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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

December 8, 2017

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mr. James Williams, Chair-Elect, called to order the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College in the Lions Building, 2020 Gravier St., New Orleans, LA 70112, on December 8, 2017 at 1:17 p.m.

The secretary called the roll.

PRESENT

Mr. James Williams  
Chair-Elect  
Mr. Glenn Armentor  
Ms. Ann Duplessis  
Ms. Valencia Sarpy Jones  
Mr. Jim McCrery  
Ms. Mary L. Werner

Mr. Scott Ballard  
Past Chair  
Mr. Blake Chatelain  
Mr. Stanley J. Jacobs  
Mr. Rolfe McCollister  
Mr. James W. Moore  
Ms. Lauren Johnson

ABSENT

Mr. Stephen Perry  
Chair  
Mr. Robert "Bobby" Yarborough

Mr. Ronnie Anderson  
Mr. Lee Mallett

Also present for the meeting were the following: Dr. F. King Alexander, President of LSU; Mr. Tom Skinner, General Counsel; LSU officers and administrators from their respective campuses; faculty representatives; interested citizens and representatives of the news media.

Public Comments

There were no public comments to be made at the December 8, 2017 Regular Board meeting.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Williams, Chair-Elect, recognized Dr. Larry Hollier, Chancellor for the LSU Health Sciences Center – New Orleans. Dr. Hollier introduced the two (2) student representatives and one (1) faculty representative addressing the Board.

Gerald W. "Trace" Favre gave the Invocation. Laura Erwin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Florencia Polite, Associate Professor of Clinical Obstetrics and Gynecology at LSU Health Sciences Center – New Orleans presented to the Board.

3. NOTICE: The LSU Board of Supervisors may go into executive session pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17(A)(2).

Mr. Williams, Chair-Elect, called for a motion go into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation with our Cooperative Endeavour Agreement (CEA) with the Biomedical Research Foundation (BRF).

Upon motion of Ms. Duplessis, seconded by Mr. Ballard, the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session.

The session informed the Board of the cooperation of the University with the State of Louisiana Division of Administration, the current fiscal impacts on the LSU Health Sciences Center – Shreveport, and the next potential legal course of action with the letter of intent and forthcoming CEA with Ochsner.

The Committee returned from Executive Session. Mr. Williams called for a motion to exit Executive Session.

Upon motion by Mr. Ballard, second by Mr. Chatelain, the Committee voted unanimously to exit Executive Session

4. Approval of the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on October 13, 2017

Upon motion of Mr. McCollister, seconded by Mr. Ballard, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on October 13, 2017.

5. Personnel Actions Requiring Board Approval

Mr. Williams, Chair-Elect, requested approval of the Personnel Actions.

Upon motion of Mr. Chatelain, seconded by Mr. McCollister, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Personnel Actions Requiring Board Approval as presented.

6. Reports from Staff Advisors and Faculty Advisors

Dr. Ken McMillan, Council of Faculty Advisors gave an informational report. There was no report from Staff Advisors.

7. President's Report

Dr. F. King Alexander, President of LSU, advised the Board on various matters including:

Dr. Alexander introduced the newly hired Pennington Biomedical Research Center Executive Director Dr. John Kirwan to the Board.

Dr. Alexander provided an update on application numbers for the next incoming class on the LSU campus.

Dr. Alexander stated the Task Force on Greek Life at LSU is continuing their work and will have recommendations to the President on January 30, 2018.

Dr. Alexander mentioned the impact of the State Budget and Federal Tax Reform on our campuses.

Dr. Alexander, recognized our efforts in the DXC deal in New Orleans and the economic impact for the State.

Dr. Alexander announced he will be touring the State to provide the status of LSU & the goals for our campuses.

Dr. Alexander recognized the LSU University Recreation Center for 18,447 students utilizing the updated facility in the Fall.

8. Reports to the Board

- a. FY17 Internal Audit Annual Report
- b. FY 2017-18 1st Quarter Consolidated LSU Investment Report (Written Report Only)
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- d. Academic Affairs New and Terminated Degree Program Report 2012-2017

Upon motion of Mr. Ballard, seconded by Ms. Jones, the Board voted unanimously to accept these reports.

9. Committee Reports

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Armentor, to approve the Committee resolutions that were approved by the Committees. The Board voted unanimously to approve all Committee resolutions.

9A. Academic and Student Affairs, Achievement and Distinction Committee

Mr. Armentor, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs, Achievement and Distinction Committee, reported the Committee received one (1) presentation, three (3) requests for Board approval and fourteen (14) consent agenda items.

