

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE**  
**UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM**  
**June 25, 2020**

A. **Call to Order/Roll Call**

On Thursday, June 25, 2020, The Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System met in Rockhold Rooms C&D of the Cecil P. Picard Center for Child Development in Lafayette, Louisiana, with an option to participate virtually. The authority to operate in this manner was in accordance with Executive Order JBE 2020-75. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Mark Romero at 11:01 a.m. A quorum was established.

**PRESENT**  
**(Lafayette)**

Ms. Olivia Bailey	Ms. Elizabeth Pierre
Ms. Mildred “Mimi” Methvin	Mr. Mark Romero
Mr. Shawn Murphy	

**PRESENT**  
**(Zoom)**

Mr. James Carter	Mr. Thomas Kitchen
Dr. Jimmy Clarke	Mr. Alejandro “Al” Perkins*
Mr. Edward Crawford	Mr. Virgil Robinson
Ms. Lola Dunahoe	Mr. Joe Salter
Dr. Pamela Egan	

**ABSENT**

Dr. John Condos	Ms. Kristine Russell
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Also onsite or on the call were System President Jim Henderson, System staff, administrators and faculty representatives from System campuses, and Attorney Brandon DeCuir.

B. **Invocation**

Board Member Joe Salter opened the meeting with an invocation.

C. **Student Board Member Transition Ceremony and Administration of Oath of Office to Ms. Olivia Bailey, Student Board Member**

Chair Romero acknowledged Ms. Rachel Lautigar, 2019-20 Student Board Member, as being present and asked her to join him for a presentation. Mr. Romero stated that a scholarship was being instituted for the outgoing Student Board Member, and he announced a \$5,000 scholarship to help Ms. Lautigar with her postgraduate studies at Louisiana State University. Ms. Lautigar thanked the Board for the thoughtful and generous gift, and Mr. Romero also commended Board members and others for contributing to the scholarship.

System Executive Vice President Marcus Jones administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Olivia Bailey, who will serve as 2020-21 Student Board Member. Ms. Bailey thanked Dr. Henderson and the Board for their encouraging and welcoming comments and stated her gratitude to the Student Government Association (SGA) officers for electing her.

Ms. Erica Calais, System Vice President for Student Affairs and Governance, took the opportunity to announce the new 2020-21 SGA Presidents:

Grambling State University	-	Steven Jackson
Louisiana Tech University	-	Zac Little
McNeese State University	-	Gavin Labiche
Nicholls State University	-	Ethan Naquin
Northwestern State University	-	Nick Hopkins
Southeastern Louisiana University	-	L'Oreal Williams
University of Louisiana at Lafayette	-	Hailey Boutte
University of Louisiana at Monroe	-	Olivia Bailey
University of New Orleans	-	Julianne Romero

D. **Certification of Inability to Operate due to Lack of Quorum**

Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Ms. Pierre, the Board voted by roll call vote to approve the Certification of Inability to Operate due to Lack of Quorum. The following members voted aye: Ms. Bailey, Mr. Carter, Dr. Clarke, Mr. Crawford, Ms. Dunahoe, Dr. Egan, Mr. Kitchen, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Perkins, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, and Mr. Salter. There were no opposing votes.

E. **Approval of Minutes of April 23, 2020 Regular and May 12, 2020 Special Board Meetings**

Upon motion of Ms. Methvin, seconded by Ms. Bailey, the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System approved the minutes of the April 23, 2020 Regular and May 12, 2020 Special Board Meetings by roll call vote. The following members voted aye: Ms. Bailey, Mr. Carter, Dr. Clarke, Mr. Crawford, Ms. Dunahoe, Dr. Egan, Mr. Kitchen, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Perkins, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, and Mr. Salter. There were no opposing votes.

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Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Ms. Pierre, the Board voted to suspend the rules and dispense with Committee deliberations to allow the Board to consider all items on the agenda. Upon roll call vote, the following members voted aye: Ms. Bailey, Mr. Carter, Dr. Clarke, Mr. Crawford, Ms. Dunahoe, Dr. Egan, Mr. Kitchen, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Perkins, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, and Mr. Salter. There were no opposing votes.

F. **Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

Chair Dunahoe asked Dr. Jeannine Kahn, System Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, to present the agenda items.

