

**MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM
DECEMBER 3, 2012**

A. **Call to Order**

Mr. Wayne Parker 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 2:09 p.m.

B. **Roll Call**

The roll was called.

PRESENT

Mr. Paul Aucoin	Mr. Jimmie "Beau" Martin, Jr.
Mr. Andre Coudrain	Mr. Russell Mosely
Mr. Edward Crawford III	Mr. D. Wayne Parker
Mr. William Dearmon	Mr. Carl Shetler
Mr. Jimmy Long, Sr.	Mr. Winfred Sibille

ABSENT

Mr. Jimmy Faircloth	Mr. Louis Lambert
Mr. David Guidry	Ms. Renee Lapeyrolerie
Mr. E. Gerald Hebert	Mr. John LeTard

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

C. **Invocation**

Mr. Mosely gave the invocation.

D. **Approval of Minutes of October 23, 2012 Regular Meeting and November 9, 2012 Special Meeting**

Upon motion of Mr. Shetler, seconded by Mr. Coudrain, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the October 23, 2012 Regular and November 9, 2012 Special Meetings.

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

E. **Academic and Student Affairs**

- E.1. Louisiana Tech University's request for approval to award an Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree to Benjamin L. Denny at the Fall Commencement Exercises.

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

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Louisiana Tech McNeese State University's request for approval to award an Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree to Benjamin L. Denny at the Fall Commencement Exercises.*

- E.2. Louisiana Tech University's request for approval to award an Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree to Jack E. Byrd at the Fall Commencement Exercises.

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

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Louisiana Tech University's request for approval to award an Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree to Jack E. Byrd at the Fall Commencement Exercises.*

- E.3. Northwestern State University's request for approval of a Letter of Intent for a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree program in the college of Nursing and Allied Health.

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

***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 a Letter of Intent for a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree program in the College of Nursing and Allied Health.*

- E.4. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of a Letter of Intent for a Ph.D. degree program in Interdisciplinary Geosciences.

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

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves the University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of a Letter of Intent for a Ph.D. degree program in Interdisciplinary Geosciences.*

- E.5. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval of a Proposal to establish a Post Baccalaureate Certificate (PBC) in Computer Information Systems in the College of Business Administration.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves the University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval of a Proposal to establish a Post Baccalaureate (PBC) in Computer Information Systems in the College of Business Administration.

- E.6. University of New Orleans' request for approval of a Letter of Intent for a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree program in Advanced Materials and Nanoscience.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves the University of New Orleans' request for approval of a Letter of Intent for a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree program in Advanced Materials and Nanoscience.

- E.7. University of New Orleans' request for approval of a Letter of Intent for a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree program in Computer and Information Sciences.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves the University of New Orleans' request for approval of a Letter of Intent for a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree program in Computer and Information Sciences.

- E.8. University of Louisiana System's proposed revisions to Board Rule Chapter II. Students. Section I. Admission.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana System's proposed revisions to Board Rule Chapter II. Students. Section I. Admission.

F. **Athletic**

- F.1. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of a contractual agreement with Head Women's Soccer Coach, Mr. Blake Hornbuckle, effective February 1, 2013.

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

***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 of a contractual agreement with Head Women's Soccer Coach, Mr. Blake Hornbuckle, effective February 1, 2013.*

- F.2. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of a contractual agreement with Head Women's Volleyball Coach, Mr. Geno Frugoli, effective February 1, 2013.

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

***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 of a contractual agreement with Head Women's Volleyball Coach, Mr. Geno Frugoli, effective February 1, 2013.*

- F.3. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of a contractual agreement with Head Men's Basketball Coach, Mr. Robert Marlin, effective April 1, 2012.

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

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of a contractual agreement with Head Men's Basketball Coach, Mr. Robert Marlin, effective April 1, 2012.*

- F.4. University of Louisiana System's report of significant athletic activities for the period of October 9 to November 16, 2012.

No action was required by the Board as it was a report only.

G. **Audit**

- G.1. University of Louisiana System's report on internal and external audits submitted for the period of October 9 to November 16, 2012.

No action was required by the Board as it was a report only.

Mr. Bruce Janet responded to the concern that there were internal auditor vacancies at two System university campuses. He reported that, since the last Board meeting, University of Louisiana at Lafayette had hired an internal auditor and Nicholls State University was in the process of making an offer to hire an internal auditor.

H. **Facilities Planning**

- H.1. Louisiana Tech University's request for approval of a Ground Lease with the Louisiana Tech Foundation, Inc. for improvements to the Aquatic Facility and accept donations upon completion of the lease.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Louisiana Tech University's request for approval of a Ground Lease with Louisiana Tech Foundation, Inc. for improvements to the Aquatic Facility and accept donations upon completion of the lease.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Louisiana Tech 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 prior to execution of documents.

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

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

- H.2. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's report of Campus Master Plan.

No action was required by the Board as it was a report only.

- H.3. University of New Orleans' request for approval of adjustment to the overall project costs for the update renovations of Maestri Field located at Privateer Park, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Act 959 of 2003.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of New Orleans' request for approval to adjustment to the overall project costs for the update renovations of Maestri Field located at Privateer Park, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Act 959 of 2003.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that University of New Orleans 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.

***AND FURTHER**, that University of New Orleans will provide the System office with copies of all final executed documents for Board files.*

H.4. University of Louisiana System's request for approval to amend the FY 2013-14 Capital Outlay Budget Request.

