



Minutes
Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools
January 13, 2026

The Louisiana Board of Regents' Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools met on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, in Room 1–190 in the Claiborne Building. Chair James Fontenot called the meeting to order at 9:59 a.m. The roll was then called by Ms. Courtney Britton, and a quorum was established. There were no public comments to be read.

Commission Members Present

Melanie Amrhein, Vice Chair
Carmen Million
Sherrie Despino
James Fontenot, Chair
Larry Tremblay

Staff Members Present

Courtney Britton
Chandra Cheatham
Mighan Johnson
Antonio Williams
Allison Vicknair

Commission Members Absent

Chris Broadwater
Benjamin Baudoin
Chandler LeBoeuf
Hunter Thevis

Guests Present

(See Appendix)

The first item of business was the approval of minutes from the Commission's meeting on November 18, 2025, as presented.

On motion of Melanie Amrhein, seconded by Carmen Million, the Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools unanimously adopted the minutes, as corrected, of November 18, 2025, Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools meeting.

The next item considered by the Commission was the initial license application from Southeastern Louisiana Technical College, located in Kentwood, Louisiana, which was deferred from the November 8, 2025 meeting. The school, which was represented by the Owner, Tamika Mustafa, would offer five programs: Construction Site Safety Supervisor at 160 clock hours over ten weeks, Project Management at 105 clock hours over eight weeks, Site Safety & Health Officer at 120 clock hours over eight weeks, NCCER Core at 80 clock hours over three weeks, and Construction Site Safety Technician at 150 clock hours over ten weeks. Discussion included thanks from the Commission members for the updated financial documentation that was submitted as requested, how the applicant found the process of updating the financial

documentation beneficial to her, how she would maintain the school while playing multiple roles for the school, and the applicant's motivation.

On motion of Sherrie Despino, seconded by Larry Tremblay, the Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools unanimously voted to approve the initial license application for Southeastern Louisiana Technical College.

The next agenda item considered by the Commission was submitted license renewal applications. Over the previous two months, nine schools submitted complete renewal applications.

On motion of Larry Tremblay, seconded by Carmen Million, the Advisory Commission on Proprietary Schools unanimously voted that the Board of Regents renew the licenses of the following proprietary schools:

1. Brow Design By Dina – Denham Springs – License #2345
2. Compass Career College – Hammond – License #2327
3. Gonzales Medical Assistant School – Gonzales – License #2164
4. Infinity College – Lafayette – License #2140
5. National Driving Academy – Greensburg – License #978
6. New Orleans Culinary & Hospitality Institute (NOCHI)– New Orleans – License #2237
7. Shreveport Bossier City Massage Academy – Shreveport - License #2396
8. Tulsa Welding School-Tulsa Campus – Tulsa, Ok – License #2096
9. Williams Technical College – Houma - License #2141

Staff also discussed the following non-renewals:

- Southern Security School, New Orleans, LA, License #2260
- The Laser and Medical Aesthetic Academy at ACWH, Houma, LA, License #2367

The next agenda item was program approval updates. The commission was reminded that program approvals were approved by staff, and the provided list was for informational purposes only. There was only one program update during the reporting period.

- New Orleans Dental Assistant School – New Orleans, LA
 - Amend (Tuition Price)
Dental Assistant-Hybrid –180.0 Clock hours

The next agenda item discussed was staffing and department updates. The discussion included the transition of Antonio Williams and Chandra Cheatham's promotions to different positions with the agency, the move of the Proprietary team to the Galvez building and the process of the move, the new structure of Board of Regents during the full absorption of LOSFA, the impact the move will have on future Commission meetings, the direction of staffing for Proprietary in the next six months, rulemaking for compliance training, and the purpose of the move.

During the final agenda item, "Other Business," the discussion covered updates on rulemaking for compliance training, voting for officers of the commission at the next commission meeting, and the updates from the Secretary of State regarding school's business names.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:22 am. The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for March 10, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. in the Claiborne Building.

APPENDIX A
GUESTS

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LA Department of Justice

Tamika Mustafa

Southeastern Louisiana Technical College