After Dr. Kahn's description of Items F.1.-F.5., upon motion of Dr. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the items were approved by roll call vote, with the following members voting aye: Ms. Bailey, Mr. Carter, Dr. Clarke, Mr. Crawford, Ms. Dunahoe, Dr. Egan, Mr. Kitchen, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Perkins, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, and Mr. Salter. There were no opposing votes.

- F.1. Grambling State University's request for approval of an Undergraduate Certificate (UC) in Data Analytics.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Grambling State University's request to offer an Undergraduate Certificate in Data Analytics.*

- F.2. McNeese State University's request for approval of a Post Baccalaureate Certificate (PBC) in Special Education Mild/Moderate for Secondary Education Grades 6-12.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves McNeese State University's request to offer a Post Baccalaureate Certificate (PBC) in Special Education Mild/Moderate for Secondary Education Grades 6-12.*

- F.3. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of an Associate of General Studies.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Southeastern Louisiana University's request to offer an Associate of General Studies.*

Dr. John Crain, President of Southeastern Louisiana University, answered questions regarding the justification for the degree considering it is a two-year degree program.

- F.4. University of New Orleans' request for approval of a Ph.D. in Justice Studies.

***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 of a Ph.D. in Justice Studies.*

Dr. John Nicklow, President of University of New Orleans, provided background and justification for the Ph.D. program.

- F.5. University of Louisiana System's request for approval to enter into a Course and Services Agreement with StraighterLine, Inc. for Compete LA students.

***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 enter into a Course and Services Agreement with StraighterLine, Inc. for Compete LA students.*

F.6. Bridging the Digital Divide Summer Series

Dr. Claire Norris, System Associate Vice President for Diversity, Inclusion, and Effectiveness, shared with the Board the *Bridging the Digital Divide Summer Series*, which was designed to offer a slate of professional development opportunities to better prepare faculty and staff to digitally serve students. The summer series will run June 22, 2020 through August 7, 2020.

G. Athletic Committee

Committee Chair Murphy asked Mr. Bruce Janet, System Director of Internal and External Audits, to describe the items for consideration.

G.1. Update on COVID-19 Plans for Athletics

Mr. Marcus Jones gave a report on the status of athletics for the System campuses in the near term. He shared a chart that included, by campus, the number of student-athlete voluntary workouts, voluntary returns, mandatory returns, number of student-athletes on campus, dates to return to campus, number and types of COVID-19 screenings, those individuals (staff and/or students) screened, and positive cases and status of those positive cases.

He stated that all football teams in the System plan for on-time start, and capacity for spectators will be specific to each institution.

In addition, Athletic Directors of Grambling State University and University of New Orleans, David Ponton and Tim Duncan, updated the Board with their plans and considerations. Both stated that (1) the safety of the student-athletes is paramount and (2) budget cuts as well as losses from athletics are expected.

There were considerable questions and concerns from the Board members. This was a report only.

Upon motion of Ms. Methvin, seconded by Mr. Romero, the Board voted by roll call to approve Items G.2.-G.20. The following members voted aye: Ms. Bailey, Mr. Carter, Dr. Clarke, Mr. Crawford, Ms. Dunahoe, Dr. Egan, Mr. Kitchen, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Perkins, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, and Mr. Salter. There were no opposing votes.

G.2. McNeese State University's request for approval of a contract with Ms. Giorgia Pozzan, Head Women's Tennis Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

***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 a contract with Ms. Giorgia Pozzan, Head Women's Tennis Coach, effective July 1, 2020.***

- G.3. McNeese State University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Michael E. Fluty, Head Women's Golf Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

***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 a contract with Mr. Michael E. Fluty, Head Women's Golf Coach, effective July 1, 2020.*

- G.4. McNeese State University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Derek Plucienski, Head Men's Golf Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

***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 a contract with Mr. Derek Plucienski, Head Men's Golf Coach, effective July 1, 2020.*

- G.5. McNeese State University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Brendon James Gilroy, Head Men/Women's Track Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

***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 a contract with Mr. Brendon James Gilroy, Head Men/Women's Track Coach, effective July 1, 2020.*

- G.6. Nicholls State University's request for approval of supplemental compensation to certain Athletic Department employees.

***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 compensation to certain Athletic Department employees.*

- G.7. Northwestern State University's request for approval of a contract with Ms. Anna Nimz, Head Women's Basketball Coach, effective April 20, 2020.

***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 contract with Ms. Anna Nimz, Head Women's Basketball Coach, effective April 20, 2020.*

- G.8. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Timothy Donnelly, Associate Baseball Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

***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 contract with Mr. Timothy Donnelly, Associate Baseball Coach, effective July 1, 2020.*

- G.9. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Benjamin Gipson, Assistant Baseball Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

***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 contract with Mr. Benjamin Gipson, Assistant Baseball Coach, effective July 1, 2020.*

- G.10. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Kenneth Lee, Jr., Associate Women's Basketball Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

***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 contract with Mr. Kenneth Lee, Jr., Associate Women's Basketball Coach, effective July 1, 2020.*

- G.11. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Corey Mistretta, Head Track and Field Coach, effective August 1, 2020.

***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 contract with Mr. Corey Mistretta, Head Track and Field Coach, effective August 1, 2020.*

- G.12. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. William Jake Narro, Head Golf Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

***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 contract with Mr. William Jake Narro, Head Golf Coach, effective July 1, 2020.*

- G.13. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. James Matthew Riser, Head Men's Baseball Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

***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 contract with Mr. James Matthew Riser, Head Men's Baseball Coach, effective July 1, 2020.*

- G.14. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Austin Armstrong, Assistant Football Coach, effective March 6, 2020.

***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 contract with Mr. Austin Armstrong, Assistant Football Coach, effective March 6, 2020.*

- G.15. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Robby Discher, Assistant Football Coach, effective March 6, 2020.

***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 contract with Mr. Robby Discher, Assistant Football Coach, effective March 6, 2020.*

- G.16. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of the first amendment to a contract with Dr. Bryan Maggard, Director of Athletics, effective July 1, 2019.

***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 a contract with Dr. Bryan Maggard, Director of Athletics, effective July 1, 2019.*

- G.17. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of an amended and restated contract with Ms. Heather Mazeitis-Fontenot, Head Volleyball Coach, effective February 1, 2020.

***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 an amended and restated contract with Ms. Heather Mazeitis-Fontenot, Head Volleyball Coach, effective February 1, 2020.*

- G.18. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval of contractual amendments with Mr. Tim Baldwin, Head Men's Golf Coach, effective April 1, 2020.

***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 contractual amendments with Mr. Tim Baldwin, Head Men's Golf Coach, effective April 1, 2020.*

- G.19. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Matt Viator, Head Football Coach, effective July 1, 2020.

***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 a contract with Mr. Matt Viator, Head Football Coach, effective July 1, 2020.*

- G.20. University of New Orleans' request for approval of a contract with Ms. Keeshawn Davenport, Head Women's Basketball Coach, effective May 1, 2020.

***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 of a contract with Ms. Keeshawn Davenport, Head Women's Basketball Coach, effective May 1, 2020.*

Mr. Bruce Janet said that the National Collegiate Athletic Association had reported on the Academic Progress Rates (APR) of Division 1 teams. For the UL System, 119 athletic teams exceeded benchmarks.

H. **Facilities Planning Committee**

Committee Chair Perkins asked Mr. Janet to present the items listed on the agenda of the Facilities Planning Committee.

Dr. Jay Clune, President of Nicholls State University, described the justification and urgency for requesting Item H.9. for Board approval. Questions concerning this item had been submitted to the UL System website by Nicholls State University alumnus and community member, Mr. Denis Gaubert.

Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Carter, the Board voted by roll call vote to approve Consent Items H.1. through H.8. and Discussion Item H.9. The following members voted aye: Ms. Bailey, Mr. Carter, Dr. Clarke, Mr. Crawford, Ms. Dunahoe, Dr. Egan, Mr. Kitchen, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Perkins, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, and Mr. Salter. There were no opposing votes.

H.1. Louisiana Tech University's request for approval to demolish Cottingham Hall, Richardson Hall, and Mitchell Hall.

***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 demolish Cottingham Hall, Richardson Hall, and Mitchell Hall.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the President of Louisiana Tech University and his or her designee are hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents associated said demolitions.*

***AND FURTHER,** that the University will provide Board Staff with copies of approvals and recovery activities.*

H.2. McNeese State University's request for approval to enter into a Ground Lease Agreement with McNeese State University Foundation (Foundation) to install artificial turf at Joe Miller Ballpark and to enter into a related Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Foundation and the Lake Charles/Southwest Louisiana Convention and Visitor's Bureau.

