

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE  
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM  
DECEMBER 3, 2010**

A. **Call to Order**

Mr. Winfred Sibille called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System in Room 100, the "Louisiana Purchase Room," Claiborne Conference Center, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana at 10:23 a.m.

B. **Roll Call**

The roll was called.

**PRESENT**

Mr. Paul Aucoin	Mr. Russell Mosely
Mr. Andre Coudrain	Mr. D. Wayne Parker
Mr. Edward Crawford III	Mr. Brook Sebren
Dr. Mildred Gallot	Mr. Carl Shetler
Mr. E. Gerald Hebert	Mr. Winfred Sibille
Mr. Jimmy Long, Sr.	

**ABSENT**

Mrs. Elsie Burkhalter  
Mr. Jeff Jenkins  
Ms. Renee Lapeyrolerie

Also present for the meeting were the following: System President Randy Moffett, System staff, administrators and faculty representatives from System campuses, Attorney Linda Clark, interested citizens, and representatives of the news media.

C. **Invocation**

Mr. Wayne Parker gave the invocation.

D. **Approval of Minutes of October 21 and 22, 2010 Meetings**

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Dr. Gallot, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of October 21 meeting and the October 22, 2010 Special meeting.

E. **Report of Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

Dr. Gallot presented the Committee report.

Upon motion of Dr. Gallot, seconded by Mr. Parker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the adoption of the following resolutions.

- E.1. Nicholls State University's request for approval to eliminate the Department of Finance and Economics effective July 1, 2011.

***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 eliminate the Department of Finance and Economics effective July 1, 2011.*

- E.2. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to award an Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree to Dr. Cindy L. Courville at the Fall Commencement Exercises.

***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 award an Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree to Dr. Cindy L. Courville at the Fall Commencement Exercises.*

- E.3. University of Louisiana System's request for approval of proposed Board Rule revision to Chapter II. Students, Section IV. Academic Status, B. Academic Probation.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana's request for proposed Board Rule revision to Chapter II. Students, Section IV. Academic Status, B. Academic Probation.*

F. **Report of Joint Facilities Planning and Finance Committee**

Mr. Coudrain, Chair of the Finance Committee, gave the Committee report.

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Mr. Shetler, the Board voted unanimously to approve the adoption of the following resolutions:

- F.1. Louisiana Tech University's request for permission to authorize the Louisiana Tech University Foundation to solicit proposals from design professionals to develop plans and specifications for the construction of a multi-function facility in the south end zone of Joe Aillet Stadium.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Louisiana Tech University's request for permission to authorize the Louisiana Tech University Foundation to solicit proposals from design professionals to develop plans and specifications for the construction of a multi-function facility in the south end zone of Joe Aillet Stadium.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the University will return to the Board when the plans are completed and request approval to enter into a lease with the Foundation for the construction of this new facility. A financing/funding plan, a bidding process, and a business plan will be developed as plans and specifications are prepared.*

***AND FURTHER,** that University staff, UL staff, and legal counsel shall assure that all documents conform to statutory and administrative requirements.*

- F.2. Nicholls State University's request to change the Harold J. Callais Endowed Chair in Economic Development to three professorships: The Harold J. Callais Endowed Professorship in Economic Development, the Peter W. Callais Endowed Professorship in Business, and the Paul A. Callais Endowed Professorship in Business.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Nicholls State University's request to change the Harold J. Callais Endowed Chair in Economic Development to three professorships: The Harold J. Callais Endowed Professorship in Economic Development, the Peter W. Callais Endowed Professorship in Business, and the Paul A. Callais Endowed Professorship in Business.*

- F.3. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of Amendment No. 2 to the food service lease with Aramark Educational Services, Inc.

*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 Amendment No. 2 to the food service lease with Aramark Educational Services, Inc.*

- F.4. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of a proposed student fee referendum.

*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 proposed student fee referendum.*

- F.5. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request to consolidate twenty professorships into two chairs titled: (1) Dr. Tommy Comeaux/Board of Regents Support Fund Eminent Scholar Chair in Traditional Music; and (2) The Acadiana Business Economist Eminent Scholar Chair.

*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 to consolidate twenty professorships into two chairs titled: (1) Dr. Tommy Comeaux/Board of Regents Support Fund Eminent Scholar Chair in Traditional Music; and (2) The Acadiana Business Economist Eminent Scholar Chair.*

- F.6. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to charge a separate fee structure for its three-week mini-sessions, Wintersession and Maymester.

*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 charge a separate fee structure for its three-week mini-sessions, Wintersession and Maymester.*

- F.7. University of Louisiana System's discussion of Fiscal Year 2010-2011 first quarter financial reports and ongoing assurances.

No action was required by the Board as it was a report only.

G. **System President's Business**

G.1. **Personnel Actions**

Dr. Randy Moffett, System President, reported that System staff reviewed the personnel actions and staff recommends approval.

*Upon motion of Mr. Parker, seconded by Mr. Mosely, the Board voted unanimously to approve the System personnel actions.*

Dr. Moffett pointed out that included in the personnel actions was a form for System staff member Robbie Robinson, who has assumed the position as Vice President for Business and Finance.

G.2. **System President's Report**

***UL Monroe Faculty Incentive Retirement Plan***

President Moffett informed Board members that a copy of UL Monroe's current Faculty Resignation or Retirement Incentive Program was included in their folders for information. He stated that UL Monroe's policy is consistent with System requirements. Board action was not necessary.

***PPMs/Proposed Board Rule Revisions***

- Dr. Moffett said that an updated PPM (*Prohibiting Workplace Harassment and Discrimination*) and an additional PPM (*Preventing and Addressing Retaliation*) were included in their folders for information. He stated that these had been developed as a result of a federal mandate and after consultation with legal counsel and campus personnel.
- Dr. Moffett stated that proposed revisions to the PPM on Academic Program Discontinuance and Board Rules under Sections XI. Tenure and XV. Termination were included in their folders for review. He reminded the Board that this item had been deferred in August; since that meeting edits have been made as a result of feedback from faculty. He said that the Board Rules would again be considered for adoption at a January 2011 meeting.

***ULM Teacher Education Program***

Dr. Moffett congratulated UL Monroe for recently having its TEACH Delta Region program featured on National Public Radio. The program is a collaboration between UL Monroe and Jackson State University.

### ***AGB Meeting***

President Moffett informed the Board that he and Mr. Sibille planned to participate in a conference hosted by the Association of Governing Boards on December 5-6 in Charlottesville, Virginia. The focus of the meetings was “raising the bar” during times of fiscal constraints in higher education.

### ***Investiture of Dr. Philip Williams***

Dr. Moffett said that he attended the Investiture of Dr. Philip Williams as President of McNeese State University on November 14. He congratulated Dr. Jeanne Daboval and campus staff for planning and executing the memorable occasion.

### ***Meeting with Governor Jindal***

Dr. Moffett reported that he, Dr. Layzell, and other System Heads had been invited to participate in a meeting hosted by Governor Jindal earlier in the week. The purpose of the meeting was to address the fiscal challenges to higher education and opportunities to address the financial future. He thanked the Governor for the clear message and for pledging his support to work together through this transitional period.

### ***Upcoming Meeting with SGA Officials***

President Moffett stated that he has plans to invite UL System Student Government officials to a professional development session in early January. After the agenda has been finalized, Dr. Moffett will also inform Board members of the details so they may attend if possible.

## G.3. Other Business

### ***Graduation Rates/Number of Completers Presentation***

Dr. Bea Baldwin narrated a powerpoint presentation on *Understanding Performance Measures for Student Success*. The presentation explained the distinction between graduation rates and number of completers as these relate to reporting.

## H. Board Chair’s Business

### H.1. Board Chair’s Report

- Mr. Sibille again complimented McNeese State University for hosting the Investiture of Dr. Williams. Mr. Sibille said he was honored to represent the Board at the event.
- Chair Sibille commended Dr. Mildred Gallot and Mrs. Elsie Burkhalter for being selected as commencement speakers for Louisiana Tech University and Southeastern Louisiana University, respectively.

H.2. Report of Nominating Committee

Mr. Coudrain, Chair, gave the report of the Nominating Committee.

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Mr. Mosely, the Board voted unanimously by roll call vote to approve the adoption of the following resolution.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve the Nominating Committee's recommendation to appoint Mr. Winfred Sibille as Chair of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System for the 2011 calendar year.

The following roll call vote was recorded:

Yeas: Mr. Aucoin, Mr. Coudrain, Mr. Crawford, Dr. Gallot, Mr. Hebert, Mr. Long, Mr. Mosely, Mr. Parker, Mr. Sebren, Mr. Shetler, Mr. Sibille

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Burkhalter, Mr. Jenkins, Ms. Lapeyrolerie

Upon motion of Mr. Coudrain, seconded by Mr. Shetler, the Board voted unanimously by roll call vote to approve the adoption of the following resolution.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System does hereby approve the Nominating Committee's recommendation to appoint Mr. D. Wayne Parker, as Vice Chair of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System for the 2011 calendar year.

The following roll call vote was recorded:

Yeas: Mr. Aucoin, Mr. Coudrain, Mr. Crawford, Dr. Gallot, Mr. Hebert, Mr. Long, Mr. Mosely, Mr. Parker, Mr. Sebren, Mr. Shetler, Mr. Sibille

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Burkhalter, Mr. Jenkins, Ms. Lapeyrolerie

Mr. Sibille, as returning Chair of the Board, asked Mr. Coudrain whether the Committee had a recommendation for the position of Parliamentarian. Mr. Coudrain indicated that the Nominating Committee had voted to recommend Mr. Russell Mosely. Mr. Sibille agreed to accept the recommendation and appointed Mr. Mosely as Parliamentarian for 2011.

H.3. Other Business

Mr. Sibille announced that the next Board meeting will be held in Baton Rouge on Friday, January 7, 2011. Officers for 2011 will be installed at that meeting.

I. **Other Business**

Mr. Aucoin noted that Mr. Lionel Naquin, Chief Financial Officer at Nicholls State University, was retiring on January 18, 2011. He congratulated him for 35 years of service to the university.

Mr. Aucoin also read a letter from the Lafourche Chamber of Commerce expressing concern about the financial challenges facing Nicholls (and other institutions across the state), urging a special session of Legislature be called to resolve funding issues.

*Upon motion of Mr. Mosely, seconded by Mr. Aucoin, the Board unanimously voted to approve a resolution to be sent to Governor Jindal proposing that the Governor and Legislature, working with the appropriate higher education board, adopt a strategic plan for Louisiana higher education that includes (1) a funding formula aligned with institutional role, scope, and mission; (2) enhanced student retention and completion programs; (3) alternative course delivery systems, including online and collaborative initiatives; (4) appropriate adjustments to merit and need-based aid; (5) a recurring statutory dedicated fund for higher education; and (5) removal of the 12-hour tuition cap, currently in place.*

The following roll call vote was recorded:

Yeas: Mr. Aucoin, Mr. Coudrain, Mr. Crawford, Dr. Gallot, Mr. Hebert, Mr. Long, Mr. Mosely, Mr. Parker, Mr. Sebren, Mr. Shetler, Mr. Sibille

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Burkhalter, Mr. Jenkins, Ms. Lapeyrolerie

J. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, upon motion of Mr. Shetler, seconded by Mr. Coudrain, the meeting adjourned at 11:31 a.m.