

**LOUISIANA INNOVATION COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Governor's Conference Room
April 29, 2014**

I. Call to order and roll call

Meeting called to order at 1:35pm by Chair, Dr. Les Guice. Roll was called and a quorum was present. Carolyn West recorded the minutes.

Members Present:

Dr. Kalliat Valsaraj (Designee for Dr. King Alexander), Matthew Cameron, Barry Erwin, Curt Eysink, Les Guice, Charles Jeane (Designee for Gov. Bobby Jindal), Adam Knapp, Dr. Michael Khonsari, Dr. Tom Layzell, Joseph Lovett, Michael Olivier (Designee for Mike Madison), Ernie Hughes (Designee for Dr. Ronald Mason), Michelle Ducherme (Designee for Sen. Daniel Martiny) Monroe Milton, Sec. Stephen Moret, Nicolas Perkin, Webster Pierce Jr., Rep. Eric Ponti, Chris Rader, Rudy Gomez (Designee for Dr. Phillip Rozeman), Dr. Monty Sullivan, Dr. Sandra Woodley

Members Absent:

Dr. Nicholas Altiero, Jacqueline Beauchamp, James Clinton, Rep. Nancy Landry, Kevin Langley, Jim Odom, Jr., Christopher Reade, Gray Stream, John White

Invited Guests and Others:

Dr. Richard Koubek, LSU; Tim McLachlan, IBM; Stan Napper, La Tech; Michael DeBoer, G.E. Capital; Steve Johnson, UNO

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes-March 6, 2014

Motion to approve the minutes seconded and passed.

III. Updates and Hat Tips

Quentin Messer announced Innovation Month. Dr. Jenée Slocum added that LED and Regional Economic Development Organizations participated in a conference call promoting Louisiana Innovation Month. Chair Les Guice reported that the Master Plan Research Advisory Council Task Force will reconvene on May 30, 2014.

IV. Overview of Higher Education Economic Development Workshop and Playbook

Dr. Jenée Slocum and Susie Schowen presented an overview of the Higher Education Economic Development Playbook, designed to provide guidance on best practices for higher education institutions in cultivating, maintaining, and tracking relationships with industry.

V. Panel on Innovative Industry-University Partnerships

University-industry partners from across the state presented on the structure and successes of particular relationships, including LSU & IBM, LA Tech & CenturyLink, and UNO & GE Capital.

VI. Legislative Update

Senate Bill 526 by Senator Alario and Representative Kleckley, the Workforce and Innovation for a Stronger Economy (WISE) Fund, passed in the House and is now awaiting Senate approval.

VII. Action Items

- Motion was made by Nic Perkin, seconded by Matthew Cameron and unanimously carried to adopt LIC's new, entrepreneurial support and capital availability working group priority recommendations.
- Motion was made by Michael Olivier, seconded by Michael Khonsari and unanimously carried to amend LIC's DOE and BRGL recommended priorities.

VIII. Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

VX. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:00pm.