***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 enter into a ground lease agreement with the McNeese State University Foundation to install artificial turf at Joe Miller Ballpark and to enter into the related cooperative endeavor agreement with the McNeese Foundation and the Lake Charles/Southwest Louisiana Convention and Visitor's Bureau.*



***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that McNeese State 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 McNeese State University and his or her designee are hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents associated with said lease and cooperative endeavor agreement by the University of Louisiana System on behalf of and for the use of McNeese State University.

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

- H.3. Nicholls State University's request for approval to name the greenhouse the "Arlen Cenac Greenhouse."

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Nicholls State University's request to approval to name the greenhouse the "Arlen Cenac Greenhouse."

- H.4. Nicholls State University's request for approval to name the Convergence Media Center in Talbot Hall the "Desalvo-Callais Family Student Media Center."

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Nicholls State University's request to approval to name the Convergence Media Center in Talbot Hall the "Desalvo-Callais Family Student Media Center."

- H.5. Nicholls State University's request for approval to name the newly constructed addition to Barker Hall Athletics Complex "The Boucvalt Family Athletic Center."

***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 to name the newly constructed addition to Barker Hall Athletics Complex in the south end zone of John L. Guidry Stadium the "Boucvalt Family Athletic Complex."

- H.6. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to rename the Lagniappe Theatre inside Bayou Pointe to "Camile W. Currier Student Theatre."

***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 to rename Lagniappe Theatre inside Bayou Pointe Event Center to "Camile W. Currier Student Theatre."

- H.7. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to proceed with the First Amendment to the Grounds and Facilities Lease between the University of Louisiana at Monroe and the University of Louisiana Monroe Facilities, Inc. for the property located at 870 Hwy. 80 East, Monroe, LA 71203.

***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 the First Amendment to the Grounds and Facilities Lease between University of Louisiana at Monroe and University of Louisiana Monroe Facilities, Inc. for the property and facilities located at 870 Hwy. 80 East, Monroe, LA 71203.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that the Board approves the sublease of the property by ULMFI to an entity for the purpose of maintaining and enhancing improvements to the existing facilities, generating income to the University and upon the entity consummating a Research and Fee Agreement with ULM.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that University of Louisiana at Monroe 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 or Interim President of the University of Louisiana at Monroe and his or her designee is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents associated with said sublease by the University of Louisiana System on behalf of and for the use of the University of Louisiana at Monroe.

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

- H.8. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to demolish the ULM Soccer House located at 4709 Bon Aire Drive on the campus of the University.

***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 to demolish the Soccer House located at 4709 Bon Aire Drive on the campus of the University.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that the President or Interim President of the University of Louisiana at Monroe and his or her designee are hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents associated with said demolition.

***AND FURTHER***, that the University is hereby authorized to seek necessary external approvals for demolition.

- H.9. Nicholls State University's request for approval to initially lease the Carmel Inn and Suites, and subsequently purchase it, located at 400 East First Street, Thibodaux, Louisiana 70301.

***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 to initially lease the Carmel Inn and Suites, and subsequently purchase it, located at 400 East First Street, Thibodaux, Louisiana 70301.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that prior to execution of final lease and purchase documents, Nicholls State University shall: (a) provide evidence to the UL System office and legal counsel from agencies/parties with transaction process oversight that all transactional and administrative requirements have been satisfied; (b) obtain final review and approval from UL System staff; and, (c) obtain approval from legal counsel that all necessary actions and approvals have been obtained and that documents are in appropriate order for execution.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that the President of Nicholls State University and/or his designee are hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to execute the lease and purchase of the Carmel Inn and Suites property at such times as deemed appropriate to facilitate the lease and purchase transactions approved by this resolution.

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

I. **Finance Committee**

Mr. Kitchen asked staff to present the campus requests. Mr. Charles Wendt, System Director of Accounting and Financial Analysis, and Mr. Bruce Janet introduced the items.

Upon motion of Ms. Dunahoe, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Board voted to **remove Item I.2.** per request of Dr. John Crain, President of Southeastern Louisiana University. The following members voted aye by roll call vote: Ms. Bailey, Mr. Carter, Dr. Clarke, Mr. Crawford, Ms. Dunahoe, Dr. Egan, Mr. Kitchen, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, and Mr. Salter. There were no votes in opposition.

