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MINUTES
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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Ms. Mary Werner, Chair, called to order the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College in the Board Room of the University Administration Building at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge on December 5, 2019.

The office administrator called the roll.

Present

Ms. Mary Werner, Chair
Mr. Robert S. Dampf, Chair-elect
Mr. James Williams, Past Chair
Mr. Jack "Jay" A. Blossman, Jr.
Mr. Richard Brazzel
Mr. B. Wayne Brown
Ms. Valencia Sarpy Jones
Mr. Lee Mallett
Mr. James M. Moore, Jr.
Mr. Rémy Voisin Starns
Mr. Jimmie M. Woods, Sr.
Mr. Robert "Bobby" Yarborough

Absent

Mr. Ronnie Anderson
Mr. Blake Chatelain
Mr. Glenn Armentor
Mr. J. Stephen Perry

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

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Tay Moore, Ringgold High school student and 4-H state president, delivered the invocation. Bridget Seghers, Covington High School student and 4-H state secretary, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Bill Richardson welcomed Dr. Gina Eubanks, associate vice president of the LSU AgCenter nutrition program. She in turn introduced Dr. Sharman Charles, faculty representative, to present on the 50 years of the nutrition program.

3. Public Comment

There was one individual registered for public comment, but did not appear before the Board.

4. Presentation for Boyd Professor Gabriela González

Provost Haynie introduced Dr. González, the 77th LSU Boyd Professor. Dr. González provided remarks on her career at LSU. She was then presented with a certificate by Chair Werner.

5. Committee Meetings

The Board recessed the regular meeting to convene the committee meetings.

5.A. Academic & Research Committee

5.A.1. Discussion of Changes in ACT Test Administration and Scoring

Jose Aviles, Vice President for Enrollment Management, presented a report to the Board of the new changes to the ACT scoring platform. One new practice is section retesting. This will allow students to retest certain sections as opposed to retaking the entire ACT. The other method, which will potentially effect admission decisions and scholarship offers, is called "superscoring". Under this practice, students can choose their highest scores in all attempts for each sections in order to achieve the highest composite score. Mr. Aviles showed a list reflecting many large universities, such as Georgia, Florida, MIT, Georgia Tech, and Stanford are all using superscoring.

Mr. Starns expressed concerns of the disadvantage between students who can and cannot afford to take the ACT or sections of it multiple times. He cites the new scoring could create a greater disparity than the one that already exists.

Mr. Williams questioned the process of awarding scholarships if the new scoring format is adopted by LSU.

5.A.2. Request from LSU A&M to Establish a Master of Science in Financial Economics

Upon motion by Mr. Yarborough, seconded by Mr. Moore, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request to establish a Master of Science in Financial Economics at LSU A&M, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

5.A.3. Request from LSU A&M to Establish the Master of Science in Sport Management

Upon motion by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Yarborough, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request to establish a Master of Science in Sport Management at LSU A&M, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

5.A.4. Request from LSU A&M to Establish a Post-baccalaureate Certificate in Facilities Management

Upon motion by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Mallett, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request to establish a Post-baccalaureate Certificate in Facilities Management at LSU A&M, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

- 5.A.5. Request from LSU Health Sciences Center - New Orleans to Establish the Department of Interdisciplinary Oncology in the School of Medicine

Upon motion by Mr. Yarborough, seconded by Mr. Mallett, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request from LSU Health Sciences Center in New Orleans to establish a new Department of Interdisciplinary Oncology in its School of Medicine, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

- 5.A.6. Request from LSU A&M to Establish the Teacher Preparation Pathway for Early Childhood Education - Birth to Kindergarten and a Name Change for the Early Childhood Education Curriculum

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request to establish both the teacher certification pathway for Early Childhood Education - Birth to Kindergarten at LSU A&M and the name change for the BS in Early Childhood Education, Grades PK-3 to the BS in Early Childhood Education, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