9A1. LSU Strategic Plan 2025 Improving Health and Wellbeing of Louisiana's Citizens Through Research, Data Collection, Education and Collaboration Presentation

A presentation on the impact of the University's research on improving health and wellbeing of Louisiana's citizens was provided by Dr. Larry Hollier, Chancellor of LSU Health Sciences Center – New Orleans, Chris Kevil, Vice Chancellor of Research of LSU Health Sciences Center – Shreveport, Dr. Peter Katzmarzyk, Associate Executive Director for Pennington Biomedical Research Center, and Dr. Steve Nelson, Dean of the School of Medicine at LSU Health Science Center – New Orleans

9A2. Request from LSU A&M to Award 2 Boyd Professorships

Upon motion of Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Williams, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College, that Susanne Brenner, Ph.D., is hereby designated as Boyd Professor, effective December 8, 2017.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Williams, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College, that Ward Plummer, Ph.D., is hereby designated as Boyd Professor, effective December 8, 2017.

9A3. CONSENT AGENDA

- i. Recommendation to Approve Fall 2017 Conferral of Degrees at Campus Commencement Ceremonies
- ii. Recommendation to Approve 2018 Degree Conferral Dates for Online Degree Programs
- iii. Request from LSU A&M for Conditional One-Year Approval of the Center for Collaborative Knowledge
- iv. Request from LSU A&M to Change the Name of the BS in Human Resource Education to the BS in Leadership and Human Resource Development in the School of Leadership and Human Resource Development
- v. Request from LSU A&M to Terminate the Graduate Certificate in Community Engagement
- vi. Request from LSU Shreveport to Terminate the BA in Fine Arts
- vii. Request from LSU A&M to Award a Posthumous Degree
- viii. Request from LSU AgCenter to Establish the Louisiana Farm Bureau Chair in Agricultural Policy
- ix. Request from LSU A&M to Establish the Dodson and Hooks Endowed Chair in Maritime Law
- x. Request from LSU A&M to Establish 15 Endowed Superior Graduate Student Scholarships
- xi. Request from LSU A&M to Convert the Devon Energy Chair in Petroleum Engineering into 1 Professorship and 6 Endowed Superior Graduate Student Scholarships
- xii. Request from LSU A&M to Convert 3 Endowed Professorships to 3 Endowed Superior Graduate Student Scholarships
- xiii. Request from LSU Eunice to Establish the Heart of Nursing Scholarship
- xiv. Request from LSU Alexandria to Change to the Name of the AS in Clinical Laboratory Science to the AS in Medical Laboratory Science

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Williams, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the Consent resolutions:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University does hereby approve the degrees to be conferred on candidates meeting degree requirements for graduation from the campuses of the University at 2017 fall commencement exercises (December 14, 15, 17).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the recommended degree conferral dates for online degree programs at the campuses of LSU for 2018: March 13, May 8, July 3, August 28, October 23, and December 18.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request to from LSU A&M to establish the Center for Collaborative Knowledge with conditional one-year approval, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve changing the name of the BS in Human Resource Education to the BS in Leadership and Human Resource Development, and the CIP change of the undergraduate program from 13.1201 to 52.1005, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request from LSU A&M to terminate the GC in Community Engagement, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request from LSU Shreveport to terminate the BA in Fine Arts, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request from LSU A&M to award a posthumous PhD in Petroleum Engineering to Denis Klimenko.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request to establish the Louisiana Farm Bureau Chair in Agricultural Policy, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College and/or the President, as may be appropriate, are hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gift and otherwise complete the establishment of the Louisiana Farm Bureau Chair in Agricultural Policy at the LSU Agricultural Center.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request to establish the Dodson and Hooks Endowed Chair in Maritime Law, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College and/or the President, as may be appropriate, are hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gift and otherwise complete the establishment of the Dodson and Hooks Endowed Chair in Maritime Law at the LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request to establish each of the following 15 superior graduate student scholarships at LSU, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents; and

- a) Robert R. and Melissa B. Rabalais Energy Law Endowment Fund
- b) Planche Mike the Tiger Caregiver Scholarship
- c) Dr. Mary Lou Applewhite Superior Graduate Scholarship in Biological Sciences
- d) Robert K. and Elizabeth F. Reeves Endowed Scholarship #2
- e) E. Kay Kirkpatrick Endowed Superior Graduate Scholarship in Public Law
- f) Judges W. Ross and Elizabeth Erny Foote Scholarship
- g) Chris and Nancy Rials Endowed Scholarship
- h) Lopez Family Graduate Student Scholarship in Chemical Engineering #1
- i) Longino Family Superior Graduate Student Scholarship
- j) Kenneth R. Hogstrom Superior Graduate Student Scholarship in Medical Physics #2
- k) Keith and Evie Katz Superior Graduate Student Scholarship
- l) Jan Grimes Endowed Graduate Student Scholarship in Collaborative Keyboard
- m) Robert B. Lank, DVM Memorial Scholarship
- n) William E. Doll Jr. Curriculum Theory Project Superior Graduate Student Scholarship
- o) Edwards Superior Graduate Scholarship in French Studies