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

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves the University of Louisiana System's request for approval to amend the FY 2013-14 Capital Outlay Budget Request.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Staff be authorized to make minor technical adjustments to the request.*

I. **Finance**

I.1. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of the First Amendment to the Facilities Lease dated November 1, 2010 with Ragin' Cajun Facilities, Inc. for the design and construction of the Student Union complex and to request that the project originally approved at \$42,000,000 be increased to \$53,000,000.

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

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of the First Amendment to the Facilities Lease dated November 1, 2010 with Ragin' Cajun Facilities, Inc. for the design and construction of the Student Union complex and to request that the project originally approved at \$42,000,000 be increased to \$53,000,000.*

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

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

I.2. University of Louisiana System's discussion of Fiscal Year 2012-13 first quarter financial reports and ongoing assurances.

This is a report only and no action by the Board is necessary.

J. **Personnel**

J.1. University of New Orleans' request for approval to appoint Dr. James E. Payne as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs effective January 1, 2013.

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Mr. Shetler, 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 hereby approves University of New Orleans' request for approval to appoint Dr. James Payne as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs effective January 1, 2013.*

K. **System President's Business**

K.1. **Personnel Actions**

Dr. Tom Layzell, Interim System President, reported that System staff reviewed the personnel actions, and staff recommends approval.

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

K.2. **System President's Report**

GRAD ACT Authority

Dr. Layzell informed the Board that new targeted GRAD Act measures will be added sometime between December and mid-January. Since legislation mandates that each management board review and approve revised targets and performance agreements, Dr. Layzell asked for a motion authorizing the System President to approve these new targets and performance agreement on behalf of the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Mr. Aucoin, the Board voted unanimously to amend its agenda to include one item of other business.

Upon motion of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Crawford, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the System President to approve new GRAD Act targets and performance agreements on behalf of the Board.

Delgado/SUNO/UNO Report

Dr. Peter Fos, President of University of New Orleans, gave a brief update on the collaboration activities between Delgado Community College, Southern University-New Orleans, and University of New Orleans. He gave this report in response to a requirement contained in implementation plans approved by the Board of Regents and the Boards of the Louisiana Community and Technical College System, Southern University System, and the University of Louisiana System.

Workforce Commission Presentation

Mr. Charles Moniotte, Chairman of the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council, was joined by Mrs. Raj Jindal, Director of Information Technology, and Mr. Curt Eysink, Executive Director, Louisiana Workforce Commission, to give a presentation of the *Louisiana Star Jobs* program. They demonstrated the interactive website that is a job and career tool available at laworks.net.

K.3. University of Louisiana System's Revision to Bylaws

Upon motion of Mr. Aucoin, seconded by Mr. Coudrain, the Board voted unanimously to waive the 30-day rule to approve a proposed revision to its Bylaws.

Upon motion of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Sibille, the Board voted unanimously to approve a Proposed Revision to Bylaws.

L. **Board Chair's Business**

L.1. Board Chair's Report

Report on System President Transition

Mr. Parker informed the Board members that a copy of Dr. Sandra Woodley's appointment letter was included in each folder for their review. He stated that her annual base salary would be \$375,000 and she would begin on January 1, 2013.

Mr. Parker also thanked Dr. Layzell for his leadership during the interim period. He said that Dr. Layzell will continue to work for the System until January 18, 2013.

Louisiana Tech University Presidential Search

Mr. Parker indicated that Dr. Leslie Guice would be interviewed for the presidency of Louisiana Tech at a Special Meeting on December 4 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 136 of the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge.

L.2. Report of Nominating Committee for 2013 Board Officers

Mr. Parker thanked Mr. Coudrain as Chair of the Nominating Committee and Messrs. Long, Shetler, and Sibille for serving on the Committee. He asked Mr. Coudrain for a report of the Nominating Committee and its recommendations.

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Mr. Aucoin, the Board voted unanimously to elect Mr. D. Wayne Parker as Chair of the Board for 2013.

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Mr. Sibille, the Board voted unanimously to elect Mr. Russell Mosely as Vice Chair of the Board for 2013.

In addition, Mr. Coudrain stated that the Nominating Committee recommended Mr. Paul Aucoin as the Parliamentarian for 2013.

Mr. Parker stated that he agreed with the recommendation and appointed Mr. Aucoin as Parliamentarian for 2013. This did not require a vote by the Board.

L.3. State of Louisiana versus BP Exploration & Production, Inc. et al., United States District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana, MDL 2179.

Mr. Parker asked Mr. Winston DeCuir, Attorney, and Ms. Dianne Irvine, General Counsel, to report on possible claims by the UL System against British Petroleum and its affiliates for damages incurred as a result of the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill. It was indicated that Louisiana's Attorney General had filed an action against BP and its affiliates for potential damages.

Upon motion of Mr. Aucoin, seconded by Mr. Crawford, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby authorizes the System President to pursue claims for the University of Louisiana System and its constituent universities against British Petroleum and its affiliates or any other entities that may be responsible for damages incurred as a result of the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and to enter into such agreements or arrangements as may be necessary to accomplish that purpose.*

M. Other Business

Mr. Parker reminded Board members that the Special Meeting of the Board would be held in Room 136 at 9:00 a.m. on December 4 to interview Dr. Guice.

Mr. Parker noted that installation of 2013 officers is scheduled for Friday, January 4, 2013.

He also indicated that the Board 2013 Calendar of dates was included in their folders.

N. Adjournment

There being no further business, upon motion of Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Shetler, the meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m.