

AGENDA
FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM
10:20 a.m., Thursday, December 8, 2016*
Room 100, "Louisiana Purchase Room"
Claiborne Conference Center
1201 North Third Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

MEMBERS:

Mr. Winfred Sibille, Chair
Mr. Shawn Murphy, Vice Chair
Dr. John Condos
Ms. Pamela Egan
Mr. Alejandro "Al" Perkins
Mr. Mark Romero
Mr. Robert Shreve

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. **Consent Agenda:**

Board Agenda Item G.1.

McNeese State University's request for approval to name the 2nd Floor Conference Room in the SEED Center the "*David Conner Board Room.*"

Board Agenda Item G.2.

McNeese State University's request for approval to enter into a design and construction contract for the reconstruction of the Drew Hall Parking Lot.

Board Agenda Item G.4.

Northwestern State University's request to enter into and execute a Ground and Buildings Lease Agreement with a non-profit entity that will in turn execute a sublease with CCHM Management Holdings Corp., or related company, for the renovation of Varnado Hall to provide additional dormitory space.

**** Executive Session, pursuant to R.S. 42:17, may be required.**

Board Agenda Item G.6.

University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to accept donation of a vacant lot located at 801 North McGuire Avenue from the University of Louisiana Monroe Facilities, Inc.

D. Discussion/Action:

Board Agenda Item G.3.

Northwestern State University's request for approval to name the Student Services Center the "*Jimmy D. Long Student Services Center.*"

Board Agenda Item G.5.

University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to waive the leasing requirements of *Policy and Procedures Memorandum FP-VI.IV.-1a Immovable Property* as they relate to the Louisiana Immersive Technologies Enterprise (LITE) Facility, and authorize the President of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette to lease space in the LITE Facility to tenants.

E. Other Business

F. Adjournment

Consent Agenda

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE
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Item G.1. McNeese State University's request for approval to name the 2nd floor conference room in the SEED Center the "*David Conner Board Room.*"

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The University requests approval to name its 2nd floor conference room in the SEED Center the "*David Conner Board Room.*" An alumnus of McNeese, Mr. Conner died on January 26, 2016, at the age of 57. Mr. Conner was the Vice President of Economic Development and International Commerce for the Southwest Louisiana Economic Development Alliance from 2009 up until his death. During his time at the Alliance, he brought stakeholders together for economic development opportunities and community resiliency. He also cultivated international trade for businesses in Southwest Louisiana. He developed the Alliance's National Export Initiative as the international commerce leader for Southwest Louisiana and co-authored the International Trade Accord of Acadiana and Imperial Calcasieu.

Prior to his tenure with the Alliance, Mr. Conner was an Individual Assistance Officer with FEMA and played a major role in regional recovery efforts for Hurricanes Katrina/Rita and Gustav/Ike. He concentrated on housing and managed the Rita Individual Assistance Program, which helped house 11,000 families in Southwest Louisiana and provided benefits to over 175,000 families. He also worked in Intergovernmental Affairs for Rita recovery and worked in Operations for Gustav and Ike. He owned a local business for 15 years prior to FEMA and has experience in the financial services industry with Merrill Lynch and New York Life. In 1999, he was chairman of the Open World-Russia Leadership Program for Southwest Louisiana.

See attached for further information.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

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 to name the 2nd floor conference room in the SEED Center the "*David Conner Board Room.*"



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November 15, 2016

Dr. Daniel D. Reneau, Interim President
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1201 North Third Street
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Dear Dr. Reneau:

I request approval for McNeese State University to name the 2nd floor conference room in the SEED Center in honor of Mr. David Conner, thus calling it the "David Conner Board Room." An alumnus of McNeese, Mr. Conner died on January 26, 2016, at the age of 57. Following is a summary of Mr. Conner's accomplishments:

Mr. Conner was the Vice President of Economic Development and International Commerce for the Southwest Louisiana Economic Development Alliance from 2009 up until his death in 2016. During his time at the Alliance, he brought stakeholders together for economic development opportunities and community resiliency. He also cultivated international trade for businesses in Southwest Louisiana. He developed the Alliance's National Export Initiative as the international commerce leader for Southwest Louisiana and co-authored the International Trade Accord of Acadiana and Imperial Calcasieu.

Through several programs at the Alliance, Mr. Conner encouraged Southwest Louisiana to become more active in entrepreneurship. During his tenure, he launched three small business development programs: Kauffman Foundation FastTrac training program, Economic Gardening, and Export University. He also managed the economic development team at the Alliance, which focused on Business Expansion and Retention, Business Recruitment, Small Business Development, Site Certification, International Commerce, and Research and Data.

