



UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM

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UL SYSTEM NEWS

Recap of Official Business of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System

Dr. Sally Clausen
President

Board of Supervisors

- Mrs. Elsie P. Burkhalter, Chair
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- Mrs. Consuelo Rougeau
- Dr. Eunice W. Smith
- Mr. Michael H. Woods

Universities

- Grambling State University
- Louisiana Tech University
- McNeese State University
- Nicholls State University
- Northwestern State University
- Southeastern Louisiana University
- University of Louisiana at Lafayette
- University of Louisiana at Monroe

ULS Board Congratulates Clausen; Thanks Her for Service

The Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System congratulated UL System President Sally Clausen today on her appointment as Commissioner of Higher Education with the Louisiana Board of Regents.

ULS Board Chair Elsie Burkhalter of Slidell thanked Clausen for her service.

“You have brought universities from the brink of disaster; you have championed teacher education, service-learning and student success; you have enforced accountability; and you have presided over the unprecedented public hiring of five university presidents. Sally, you are the embodiment of exceptional leadership,” said Burkhalter.

Board member Andre Coudrain of Hammond expressed grati-



Dr. Sally Clausen

tude that Clausen is staying in Louisiana.

“She’s still part of the team. She’s just changing positions,” said Coudrain.

Board Parliamentarian Wayne Parker of Ruston praised Clausen for her service.

“Dr. Clausen has a passion for education that shows in everything she does, and it is contagious. While it will be hard to replace her, Louisiana is fortunate to have her leading higher education,” said Parker.

Chair Burkhalter announced she plans to have conversations with all board members individually and the Board’s Executive Committee will meet in a couple of weeks to discuss next steps for selecting a replacement for Clausen.

Dr. Sally Clausen has served as President of the University of Louisiana System since 2001.

Universities Awarded \$400,000 in Performance Funding

During today’s inaugural meeting of the UL System Special Committee on Access to Success and Accountability, the Board awarded over \$400,000 in performance funding to its eight universities.



Northwestern State University receives a check from the Board. More photos are on Page 2.

This year’s performance funding was based on campus improvements in average student ACT scores, ACT student opinion surveys, first-time freshmen retention, and graduation rates.

“We want to reward documented progress by our universities and continue to invest in the good work they are doing to benefit Louisiana’s students,” said Committee Chair Wayne Parker.

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In keeping with the UL System’s initiative to

improve student access and success, performance dollars are to be used for programs that relate to expanding student enrollment, progression and graduation.

University	Amount
Grambling	\$46,154
Louisiana Tech	\$46,154
McNeese	\$52,308
Nicholls	\$49,231
Northwestern	\$52,308
Southeastern	\$52,308
UL Lafayette	\$52,308
UL Monroe	\$49,231

For more information about the Access to Success Initiative visit www.ulsystem.net.

For More Information Contact: Jackie Tisdell, 225-342-6950 or visit www.ulsystem.net

**PERFORMANCE FUNDING
CHECK PRESENTATIONS**



Grambling State University



Louisiana Tech University



McNeese State University



Nicholls State University



Southeastern Louisiana University



University of Louisiana at Lafayette



University of Louisiana at Monroe

Board Action

The Board of Supervisors for the UL System approved the following university requests:

Academic and Student Affairs

- Grambling: Letter of Intent for a Bachelor of Arts degree program in Film Studies
- Grambling: Curriculum Proposal for a Master of Science degree program in Nursing, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner
- Grambling: Memorandum of Understanding with the Dallas County Community College District
- McNeese: offer a post-secondary certificate program in Kodaly Studies
- Nicholls: combined letter of intent and proposal for a Bachelor of Science degree program in Athletic Training Science
- Northwestern: award an Honorary Doctorate of Humanities to Mr. Joseph Dow at the spring 2008 commencement exercises

- Southeastern: Proposal for a Bachelor of Science degree program in Engineering Technology
- UL Monroe: reorganize its Office of Graduate Studies and Research into (1) The Graduate School and (2) The Office of Sponsored Programs and Research

Athletic

- Grambling: contractual agreement with Mr. Rod Broadway, Head Men's Football Coach, effective February 7, 2008
- UL Lafayette: demolish

agreement with Mr. Rod Broadway, Head Men's Football Coach, effective February 7, 2008

- Southeastern: contractual agreement with Ms. Lori Jones, Head Women's Basketball Coach, for the period October 1, 2007 to April 30, 2010
- Southeastern: contractual agreement with Mr. Tim Baldwin, Head Golf Coach, for the period October 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

Facilities Planning

- Louisiana Tech: rename the University's baseball complex the J.C. Love Field at Pat Patterson Park
- Louisiana Tech: authorize the State Mineral Board to offer for lease two 80-acre tracts in Winn Parish
- McNeese: enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the McNeese State University Foundation involving the lease of the Fuller Farm property for the purpose of conducting farm-related teaching and research

- McNeese: construct improvements to the McNeese State University's Quadrangle in accordance with the provisions set forth in Act 959 of 2003

- McNeese: purchase approximately 2.1 acres of undeveloped property located along Common Street from Cardone-Gillard, LLC for \$200,000

five buildings located on the main campus

- UL Lafayette: enter into a Ground Lease Agreement and Agreement to Lease with Option to Purchase with Ragin' Cajun Facilities, Inc. to install synthetic turf and other improvements in Cajun field

Finance

- Northwestern: revise Scholarships and Fee Exemptions
- UL Monroe: student referendum to increase a self-assessed fee
- UL System: establish LEQSF (8g) Endowed Professorships/Chairs at all eight universities (Contact Jackie Tisdell for a full list)

Legislation

- Update on Louisiana Legislature's 2008 1st Extraordinary Session

Personnel

- Grambling: appoint Dr. Matthew Uwakonye as Interim Dean of the College of Business effective January 2, 2008
- Louisiana Tech: appoint Mr. Michael A. DiCarlo as Dean of Library Services effective March 1, 2008
- Southeastern: appoint Dr. Jerald Ainsworth as Dean of Research and Graduate Studies effective March 3, 2008

CRISIS COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING

University presidents and communications directors participated in a four-hour training session Feb. 28 with consultant Ronnie Jones on how to manage and communicate during and after emergency situations.