Upon motion of Ms. Pierre, seconded by Ms. Dunahoe, the Board voted by roll call vote to approve Items I.1, I.3., and I.4. The following voted aye: Ms. Bailey, Mr. Carter, Dr. Clarke, Mr. Crawford, Ms. Dunahoe, Dr. Egan, Mr. Kitchen, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Perkins, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, and Mr. Salter. There were no opposing votes.

- I.1. McNeese State University's request for approval to offer a 20% tuition discount to College of Education students entering certain alternative certification and degree programs.

***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 offer a 20% discount on tuition to students entering alternative certification programs for initial-teacher certification and Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction and Master of Educational Technology Leadership within the Burton College of Education.

- I.2. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval to implement a per credit hour tuition rate for online programs.

**This item was deferred per request of the University.**

I.3. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of 2020-21 Meal Rates.

***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 Meal Plan Rates for Academic Year 2020-21.*

I.4. University of Louisiana System's request for approval of the Board Operations and System Universities' Fiscal Year 2020-21 Internal Audit Plans.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves the Board Operations and System Universities' Fiscal Year 2020-21 Internal Audit Plans.*

I.5. University of Louisiana System's report on internal and external audits for the period of April 20 to June 21, 2020.

Mr. Janet discussed the audit activity for the period described. No action was required by the Board.

I.6. University of Louisiana System's discussion of Fiscal Year 2019-20 third quarter financial reports and ongoing assurances.

Mr. Wendt provided a report and there was extensive discussion. This was a report only, and no action was required by the Board.

J. **Personnel Committee**

Mr. Robinson asked Mr. Marcus Jones to present the campus requests.

Upon motion of Ms. Dunahoe, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Board voted by roll call to approve Items J.1.-J.7. The following members voted aye: Ms. Bailey, Mr. Carter, Dr. Clarke, Mr. Crawford, Ms. Dunahoe, Dr. Egan, Mr. Kitchen, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Perkins, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, and Mr. Salter. There were no opposing votes.

J.1. McNeese State University's request for approval to appoint Dr. Wade Anthony Rouse as Vice President for University Advancement effective July 1, 2020.

***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 appoint Dr. Wade Anthony Rouse as Vice President for University Advancement effective July 1, 2020.*

President Burckel introduced Dr. Rouse as the new Vice President for University Advancement. Dr. Rouse said that he was happy to return home and humbled to serve McNeese in this new capacity.

In addition, President Burckel congratulated Dr. Michael Snowden for his appointment as Interim Vice President for Diversity and Inclusion at Northwestern State University. Dr. Snowden has served as McNeese State University's chief diversity officer since 2011.

- J.2. Northwestern State University's request for approval to reappoint Ms. Frances Conine as Interim Vice President for the Student Experience and Dean of Students effective July 1, 2020.

***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 reappoint Ms. Frances Conine as Interim Vice President for the Student Experience and Dean of Students effective July 1, 2020.***

- J.3. Northwestern State University's request for approval to reappoint Dr. Francene Lemoine as Interim Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences effective July 1, 2020.

***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 reappoint Dr. Francene Lemoine as Interim Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences effective July 1, 2020.***

- J.4. Northwestern State University's request for approval to appoint Dr. Michael Snowden as Interim Vice President for Diversity and Inclusion effective August 3, 2020.

***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 appoint Dr. Michael Snowden as Interim Vice President for Diversity and Inclusion effective August 3, 2020.***

President Chris Maggio introduced Dr. Snowden. He stated appreciation to his family, Dr. Maggio, Dr. Burckel, and Dr. Ieyoub for their support. He said that his focus is removing barriers to success.

- J.5. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to reappoint Dr. Geralyn McClure Franklin as Interim Dean of the B.I. Moody III College of Business Administration effective July 1, 2020.

***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 to reappoint Dr. Geralyn McClure Franklin as Interim Dean of the B.I. Moody III College of Business Administration effective July 1, 2020.***

- J.6. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to appoint Dr. Valerie Fields as Interim Vice President of Student Affairs effective July 1, 2020.

