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University of Louisiana System Board to Participate in Professional Development

Focus on Improving Student Access and Success

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McNeese State University

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Northwestern State University

Southeastern Louisiana
University

University of Louisiana at
Lafayette

University of Louisiana at Monroe

BATON ROUGE, La. - The Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System and campus presidents will travel to North Louisiana for a two-day professional development seminar next week. Nationally renowned speakers will present research on student participation rates and achievement in order to foster discussions on improving student access and success at the eight UL System universities.

WHAT: UL System Board Professional Development

WHEN: Sept. 26-27, 2007

WHERE: Squire Creek Country Club, Choudrant, Louisiana

The two-day events include meeting with Louisiana Community and Technical College System President Joe May to reinforce the partnership between the two systems and a dinner meeting with The Committee of 100 to strengthen relationships with business and industry.

Keynote speakers Kati Haycock, President of The Education Trust and Jan Somerville, Executive Director of the National Association of System Heads, will present the national Access and Success Initiative, to which the UL System and 23 other higher education systems across the country have committed. More information about this initiative can be found on the system's website, www.ulsystem.net.

The professional development agenda is available at www.ulsystem.net, by clicking on "Board" then "Board Meetings."

**Dr. Sally Clausen
President**

The UL System:

- Ranks among the 20 largest public systems in the U.S.
- Enrolls almost 80,000 students
- Employs over 8,000 faculty/ staff
- Awards more than half of the public college degrees in Louisiana