Prior to his tenure with the Alliance, Mr. Conner was an Individual Assistance Officer with FEMA and played a major role in regional recovery efforts for Hurricanes Katrina/Rita and Gustav/Ike. He concentrated on housing and managed the Rita Individual Assistance Program, which helped house 11,000 families in Southwest Louisiana and provided benefits to over

175,000 families. He also worked in Intergovernmental Affairs for Rita recovery and worked in Operations for Gustav and Ike. He owned a local business for 15 years prior to FEMA and has experience in the financial services industry with Merrill Lynch and New York Life. In 1999, he was chairman of the Open World-Russia Leadership Program for Southwest Louisiana.

Mr. Conner served as Chair of the Housing Committee of the Growth Opportunity Group and the Calcasieu Parish Planning and Zoning Commission. He also served on the Volunteer Louisiana Commission (formerly the Louisiana Serve Commission), the AmeriCorps Committee, the Louisiana District Export Council, the World Trade Center International Commerce Committee, the Louisiana Council for Economic Education, the Southwest Louisiana Harbor Maintenance Committee, the Southwest Louisiana Community Organizations Active in Disasters, the Ann Rosteet Hurley Center for Economic Education Board at McNeese State University and the Louisiana Business Emergency Operations Center.

Mr. Conner was a 1980 graduate of the McNeese State University College of Business and is survived by his wife Mary Beth, their two children, Mariet and Clint, and his grandson Leo.

Thank you for your approval of this request to honor him for his many contributions.

Sincerely,



Philip C. Williams
President

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Item G.2. McNeese State University's request for approval to enter into a design and construction contract for the reconstruction of the Drew Hall Parking Lot.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

McNeese seeks approval to utilize Act 959 to perform the design, bidding and construction of the Drew Hall Parking Lot on the main campus by using statutorily dedicated funds. This lot is one of the primary parking lots for the campus serving faculty/staff, commuters and residential students. This lot has been in a state of disrepair for several years and the University has attempted to receive funds through Capital Outlay; however, the University has been unsuccessful and must now take action to reconstruct the lot for the safety of both pedestrian and vehicular traffic. This project will require the assistance of Facility Planning and Control for engineering selection since estimated cost of construction exceeds \$500,000 with total design and construction not to exceed \$1,250,000.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves McNeese State University's request to enter into a design and construction contract for the reconstruction of the Drew Hall Parking Lot.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that McNeese State University shall obtain final review from UL System staff and legal counsel to the Board, 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 McNeese State University and his or her designee are hereby authorized and directed to execute the contract described herein and any and all documents necessary in connection with this contract.

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



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Dear Dr. Reneau:

I request approval for McNeese State University to reconstruct the Drew Hall/Maintenance Parking Lot.

McNeese seeks approval to utilize Act 959 to perform the design, bidding and reconstruction of the Drew Hall/Maintenance Parking Lot on the main campus. This lot is one of the primary parking lots for the campus serving faculty/staff, commuters and residential students. This lot has been in a state of disrepair for several years and the University has attempted to obtain funds through Capital Outlay however they have been unsuccessful and must now take action to reconstruct the lot for the safety of both pedestrian and vehicular traffic. While this project does not require legislative approval under Act 959 guidelines, it will require the assistance of Facility Planning and Control for engineering selection since estimated cost of construction exceeds \$500,000 with total design and construction not to exceed \$1,250,000.00. Funding for this project will come from Self-generated funds.

I have attached an Executive Summary and a proposed ULS Board resolution for your review.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Philip C. Williams
President

Enclosures

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- Item G.4.** **Northwestern State University's** request to enter into and execute a Ground and Buildings Lease Agreement with a non-profit entity that will in turn execute a sublease with CCHM Management Holdings Corp., or related company, for the renovation of Varnado Hall to provide additional dormitory space.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Northwestern is seeking the approval for the execution of a Ground and Buildings Lease Agreement between the University and a non-profit corporation to be created by the University, whereby Varnado Hall will be leased to the non-profit corporation. The corporation will sublease Varnado Hall to CCHM Management Holdings Corp., or related company, which will agree to design, develop, renovate, construct and equip the project on behalf of the University. The plans are to enhance and preserve the structure through this major renovation project that would transform Varnado Hall into a modern and innovative apartment-style residential and activities center for students in Creative and Performing Arts.

The use of the Ground and Buildings Lease and a sublease is intended to facilitate the use of Federal historic tax credits as a part of the project. Varnado Hall is part of the Northwestern State University Historic District and is included in the National Register of Historic Places as designated by the U.S. Department of the Interior and the National Park Service.