***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 to appoint Dr. Valerie Fields as Interim Vice President of Student Affairs effective July 1, 2020.***

Interim President Edwin Litolff introduced Dr. Valerie Fields. She said that she was excited to return home and thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve the University.

- J.7. University of New Orleans' request for approval to appoint Dr. Pamela Kennett-Hensel as Interim Dean of College of Business effective July 1, 2020.

***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. Pamela Kennett-Hensel as Interim Dean of College of Business effective July 1, 2020.*

K. Legislation Committee

Mr. Salter, Chair, asked Ms. Cami Geisman to give a report.

- K.1. Update on 2020 Regular and First Extraordinary Sessions of the Louisiana Legislature

Ms. Cami Geisman, Vice President for External Affairs, updated the Board on the two 2020 legislative sessions. She said that the Regular Session concluded on June 1, with the First Extraordinary Session beginning that day at 6:00 p.m. Ms. Geisman reported that the Session would conclude on June 30, and the appropriations and autonomies bills were being discussed during the Session. She also stated that it was anticipated that a Second Extraordinary Session may be called.

L. System President's Business

- L.1. Personnel Actions

President Henderson said that System staff had reviewed all personnel actions from the campuses and recommends approval.

*Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Ms. Methvin, the Board voted by roll call to approve the System personnel actions.*

The following members voted aye: Ms. Bailey, Mr. Carter, Dr. Clarke, Mr. Crawford, Ms. Dunahoe, Dr. Egan, Mr. Kitchen, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Perkins, Ms. Pierre, and Mr. Romero. There were no opposing votes.

- L.2. System President's Report

- a. COVID-19 Recap

Basically, Dr. Henderson summarized the four guiding principles that the UL System has considered in response to the pandemic as being: (1) health; (2) continuity of learning; (3) financial health protection; and (4) welfare of society. He said that, as the Presidents address the issue, they are working with the students and campus staff. Also, to continue the discussion of effects and future planning, a joint meeting of the Finance Committee and Ad Hoc Committee on Pandemic Operations will be scheduled for late July.

b. Inclusion and Diversity

Dr. Claire Norris provided an overview of the System efforts around diversity and inclusion. She reminded the Board of its adoption of the 2017 UL System's Strategic Framework and 2018 Diversity Commitment. These Board approvals helped accelerate the System's work around (1) increasing diversity in the System's talent and leadership pipeline; (2) investing in and partnering with organizations that are committed to equity; (3) expanding trainings and educational resources for the System; and (4) increasing access and success across all populations. Dr. Norris emphasized the importance of employing data-driven strategies to do this work.

***ULM Search***

President Henderson indicated that the search for the next President of University of Louisiana at Monroe is progressing. He reported that the seven semifinalist interviews on the Monroe campus will be scheduled for the week of August 17. He also commended Dr. Edwin Litolff for assuming the position of Interim President and thanked him for his leadership during this important time.

L.3. Revision to Policy and Procedures Memorandum (PPM) S-II.XXI, Sexual Misconduct

Ms. Calais noted revisions to the Sexual Misconduct Policy and Procedures Memorandum. The purpose for changing the policy is to comply with recent updates to Title XI legislation and requirements. This was a report only and no Board approval was required.

M. **Board Chair's Business**

M.1. Board Chair's Report

Mr. Romero thanked Dr. Savoie and staff for hosting the Board meeting on campus at the Cecil P. Picard Center for Child Development.

M.2. Review of Legal Matters involving UL System Institutions (executive session will be required).

Upon motion of Ms. Dunahoe, seconded by Mr. Murphy, at 2:38 p.m., the Board voted by roll call vote to enter Executive Session to discuss legal matters involving UL System Institutions. The following aye vote was recorded: Ms. Bailey, Mr. Carter, Dr. Clarke, Ms. Dunahoe, Dr. Egan, Mr. Kitchen, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Perkins, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, and Mr. Salter. There were no votes in opposition.

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Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Ms. Pierre, the Board voted at 4:06 p.m. to reconvene in Open Session. Ms. Bailey, Ms. Dunahoe, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Perkins, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Romero, and Mr. Salter voted aye, and none was in opposition. Mr. Romero stated that no motions were made nor votes taken during Executive Session.

N. **Other Business**

There was no other business to come before the Board.

O. **Adjournment**

Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Ms. Bailey, at 4:09 p.m., the Board voted to adjourn.