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College and/or the President, as may be appropriate, are hereby authorized to execute any documents required to obtain matching gifts and otherwise complete the establishment of each of the following 15 superior graduate student scholarships:

- a) Robert R. and Melissa B. Rabalais Energy Law Endowment Fund
- b) Planche Mike the Tiger Caregiver Scholarship
- c) Dr. Mary Lou Applewhite Superior Graduate Scholarship in Biological Sciences
- d) Robert K. and Elizabeth F. Reeves Endowed Scholarship #2
- e) E. Kay Kirkpatrick Endowed Superior Graduate Scholarship in Public Law
- f) Judges W. Ross and Elizabeth Erny Foote Scholarship
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- l) Jan Grimes Endowed Graduate Student Scholarship in Collaborative Keyboard
- m) Robert B. Lank, DVM Memorial Scholarship
- n) William E. Doll Jr. Curriculum Theory Project Superior Graduate Student Scholarship
- o) Edwards Superior Graduate Scholarship in French Studies

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request to convert the Devon Energy Chair in Petroleum Engineering to the following Endowed Professorship and Endowed Superior Graduate Student Scholarships, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents:

- Devon Energy Professorship in Petroleum Engineering
- Devon Energy Superior Graduate Student Scholarship #1
- Devon Energy Superior Graduate Student Scholarship #2
- Devon Energy Superior Graduate Student Scholarship #3
- Devon Energy Superior Graduate Student Scholarship #4
- Devon Energy Superior Graduate Student Scholarship #5
- Devon Energy Superior Graduate Student Scholarship #6

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request to convert each of the following Endowed Professorships to Endowed Superior Graduate Student Scholarships, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents:

- a) Carrie Lynn Yoder Memorial Professorship to the Carrie Lynn Yoder Memorial Superior Graduate Student Scholarship in Biological Sciences
- b) Ron and Mary Neal Professorship #2 in Biological Sciences to the Ron and Mary Neal Distinguished Fellowship in Biological Sciences
- c) Manuel and Miller Professorship to the Manuel and Miller Superior Graduate Student Scholarship

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request from LSU Eunice to establish the following Endowed Scholarship for Two-Year Student Workforce Scholarship, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents:

- a) Heart of Nursing Scholarship; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and/or the President, as may be appropriate, are hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gift and otherwise complete the establishment of the following Endowed Scholarships for Two-Year Workforce at LSU Eunice:

- a) Heart of Nursing Scholarship



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve changing the name of the Associate of Science in Clinical Laboratory Science to the Associate of Science in Medical Laboratory Science, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

Mr. Armentor asked for a motion to adjourn the Committee meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. Moore, seconded by Ms. Jones, the Committee meeting was adjourned.

9B. Finance, Infrastructure, and Core Development Committee

Mr. Chatelain, Chair of the Finance, Infrastructure, and Core Development Committee, reported the Committee received one (1) presentation.

9B1. Presentation from LSU A&M on Deferred Maintenance, Campus Master Plan, & Proposed Funding Approach

Executive Vice President Daniel Layzell and LSU Associate Vice President for Facilities and Property Oversight Tony Lombardo provided a presentation on the current state of LSU's deferred maintenance and the campus master plan. The presentation proposed potential funding approaches, including a student fee. Mr. Layzell informed the Board they will provide the supplemental information requested during the presentation.

Ms. Duplessis emphasized looking at creative sources of funding as student fees puts a burden on the middle class families who are not eligible for Pell Grant and other sources of financial aid. She suggested consideration for creating an LSU district to capture the businesses that are benefitting for being close to LSU and are profiting. The revenue streams from an LSU district by the businesses and entities would then create a more equitable approach to addressing this financial situation. The sales tax being generated within 5 to 10 miles around the University is a tremendous amount of revenue we could have just from a half cent tax of funding from the district. She further emphasized this is a necessary expense and we need the resources to take care of this but let's explore every other opportunity to do this and think out of the box.

Mr. Williams expressed concerns about the approach of what amounts to taxing the student to accomplish this goal. The statistics presented comparing ourselves to peer institutions does not reflect institutions in states where the average household income is comparable to Louisiana. Majority of our scholarships do not cover fees and what about the working class who work hard for scholarships, only to arrive on campus to a large amount of fees they have to pay. Other state institutions with comparable facility fees have a total fee less than LSU. This would add \$200 to over \$2000 of fees for families and students. While it would lead to much improvement and development, a breakdown of what is a significant health and safety concern verses what is needed for the future would be helpful. This discussion is needed and we need time to discuss this and be more creative and explore a tax district around LSU or find potential for cost savings on campus. We must consider the working class family and the thousands of dollars of fees not covered by their scholarships. While it is true we do not have the same tuition autonomy as other states, we do owe it to the families to approach this conversation.

