

MINUTES
BOARD OF REGENTS
June 27, 2002

The Board of Regents met in regular session at 9:12 a.m., Thursday, June 27, 2002, in the Board of Regents' Auditorium, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chair Richard D'Aquin called the meeting to order. Coordinator of Board Services, Ms. Helen Johnson, called the roll and a quorum was established.

Present for the meeting were:

Richard D'Aquin, Chair
Billy Blake
Scott Brame
Reggie Dupré
Frances Henry
William Oliver
Ron Roberts, Vice Chair
Virgil Robinson, Jr.
Pat Strong
Roland Toups, Secretary
Steven Sumbler, Student Member

Absent:

Robert Levy
Clifford Smith
Norbert Simmons
Artis Terrell, Jr.

OATH OF OFFICE

Regent Steven Sumbler, the newly elected student member of the Board of Regents, was administered the Oath of Office by Ms. Veronica Howard, Assistant Attorney General.

MINUTES APPROVED**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MAY 23, 2002**

On motion of Regent Blake, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of May 23, 2002, as circulated.

REGULAR BUSINESS**LEGISLATION**

Chair D'Aquin asked for a report on Legislation. On behalf of Regent Dupré, Vice-Chair of the Legislation Committee, Ms. Kim Hunter-Reed, Deputy Commissioner for Public Affairs, summarized the 2002 Regular Legislative session. Mr. Donald Vandal, Deputy Commissioner for Administration, gave a report on the status of state funding increases. He also provided the Board with staff proposal on principles and general guidelines for distribution of funds provided in three areas: Performance and Quality Improvement, the Governor's Biotechnology Initiative and the Community and Technical College and Academic Center Development Pool.

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to approve the principles and guidelines for distribution of funds provided in three areas: Performance and Quality Improvement, the Governor's Biotechnology Initiative and the Community and Technical College and Academic Center Development Pool.

Mr. Vandal indicated that the staff was requesting Board authorization to proceed with additional Master Plan implementation efforts utilizing funds appropriated during the recent legislative session.

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the staff to begin the process of soliciting Requests for Proposals (RFPs) relative to additional *Master Plan* implementation activity.

ADOPTION OF THE LEGISLATION REPORT

On motion of Regent Dupré, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Legislation report as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Chair D'Aquin asked for a report on Academic and Student Affairs. On behalf of Regent Henry, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, Dr. Jeanne Burns, Associate Commissioner for Academic Affairs, reported on the following:

Evaluation of Redesigned Teacher Preparation Programs

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to approve :

- 1. The redesigned Practitioner Teacher Program at Grades 4-8, 7-12 (Mathematics and Science), and Mild/Moderate Special Education at the University of New Orleans, effective immediately; and**
- 2. The Practitioner Teacher Program (Special Education) at Dillard University to establish eligibility for TITLE II/CITAL funding.**

University-District Subgrants 2002-03

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously:

- 1. To approve the following TITLE II/CITAL subgrant funds for 2002-2003:**
 - a. Grambling State University (\$65,000)**
 - b. Louisiana State University and A&M College (\$95,000)**
 - c. Louisiana Tech University (\$80,000)**
 - d. McNeese State University (\$95,000)**
 - e. Northwestern State University (\$80,000)**
 - f. Nicholls State University (\$80,000)**
 - g. University of Louisiana at Lafayette (\$95,000)**
 - h. University of Louisiana at Monroe (\$80,000)**
 - i. University of New Orleans (\$95,000)**
 - j. Loyola University (\$52,500)**
 - k. Our Lady of Holy Cross College (\$52,500)**

2. **To grant conditional approval for the following TITLE II/CITAL subgrant funds for 2002-2003. Once it is determined by the Board of Regents' staff that all stipulations cited by the external evaluators have been addressed, contracts should be issued to the following universities:**
 - a. **Louisiana State University - Shreveport (\$80,000)**
 - b. **Southern University and A&M College (\$80,000)**
 - c. **Southern University - New Orleans (\$80,000)**
 - d. **Southeastern Louisiana University (\$95,000)**
 - e. **Centenary College (\$52,500)**
 - f. **Dillard University (\$52,500)**
 - g. **Louisiana College (\$52,500)**
 - h. **Xavier University of Louisiana (\$52,500)**