Varnado Hall has been at the foreground of Northwestern State University's main campus in Natchitoches for more than seven decades. The stately, three-story structure was completed in 1939 with Public Works Administration funding as a women's dormitory. Located on University Parkway, the main thoroughfare serving the campus, Varnado Hall is a 36,380-square-foot facility that currently serves as a 194-bed overflow housing facility for the University.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Northwestern State University's request to enter into and execute a Ground and Buildings Lease Agreement with a non-profit entity that will in turn execute a sublease with CCHM Management Holdings Corp., or related company, for the renovation of Varnado Hall to provide additional dormitory space.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Northwestern State University shall obtain final review from UL System staff and legal counsel to the Board, 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 Northwestern State University and his or her designee are hereby authorized and directed to execute all documents described herein and any and all documents necessary in connection with the renovation of Varnado Hall described herein.

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



November 18, 2016

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Dr. Daniel Reneau, Interim President
University of Louisiana System
1201 North Third St., Suite 7-300
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Re: Varnado Hall Ground Lease

Dear Dr. Reneau:

Northwestern State University is submitting the attached *Varnado Hall Ground Lease* to be placed on the agenda for the December 2016 Board meeting.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Dr. James B. Henderson
President

Attachment

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE
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- Item G.6.** University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to accept donation of a vacant lot located at 801 North McGuire Avenue from the University of Louisiana Monroe Facilities, Inc.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

University of Louisiana at Monroe is requesting Board approval to accept the donation of a vacant lot located at 801 North McGuire Avenue from the University of Louisiana Monroe Facilities, Inc. The lot is .25 acres in size and will complete ownership of the entire block on which it is located. The lot is valued at approximately \$35,000.

A copy of the State of Louisiana Act of Donation form between ULM and the University of Louisiana Monroe Facilities, Inc. is attached.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

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 to accept donation of a vacant lot located at 801 North McGuire Avenue from the University of Louisiana Monroe Facilities, Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the University of Louisiana at Monroe shall obtain final review from UL System staff and legal counsel to the Board, 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 the University of Louisiana at Monroe and his or her designee are hereby authorized and directed to execute the act of donation described herein and any and all documents necessary in connection with the acceptance of the property donation described herein.

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



November 10, 2016

Dr. Daniel D. Reneau, Interim President
University of Louisiana System
1201 North Third Street, Suite 7-300
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

RE: University of Louisiana at Monroe (ULM)
Request to Approve Acceptance of Donation for the property located at 801 N. McGuire
December 8, 2016 ULS Board Meeting

Dear Dr. Reneau:

The University of Louisiana at Monroe is requesting approval to proceed with acceptance of an act of donation for a vacant lot located at 801 North McGuire Ave from the University of Louisiana Monroe Facilities, Inc. The lot was purchased by the Facilities Corporation in August of 2015. I have enclosed an executive summary that provides more information about the property. Please include ULM's request for approval on the December 8, 2016 Board meeting agenda.

In order to expedite this project, we further request permission to seek approval of the act of donation from the Board of Regents at the December 7, 2016 meeting.

Should you have any questions or need further information, please contact Michael Davis, ULM Facilities Planning Officer. Mr. Davis may be reached by phone at 318-342-5171 or by email at mdavis@ulm.edu. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Nick J. Bruno, Ph.D.
President

cc: Dr. William Graves, ULM Chief Business Officer
Michael Davis, ULM Facilities Planning Officer
Bruce Janet, UL System Director of Internal and External Audit
Chris Herring, BOR Assistant Commissioner for Facilities

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF OUACHITA

ACT OF DONATION

BE IT KNOWN, that on the dates hereinafter set forth, before the undersigned Notaries Public, duly commissioned in and for their respective States and Parishes hereinafter named, and in the presence of the undersigned competent witnesses, personally came and appeared:

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA MONROE FACILITIES, INC., a Louisiana non-profit corporation domiciled in Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, whose mailing address is 700 University Avenue, Library Suite 623, Monroe, LA 71209-2000, herein represented by R. Scott McDonald, duly authorized pursuant to resolution of its board attached hereto, hereinafter referred to as "Grantor",

who declared and acknowledged that in conjunction with its role as a support organization for University of Louisiana at Monroe, Grantor does hereby irrevocably give, grant, alienate, confirm and donate, inter vivos, in full ownership, unto:

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM, a public constitutional corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Louisiana, whose mailing address is 1201 North Third Street, Suite 7-300, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802, acting herein on behalf of the University of Louisiana at Monroe, which Board is represented herein by Dr. Nick J. Bruno, University of Louisiana at Monroe President, hereinafter referred to as "Grantee"

Lot 8 of Block 18 of Cole Addition to the City of Monroe, Louisiana, as per plat filed in Plat Book 3, page 4, records of Ouachita Parish, Louisiana.