- 5.A.7. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Request from LSU A&M for Continued Approval of the Center for Internal Audit
- B. Request from LSU A&M for Continued Approval of the Center for Rotating Machinery
- C. Request from LSU A&M for Continued Approval of the George W. and Jean H. Pugh Institute for Justice
- D. Request from LSU A&M to Establish LSU STEM Pathway Tuition Support Scholarship and the Cain Center Summer Institute Tuition Support Scholarship
- E. Request from LSU A&M to Name Two Areas within LSU Athletic Facilities
- F. Request from LSU A&M to Name the Richard T. Hedley Gate at Tiger Stadium
- G. Request from LSU A&M To Re-Name the LSU AgCenter Research Station to the Doyle Chambers Central Research Station
- H. Request from LSU Eunice to Establish the Lafayette Surgical Specialty Hospital Endowed Two-Year Student Workforce Scholarship
- I. Request from LSU A&M to Change the Name of a BoR Endowed Scholarship
- J. Recommendation to Establish 2020 Degree Conferral Dates for Online Degree Programs
- K. Recommendation to Approve Conferral of Degrees at the 2019 Fall Commencement Exercises

Upon motion by Mr. Moore, seconded by Ms. Jones, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolutions:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request from LSU A&M for continued, five year approval of the Center for Internal Auditing, 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 for continued, five year approval of the Center for Rotating Machinery, 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 for continued, five year approval of the George W. and Jean H. Pugh Institute for Justice, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU A&M to establish both the LSU STEM Pathway Tuition Support Scholarship and the Cain Center Summer Institute Tuition Support Scholarship.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the LSU Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request from LSU A&M to name the following areas within the LSU Athletic Facilities:

1. Aaron Nola Pitching Development Center
2. Andy and Jackie Johnson Outside Linebackers Meeting Room

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the LSU Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request from LSU A&M to name Gate #21 at Tiger Stadium the "Richard T. Hedley Gate".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the LSU Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the renaming of the LSU AgCenter Central Research Station to the Doyle Chambers Central Research Station.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU Eunice to establish the Lafayette Surgical Specialty Hospital Endowed Scholarship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gift and otherwise complete the establishment of the Lafayette Surgical Specialty Hospital Endowed Scholarship.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU A&M to change the name of the Cajun Constructors Professorship of Construction Management to the Cajun Industries Professorship of Construction Management.

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 A&M for 2020: March 10, May 5, June 30, August 25, October 20, and December 15; LSU Alexandria for 2020: May 14, August 18, and December 19; and LSU Shreveport for 2020: March 10, May 15, August 7, September 1, October 27, and December 18.

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 2019 fall commencement exercises (December 12, 13, 19, 20, and 21).

5.B. Finance Committee

5.B.1. Request from Louisiana State University of Alexandria to Authorize Institutional Scholarships

Upon motion by Mr. Dampf, seconded by Mr. Yarborough, 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 does hereby authorize F. King Alexander, President of the Louisiana State University, or his designee, to offer each of the LSU at Alexandria scholarships outlined above according to their respective criteria and designated amounts.

5.C. Property & Facilities Committee

5.C.1. Request from LSU A&M to Enter into a Lease Agreement with the LSU Research Foundation for Space within the Louisiana Emerging Technology Center

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Mr. Moore, 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 (the "LSU Board") does hereby authorize Dr. F. King Alexander, President of Louisiana State University, or his designee, acting on behalf and in the name of the LSU Board, and in consultation with General Counsel, to execute a lease of approximately 21,474 square feet of rentable space from the LSU Research Foundation, for an amount not to exceed \$35 per square foot with utilities, custodial services, and property insurance included, and subject to a reasonable annual adjustment to account for inflation

5.C.2. Request from LSU Agricultural Center to Approve a Lease of Property for Agriculture Production Iberia Research Station, Iberia Parish Jeanerette, Louisiana

Upon motion by Mr. Yarborough, seconded by Mr. Brown, 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 does hereby authorize F. King Alexander, President, Louisiana State University System, to execute lease agreement(s) with highest responsive and responsible bidder(s) for the purpose of generating revenue for the LSU AgCenter to be utilized to address budget shortfalls and/or supplement other priority programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that F. King Alexander, President, Louisiana State University System, or his designee, be hereby authorized by and empowered for and on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors, in consultation with General Counsel, to include in the lease any and all provisions and stipulations that he deems in the best interest of the Board of Supervisors.

5.C.3. Request from LSU Agricultural Center to Approve a Lease of Property for Agriculture Production Pecan Research Station, Caddo Parish Bossier City, Louisiana

Upon motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Yarborough, 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 does hereby authorize F. King Alexander, President, Louisiana State University System, to execute lease agreement(s) with highest responsive and responsible bidder(s) for the purpose of generating revenue for the LSU AgCenter to be utilized to address budget shortfalls and/or supplement other priority programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that F. King Alexander, President, Louisiana State University System, or his designee, be hereby authorized by and empowered for and on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors, in consultation with General Counsel, to include in the lease any and all provisions and stipulations that he deems in the best interest of the Board of Supervisors.