Blue Ribbon Commission

Regent Henry noted that the next meeting of the Blue Ribbon Commission is scheduled for September 2002. She reported on activities of the 8-member state team that met in Kansas City to formulate plans to address quality professional development within Louisiana. The meeting was sponsored by the National Conference of State Legislatures, National Staff Development Council, the Ford Foundation, and the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation. Regent Henry further noted that Louisiana had been selected as one of five states to work with the National Governor's Association Center for Best Practices and the Harvard Graduate School of Education to develop collaborative models for K-12 and higher education to address President Bush's *No Child Left Behind, Reading First* initiative.

ADOPTION OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS REPORT

On motion of Regent Henry, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Academic and Student Affairs report as presented.
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SPONSORED PROGRAMS

Chair D'Aquin asked for a report on Sponsored Programs. On behalf of Regent Roberts, Chair of the Sponsored Programs Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique, Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Facilities, and Mr. John Wallin, Associate Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, presented the following:

Revision of Investment Policy for Eminent Scholars and Endowed Professorships

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to approve revisions to the Eminent Scholars and Endowed Professorships Program Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives.

LaCEPT Unexpended Funds Redistribution

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Brame, the Board voted unanimously to approve the addition of approximately \$115,000 in unexpended LaCEPT money to the funds available for expenditure for merit-based supplemental funding of University-District Subgrants for the Redesign of Teacher Education programs during FY 2002-2003 and the funding of the proposals listed in Appendix B of the report in the order and at the levels recommended by consultants.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS REPORT

On motion of Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Toups, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs report as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY

Chair D'Aquin asked for a report on Facilities and Property. On behalf of Regent Robinson, Chair of the Facilities and Property Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique presented the following:

LTC Bastrop - Main and Airport Campuses

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to approve the capital outlay project at the LTC Bastrop Campus for instrumentation and electronics labs that will provide employment and training for local industry.

Capital Outlay Status Report

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to request that the Commissioner send a letter to the Division of Administration noting that the Regents' had not approved the Northwestern State University Track and Field project.

ADOPTION OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY REPORT

On motion of Regent Robinson, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Facilities and Property report as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

FINANCE

Regent D'Aquin asked for a report on Finance. On behalf of Regent Toups, Chair of the Finance Committee, Mr. Marvin Roubique presented a summary of proposed changes to the Policy for State Fund Usage in Athletic Programs.

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the proposed changes to the Policy for State Fund Usage in Athletic Programs.

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Robinson, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the staff to develop further the concept for schools not associated with any athletic governing body and incorporate it into the final policy.

ADOPTION OF THE FINANCE REPORT

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Finance report as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE

Chair D'Aquin asked for a report on Planning, Research and Performance. On behalf of Regent Strong, Chair of the Planning, Research and Performance Committee, Dr. Jimmy Clarke, Deputy Commissioner for Planning, Research and Performance, reported on the Rapides Parish Learning Center.

On motion of Regent Strong, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to authorize the Commissioner and the Chairman of the Special Committee on Learning Centers to proceed with the employment of an Executive Director for the Rapides Parish Learning Center.

ADOPTION OF THE PLANNING, RESEARCH AND PERFORMANCE REPORT

On motion of Regent Toups, seconded by Regent Strong, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Planning, Research and Performance report as presented. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner E. Joseph Savoie noted the merits of the Work Keys Program. He referred Board members to a booklet placed in their folders from the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) and cited the twelve goals listed in *Goals for Education*.

The Commissioner then reported that the staff had moved to the Claiborne Building and that the August meeting would be held at the new facility.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chair D'Aquin assigned Regent Sumbler to the following committees: Academic and Student Affairs, Finance, Planning, Research and Performance, and Technology.

On motion of Regent Brame, seconded by Regent Henry, the Board voted unanimously to ratify the committee appointments of Regent Sumbler.

The Board asked for additional details regarding the Stelly Plan recently passed during the 2002 Regular Legislative Session. Commissioner Savoie stated that he would invite Representative Stelly to appear before the Board to review the plan.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair D'Aquin declared the meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.