Municipal Address of Property: 801 North McGuire Avenue, Monroe, Louisiana 71203.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above described property unto said Grantee, its successors and assigns, forever.

AND NOW, hereby personally appears Dr. Nick J. Bruno, in his capacity as President of University of Louisiana at Monroe, on behalf of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System, who, in the presence of the undersigned witnesses and Notary accepts the said donation made unto the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System aforesaid and acknowledges due delivery and possession of the above described property so donated to it.

THUS DONE AND PASSED in the presence of the undersigned competent and attesting witnesses who sign their names together with the said parties, and me, Notary, on this _____ day of _____, 2016.

WITNESSES:

GRANTOR
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA MONROE
FACILITIES, INC.

Printed Name: _____

By: R. Scott McDonald, President

Printed Name: _____

Notary Public
Printed Name: Charles Herold
Notary ID No.: 16329
Commission Expires: At Death

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF OUACHITA

THUS DONE AND PASSED in the presence of the undersigned competent and attesting witnesses who sign their names together with the said parties, and me, Notary, on this _____ day of _____, 2016.

WITNESSES:

GRANTEE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM

Printed Name: _____

By: _____
Dr. Nick J. Bruno, President
University of Louisiana at Monroe

Printed Name: _____

Notary Public
Printed Name: Charles Herold
Notary ID No.: 16329
Commission Expires: At Death

**CERTIFICATE OF THE SECRETARY OF
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA MONROE FACILITIES, INC.**

BE IT KNOWN, that on this _____ day of _____, 2016, before me, the undersigned Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified to act as such personally came and appeared, University of Louisiana Monroe Facilities, Inc., a Louisiana non-profit corporation, who stated the following is a true and correct copy of a resolution unanimously adopted by a specially called and legally convened meeting of the Board of Directors of said corporation held on the _____ day of _____, 2016.

BE IT RESOLVED that R. Scott McDonald, President, is hereby authorized and empowered for and on behalf of this corporation to donate Lot 8 of Block 18 of Cole Addition to the City of Monroe, Louisiana, as per plat filed in Plat Book 3, page 4, records of Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, to the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that R. Scott McDonald, President, is hereby fully authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents, containing such terms and conditions as may be necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

As Secretary of this corporation, the undersigned does hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution mentioned and passed in the preamble to this instrument and that said resolution has not been canceled or rescinded.

WITNESS my hand, as the Official Act of this Corporation on this _____ day of _____, 2016.

Secretary
Printed Name: Dan Robertson

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me, Notary Public, on this _____ day of _____, 2016.

Notary Public
Printed Name: Charles Herold
Notary ID No.: 16329
Commission Expires: At Death

Discussion/Action

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Item G.3. **Northwestern State University's** request for approval to name the Student Services Center the "*Jimmy D. Long Student Services Center.*"

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The University requests approval to name its Student Services Center the "*Jimmy D. Long Student Services Center.*" Mr. Jimmy D. Long, Sr., who served in the Louisiana House of Representatives for 32 consecutive years and as a member of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System from 2001 until his death on August 9, 2016, was a powerful voice in support of Northwestern and other Louisiana universities. He sponsored and guided through the House and Senate legislation to create the Louisiana Scholars' College at Northwestern, which is the state's only designated Honors College. Mr. Long was also at the forefront of establishing, in Natchitoches, the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, a residential high school for gifted and talented students.

Officially recognized by colleagues in the House and Senate during his eighth term in office as "Dean of the Legislature," Mr. Long served for 16 years as Chairman of the House Education Committee. For years he was also a member of the Board of Directors of the 16-state Southern Regional Education Board.

See attached for further information.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

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 to name the Student Services Center the "*Jimmy D. Long Student Services Center.*"



November 10, 2016

Dr. Daniel Reneau, President
University of Louisiana System
1201 North Third Street, Suite 7-300
Baton Rouge, La. 70802

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Dear Dr. Reneau:

This is to request approval from the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System for Northwestern State University to name the Student Services Center building at NSU in honor of the late Jimmy D. Long, Sr.

Mr. Long, who served in the Louisiana House of Representatives for 32 consecutive years and as a member of the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System from 2001 until his death on Aug. 9, was a powerful voice for decades in support of Northwestern and other Louisiana universities. He sponsored and guided through the House and Senate legislation to create at Northwestern the Louisiana Scholars' College, which is the state's only designated honors college. Mr. Long was also at the forefront of establishing in Natchitoches the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, a residential high school for gifted and talented students.