5.D. Audit Committee

The Audit Committee Meeting was called to order at noon in the Board Conference Room at the University Administration Building.

Present:

Mr. Lee Mallett
Mr. Jack "Jay" A. Blossman
Mr. Robert Dampf
Mr. James Moore, Jr.
Mr. Rémy Starns
Mr. James Williams

Others present were: Ms. Mary Werner, Board Chair; Mr. Wayne Brown. Ms. Valencia Jones and Chief Auditor Chad Brackin.

1. Presentation on IT Security
Mr. John Borne of LSU ITS conducted a presentation about IT security in light of the ransomware attack on the IT system at LSU Eunice. There were conversations about the technical protections of the system as well as staffing considerations.
2. Revised FY 2020 Audit Plan to Include IT Governance Audit
Upon motion by Mr. Starns and seconded by Mr. Blossman, the revised audit plan was approved unanimously by the committee.
3. FY 2020 1st Quarter Audit Summary
Mr. Brackin provided a copy of the first quarter summary and provided comments.

The Committee Meeting was adjourned.

6. Reconvene Board Meeting

After adjournment of the Committee Meetings, the Regular Board Meeting was called back to order. The roll call was recorded.

7. Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Property & Facilities Committee Meeting held on October 22, 2019
2. Approval of the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on October 25, 2019

Upon the motion by Mr. Dampf, seconded by Mr. Mallett, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Property & Facilities Committee Meeting held on October 22, 2019 and the minutes of the Board Meeting held on October 25, 2019.

8. Personnel Actions Requiring Board Approval

Madam Chair requested to approval of the Personnel Actions.

Upon motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Mallett, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Personnel Actions.

9. Reports from Council of Staff Advisors and Council of Faculty Advisors

The staff report was given by Ashley Gautreaux. The faculty report was given by Dr. Mandi Lopez.

10. President's Report

Dr. Alexander commended Dean Peterson on the STEM publication pipeline sent to all EBR students.

Dr. Alexander reported the Georgetown reports acknowledged LSU earned various top rankings for earning to debt ratios.

Dr. Alexander reported LSU Health Sciences Shreveport held their inaugural HBCU Day.

Dr. Alexander reported NCBRT and ACE Program was recognized by the US House of Reps in training first responders from around the country.

Dr. Alexander acknowledged the family of LSUE first chancellor donated items from the founding campus to the library.

Dr. Alexander reported LSU AgCenter received the national excellence in multiple states research award from APLU.

Dr. Alexander congratulated the newly named deans from the main campus: Troy Blanchard, College of Humanities & Social Sciences and Dr. Roland Mitchell, College of Human Sciences and Education.

Dr. Alexander congratulated students for receiving national awards.

Mr. Dampf concluded with acknowledging Dr. Kirwan for his recognition in the Baton Rouge Business Report.

11. Reports to the Board

1. 1st Quarter Informational Board Report

There was an error in the report regarding two Pennington faculty members. Ms. Werner made a motion to adopt the revised version of the report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mallett.

2. FY 2019-2020 1st Quarter LSU Investment Report

Motion to approve report by Mr. Woods, seconded by Mr. Yarborough.

12. Committee Reports

A motion was made by Mr. Blossman, seconded by Mr. Yarborough, to approve the Committee resolutions there were recommended by the Committees. The Board voted unanimously to approve all Committee recommendations.

Mr. Starns stated he would like to recuse himself from Item 1 of the Property and Facilities Committee Meeting, and the approval of the item during the Regular Board Meeting.

13. Chair's Report

Ms. Werner presented the Board members with sod from Tiger Stadium to commemorate the victorious football season.

Ms. Werner thanked the Faculty Senate for allowing her to speak with them during their recent meeting.

Ms. Werner remarked on the impact LSU is having on the youth in Louisiana.

Ms. Werner announced the next meeting is on January 10 in Alexandria.

14. Adjournment

With no further business before the Board, Ms. Werner asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. With a motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Mr. Dampf, the meeting was adjourned.