

L.3. System President's Report

Grambling State Presidential Search

Dr. Moffett gave an update on the Grambling Presidential Search. He reported that the Committee had met earlier that morning and had agreed to suspend the search and to recommend that the Board consider Dr. Frank Pogue as the next President of Grambling State University.

After discussion, upon motion of Dr. Gallot, seconded by Mrs. Burkhalter, 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 recommendation to appoint Dr. Frank Pogue as the next President of Grambling State University, with salary and related benefits to be determined by System President Randy Moffett, in consultation with the Board Chair and Vice Chair, and executed by a letter of appointment and in accordance with Board Rules.

The following roll call vote was recorded:

Yeas: Paul Aucoin, Elsie Burkhalter, Edward Crawford, Mildred Gallot, E. Gerald Hebert, Jimmy Long, Russell Mosely, Wayne Parker, Brook Sebren, Winfred Sibille

Nays: None

Absent: Andre Coudrain, Jeff Jenkins, Renee Lapeyrolerie, Carl Shetler

Mr. James Bradford, of the Grambling Alumni Association, made a request to speak to the Board and voiced his appreciation for the appointment of Dr. Pogue.

Dr. Pogue thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve Grambling State University as President.

Revisions to Board Rule and PPMs

Board members were given copies of proposed revisions to three Board Rules and one Policy and Procedures Memorandum (PPM).

The revision to *Chapter II, Students, Section VIII. Baccalaureate Degrees Requirements* will be considered for approval at the next Board meeting. Also to be considered for approval are revisions to *Chapter III, Faculty and Staff, Section XI. Tenure* as well as *Chapter III. Faculty and Staff, Section XV. Termination.*

Board members were each given a copy of a proposed revision to PPM (FS-III.XV.B-1a) Academic Program Reduction and/or Discontinuance.

Legislative Follow-Up

Since it may be necessary to take action in association with the La GRAD Act prior to the next meeting of the Board, Dr. Moffett asked for permission to review and approve campus actions in that regard.

Upon motion of Mr. Mosely, seconded by Mr. Aucoin, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the System President to review and approve any campus agreements relative to the La GRAD Act and provide a report to the Board.

Dr. Moffett stated that the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget could meet on a date prior to the next Board meeting. He asked for authorization to consult with the Chair, Vice Chair, Parliamentarian, and Finance Committee Chair to finalize the System's budget.

Upon motion of Mr. Mosely, seconded by Mr. Aucoin, the Board voted unanimously to charge the Chair, Vice Chair, Parliamentarian, and Chair of the Finance Committee to work with System staff as necessary in the development of the UL System office budget.

SGA Presidents

Dr. Moffett asked Dr. Caprice Ieyoub to introduce the newly elected Student Government Association (SGA) Presidents for the eight campuses. Dr. Ieyoub introduced the following student leaders:

Lamark Hughes	Grambling State University
Emily LaFleur	Louisiana Tech University
Jonathan Rutherford	McNeese State University
Brittany Taraba	Nicholls State University
Mark Daniels	Northwestern State University
David Cavell	Southeastern Louisiana University
Chris Groh	University of Louisiana at Lafayette
Brook Sebren	University of Louisiana at Monroe

University of Louisiana-Monroe Presidential Search

Dr. Moffett said that Mr. Sibille had recently appointed the University of Louisiana at Monroe Presidential Search Committee. Board members include Mr. Coudrain, Mr. Crawford, Dr. Gallot, Mr. Hebert, Ms. Lapeyrolerie, Mr. Long, Mr. Parker, Mr. Sebren, Mr. Shetler, and Mr. Sibille. Dr. Moffett will serve as the non-voting Chair; Dr. Anna Hill will represent the ULM Faculty Senate; and Mr. Tex Kilpatrick will serve as non-voting Community Representative.

Dr. Moffett stated that the initial meeting of the Search Committee is expected to occur in July.

Farewell to Dr. James Cofer

A presentation honoring Dr. Cofer was shown. Dr. Cofer and his wife Deborah came to the table. Dr. Cofer said that he enjoyed his tenure as President and appreciated the support given by the System office, faculty, staff, students and the local community.

Farewell to Dr. Robert Hebert

A presentation honoring Dr. Hebert was also shown. Dr. Hebert came to the table and voiced his regrets that his wife Lilly Ann was unable to attend. He thanked the Board for his 23-year tenure as President of McNeese and assured them that he was looking forward to his retirement.

Mr. Shetler had sent a letter to Dr. Moffett, asking that the letter be read at the Board meeting since he would be absent from the meeting. Dr. Moffett read the letter, which commended Dr. Hebert for his accomplishments over the years.

M. **Board Chair's Report**

Mr. Sibille reminded the Board that this year's annual service learning conference will be held on Monday, August 9, in the Claiborne Conference Center.

He announced that the next Board meeting will be held in Baton Rouge on Thursday and Friday, August 26-27.

N. **Other Business/Adjournment**

There being no further business, upon motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Mrs. Burkhalter, the meeting adjourned at 12:19 p.m.