Mr. Chatelain asked for a motion to adjourn the Committee meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. McCrery, the Committee meeting was adjourned.

9C. Property and Facilities Committee

Ms. Werner, Chair of the Property and Facilities Committee, reported the Committee received three (3) requests for Board approval.

9C1. Request from LSU Health Sciences Center-New Orleans to Approve the Purchase of Land in Square 519 in the First District New Orleans

Upon motion of Mr. McCollister, seconded by Ms. Werner, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College authorizes F. King Alexander, in his capacity as President of LSU, to purchase the non-State-owned lots in Square 519 in the First District of New Orleans, as shown on Attachment III, for amounts no greater than the appraised fair market value for each lot or parcel, and negotiated in accordance with Division of Administration guidelines as authorized by law; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board, in addition to the authority granted above, expressly authorizes F. King Alexander to immediately purchase that parcel of land in Square 519 with street address of 2131-2131 Gravier Street New Orleans, LA 70112, for the amount of \$445,000 or such lesser amount as may be negotiated in accordance with Division of Administration guidelines as authorized by law; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that F. King Alexander, in his capacity as President of LSU, or his designee is hereby authorized by and empowered for and on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors, in consultation with General Counsel and the Board's Chair, Chair-Elect, and Past Chair, to execute Acts of Sale and other reasonably required agreements to acquire ownership of such properties, and to include in such Acts of Sale or other agreements any terms and conditions that he may deem in the best interests of LSU.

9C2. Request from LSU A&M to Authorize the President to Execute a Lease Agreement for Phase II Renovation and Expansion of Tiger Stadium Restroom Facilities with Tiger Athletic Foundation

Upon motion of Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Ms. Duplessis, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College authorizes F. King Alexander, in his capacity as President of LSU, or his designee, to execute a Lease to Tiger Athletic Foundation in order to facilitate the Phase II Renovation and Expansion of Tiger Stadium Restroom Facilities and to execute related agreements as may be reasonably necessary to facilitate the project, and to include in such leases and other agreements such terms and conditions as he deems to be in the best interests of LSU; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board, pursuant to the Uniform Affiliation Agreement between it and the Tiger Athletic Foundation, finds an acceptable University purpose for Tiger Athletic Foundation to enter into the proposed Lease, and any related or ancillary contracts and agreements reasonably necessary for the project.

9C3. Request from LSU Health Sciences Center-New Orleans to Authorize an Intent to Lease Agreement with the LSU Health Foundation, New Orleans for the OB-GYN Building and Land

Upon motion of Mr. McCollister, seconded by Mr. Jacobs, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College (“LSU Board”), as Lessor, does hereby authorize Daniel T. Layzell, Vice President for Finance and Administration, Chief Financial Officer, of Louisiana State University, to execute an Intent to Lease Agreement for the LSU Health Sciences Center at New Orleans, Ob-Gyn Building and Land located at 2100 Perdido Street in New Orleans, Louisiana, with LSU Health Foundation, New Orleans (“Foundation”), pursuant to which Intent to Lease Agreement the LSU Board will pursue a possible lease to the Foundation of the Ob-Gyn Building and the land on which it is located being 100 feet on Perdido Street Right of Way and 118.7 feet along the South Johnson Street Right of Way and approximately 0.27 acres of land.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Daniel T. Layzell, Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration, Chief Financial Officer, of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College is duly authorized by and empowered for and on behalf of and in the name of the LSU Board to include in said Intent to Lease Agreement such terms and conditions as he deems to be in the best interest of the LSU Board.

9D. Athletic Committee

Mr. Moore, Chair of the Athletic Committee, reported the Committee received one (1) consent agenda item.

9D1. CONSENT AGENDA

- i. Authorization for the LSU President to Approve Football Postseason Additional Compensation in Accordance with Existing Board Policy or Coaches’ Contracts

Upon motion of Mr. Chatelain, seconded by Mr. Ballard, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College authorizes Dr. F. King Alexander, LSU President, or his designee, to approve the applicable additional compensation for the post season football game in accordance with the Provisions for Additional Compensation previously approved by the Board on March 16, 2012 or contract provisions included in the head coach and assistant coaches contracts (Copy of the policy and contracts are on file in the Board of Supervisors Office).

Mr. Moore asked for a motion to adjourn the Committee meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. McCrery, seconded by Mr. Ballard, the Committee meeting was adjourned.

10. Chairman’s Report

The Chair-Elect Mr. Williams announced the next Board of Supervisors meeting will be held in Baton Rouge at the LSU Administration Building on February 2, 2018.

13. Adjournment

Chair-Elect Mr. Williams asked for a motion to adjourn with no further business before the Board.

Upon motion by Mr. Ballard, seconded by Ms. Duplessis, the meeting was adjourned.

Stephanie Tomlinson  
Executive Assistant  
LSU Board of Supervisors