

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE**  
**UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**October 9, 2023**

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

The Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System met for a Special Meeting on Monday, October 9, 2023 at 11:05 a.m. The meeting was held in the Louisiana Purchase Room of the Claiborne Building, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge. Chair Elizabeth Pierre called the meeting to order.

**PRESENT**

Mr. Barry Busada	Mr. Dana Peterson
Dr. Jimmy Clarke	Ms. Elizabeth Pierre
Dr. John Condos	Mr. Virgil Robinson
Mr. Steve Davison	Mr. Mark Romero
Ms. Lola Dunahoe	Ms. Kristine Russell
Ms. Jo Lethermon	Mr. Brad Stevens
Mr. Alejandro “Al” Perkins	Ms. Bailey Willis

**ABSENT**

Mr. Joe Salter	Ms. Julie Stokes
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Also present were the following: System President Jim Henderson, System staff, and Attorneys Brandon DeCuir and Corey Pierce.

B. **Invocation**

Mr. Mark Romero opening the meeting with an invocation.

Ms. Pierre asked for a motion to adopt the agenda for the day. Upon motion of Dr. Clarke, seconded by Dr. Condos, the agenda of the Special Meeting was unanimously approved.

C. **Discussion and deliberation regarding Louisiana Tech University President, transition, and related action.**

Ms. Pierre indicated that this agenda item required that the Board meet in Executive Session pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statute 42:17 and asked for a motion in that regard. At 11:08 a.m., upon motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Ms. Dunahoe, the Board voted to adjourn to Executive Session.

The following roll call vote was recorded:

**YEAS:** Mr. Busada, Dr. Clarke, Dr. Condos, Mr. Davison, Ms. Dunahoe, Ms. Lethermon, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Peterson, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, Ms. Russell, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Willis

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** Mr. Salter, Ms. Stokes

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Upon motion of Dr. Clarke, seconded by Ms. Dunahoe, at 2:32 p.m. the Board voted by roll call vote to reconvene in Open Session:

**YEAS:** Mr. Busada, Dr. Clarke, Mr. Davison, Ms. Dunahoe, Ms. Lethermon, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Peterson, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, Ms. Russell, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Willis

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** Dr. Condos, Mr. Salter, Ms. Stokes

Chair Pierre asked if there were any comments from Board members. Mr. Steve Davison made a motion to suspend Board Rule Chapter III. Faculty and Staff, Section II. Personnel Actions. The motion was seconded by Mr. Perkins.

The following roll call was recorded:

**YEAS:** Mr. Busada, Dr. Clarke, Mr. Davison, Ms. Lethermon, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Peterson, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, Ms. Russell, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Willis

**NAYS:** Ms. Dunahoe

**ABSENT:** Dr. Condos, Mr. Salter, Ms. Stokes

Ms. Pierre asked whether there were any further motions. Mr. Stevens made a motion to authorize the Board Chair to invite Dr. James Henderson to interview for the Louisiana Tech University presidency and to solicit public input regarding the selection at a Special Meeting to be held on October 25. Ms. Lethermon seconded the motion. There was one vote in opposition by Ms. Dunahoe, and the motion passed.

D. **Discussion and deliberation regarding University of Louisiana System, transition, and related matters.**

Ms. Pierre indicated that this item would be considered at the next Regular meeting, which is scheduled for October 26.

E.-F. **Other Business/Adjournment**

There being no further business, upon motion of Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Romero, at 2:36 p.m, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn.