

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE  
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM  
May 12, 2020**

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

The Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System met virtually utilizing Zoom technologies on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at 10:02 a.m.

**PRESENT**

Dr. Jimmy Clarke	Mr. Shawn Murphy
Dr. John Condos	Mr. Alejandro “Al” Perkins
Ms. Lola Dunahoe	Ms. Elizabeth Pierre
Dr. Pamela Egan	Mr. Virgil Robinson
Mr. Thomas Kitchen	Mr. Mark Romero
Ms. Rachel Lautigar	Ms. Kristine Russell
Ms. Mildred “Mimi” Methvin	Mr. Joe Salter

**ABSENT**

Mr. James Carter	Mr. Edward Crawford III
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Also present were the following: System President Jim Henderson, System staff, administrators and faculty representatives, and Attorneys Linda Clark and Brandon DeCuir.

B. **Invocation**

Mr. Joe Salter opened the meeting with an invocation.

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

Mr. Romero asked for a motion to approve the Certification of Inability to Operate due to Lack of Quorum, which enables the Board to meet virtually. Upon motion of Dr. Clarke, seconded by Ms. Methvin, the Board voted to approve the Certification. The following members voted affirmatively: Dr. Clarke, Dr. Condos, Ms. Dunahoe, Dr. Egan, Mr. Kitchen, Ms. Lautigar, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Perkins, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, Ms. Russell, and Mr. Salter. There were no opposing votes.

D. **Appointment of Interim President of University of Louisiana at Monroe**

Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Perkins, the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System voted to approve the following resolution:

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby appoints Dr. Edwin H. Litolff III as Interim President of University of Louisiana at Monroe effective June 1, 2010.*

The following affirmative votes by roll call were: Dr. Clarke, Dr. Condos, Ms. Dunahoe, Dr. Egan, Mr. Kitchen, Ms. Lautigar, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Perkins, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, Ms. Russell, and Mr. Salter. There were no opposing votes.

There were no public comments.

Dr. Henderson stated that he appreciates the feelings of uncertainty that the faculty, staff, and Monroe community are experiencing during the current search process. He said that the System is committed to a transparent search for the next President of University of Louisiana at Monroe.

Dr. Litolff said that he appreciated the opportunity to serve as Interim President and that he will take the challenge seriously. He indicated that he will work with Dr. Nick Bruno and seek his counsel as well as work with the University's faculty and staff to do what is in the best interest of the University.

E. **Other Business**

Mr. Romero stated that the next ULM Presidential Search Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 18, at 1:30 p.m. currently as a virtual meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to review applicant information and select semifinalists to be interviewed in August on the campus.

Ms. Lautigar also took the opportunity to thank the Board for her year as Student Board member. She also thanked Mr. Romero for allowing her to remain engaged as advisory member on the ULM Presidential Search Committee until the conclusion of the search. She also invited the Board members to watch the University of Louisiana at Lafayette virtual commencement ceremony on Friday, May 15, at 10:00 a.m. as she graduates.

Dr. Henderson also reminded members of the Ad Hoc Committee on Post Pandemic Operations that a meeting is scheduled for May 28, currently as a virtual meeting. He also invited all Board members to participate if their schedules allow.

In answer to a question about continuity in the System office during Dr. Litolff's absence, Dr. Henderson stated that other members of the staff will be available to provide assistance, particularly Bruce Janet, Marcus Jones, Kecia Neal, and Charles Wendt.

F. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Robinson, at 10:22 a.m., the Board voted to adjourn.