As a legislator and later as a member of Northwestern's governing board, Mr. Long helped obtain millions of dollars over the years to enhance and upgrade buildings and other facilities at the university. He was also influential in gaining approval for numerous academic programs at the university, which was his alma mater.

It would be appropriate for Northwestern and the state of Louisiana to honor this extraordinary leader in state government by naming the Student Services Center that opened in 2013 the Jimmy D. Long, Sr., Student Services Center. That name would underscore and perpetuate his legacy as one of the most effective advocates for Northwestern, other colleges and universities and education at every level in Louisiana history.

Officially recognized by colleagues in the House and Senate during his eighth term in office as "Dean of the Legislature," Mr. Long served for 16 years as chairman of the House Education Committee. He was also a member of the Board of Directors for years of the 16-state southern Regional Education Board.

Cited by the Shreveport Times as one of the "100 Most Influential People of the Century" in Northwest Louisiana, Mr. Long received the Lifetime Service Award in Education from the State Board of Regents for Higher Education. A member of the Louisiana Political Hall of Fame, Mr. Long was also honored as a Louisiana Legend by the Friends of Louisiana Public Broadcasting.

Because of his lifetime of service to Louisiana as a member of the Legislature and of the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System and his support, love and loyalty for Northwestern State University, faculty, staff, students and alumni of the university would be honored for the Student Services Center to be named in memory and in lasting tribute to Jimmy D. Long, Sr.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Jim Henderson
President

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE
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December 8, 2016

- Item G.5.** **University of Louisiana at Lafayette's** request for approval to waive the leasing requirements of *Policy and Procedures Memorandum FP-VI.IV.-1a, Immovable Property*, as they relate to the Louisiana Immersive Technologies Enterprise (LITE) Facility, and authorize the President of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette to lease space in the LITE Facility to tenants.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The University is requesting that the President be given authority to sign lease agreements for tenants in the LITE Facility for leases greater than 5,000 square feet. The LITE Commission was established by Act No. 624 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature with the approval and cooperation of Louisiana Economic Development, Lafayette Economic Development Authority, and the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. The LITE Commission was created as a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana to develop, operate, and maintain the LITE building and its mission. Since then, the LITE Commission has been responsible for the operation and maintenance of the LITE Facility and delivering on its economic development mission. However, the operational needs of the LITE Facility and its physical plant have grown substantially over the past ten years.

At its May 23, 2016 meeting, the LITE Commission made an official request to the University to submit a proposal to the LITE Commission with a long-term plan regarding how the University could help manage the LITE Facility and assist LITE in meeting its primary mission. On July 28, 2016, the University submitted a proposal in response to the LITE Commission's request. The Commission concluded that the transition of the LITE Facility and LITE's assets to the University was the best way to ensure that LITE's mission continues to be fostered and supported. On November 9, 2016, a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement that proposes a transition plan of LITE to the University was approved by unanimous vote of the LITE Commission.

Due to LITE's technology-based economic development mission and in order to attract suitable tenants that further that mission, flexibility in leasing is an absolute necessity. Note that there is no use of State funds. In fact, under the management plan, starting January 1, 2017, LITE will provide funds to the University to manage and operate the LITE Facility. Upon the dissolution of the Commission, expected during the 2017 Louisiana Legislative Session, approximately \$1.5M in funds will be transferred from the LITE Commission to the University for ongoing support of the LITE Facility.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

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 to waive the leasing requirements of Policy and Procedures Memorandum FP-VI.IV.-1a, Immovable Property, as they relate to the LITE Facility, and to authorize the President of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette to lease space in accordance with applicable state laws and regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette and his or her designee are hereby authorized and directed to execute all documents described herein and any and all documents necessary in connection with the leasing of space to tenants in the LITE Facility.

AND FURTHER, that the University of Louisiana at Lafayette will provide the System office with copies of all final executed leasing agreements for notification to the Board.



November 16, 2016

Dr. Daniel D. Reneau, Jr.
Interim President
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Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Dear Dr. Reneau:

This is a request to waive the leasing requirements of UL System PPM FP-VI.IV.-1a as it relates to the Louisiana Immersive Technologies Enterprise (LITE) Facility and authorize the President of University of Louisiana at Lafayette to lease space in the LITE Facility to tenants.

Please place this item on the agenda for consideration at the December 2016 meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. Joseph Savoie".

E. Joseph Savoie
President

SVC