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MINUTES

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mr. Ray Lasseigne, Chair, called to order the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College in the University Administration Building, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on May 6, 2016 at 1:40 p.m.

The secretary called the roll.

PRESENT

Mr. Raymond J. Lasseigne
Chairman
Mr. Ronald R. Anderson
Mr. Garret "Hank" Danos
Mr. Stanley J. Jacobs
Mr. Lee Mallett
Mr. Jim McCrery
Mr. J. Stephen Perry
Ms. Clare Sanchez

Mr. Scott Ballard
Chairman-Elect
Mr. R. Blake Chatelain
Ms. Ann D. Duplessis
Mr. Jack E. Lawton, Jr.
Mr. Rolfe McCollister, Jr.
Mr. James W. Moore, Jr.
Mr. Robert "Bobby" Yarborough

ABSENT

Mr. Scott A. Angelle

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 two (2) comments registered to address the Board regarding faculty and staff raises for LSU Alexandria. Dr. Susan Sullivan, President of Faculty Senate and Professor of Biology at LSU Alexandria; and Dr. Christof F. Stumpf, incoming President LSU Alexandria Faculty Senate addressed the Board.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Lasseigne recognized Dr. Daniel Howard, Chancellor of LSU Alexandria. Dr. Howard introduced faculty member, Dr. Haywood Joiner, Chair Department of Allied Health and Interim Chair Department of Business Administration who introduced LSU Alexandria students addressing the Board.

Mr. Joshua D. Williams gave the Invocation. Ms. Autumn Mitchell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Faculty member, Dr. Haywood Joiner, Jr., spoke on his commitment to LSU Alexandria and his active involvement in community service activities and professional activities in the Alexandria community. In addition to his commitments, he stated he is a tenured full professor and carries a teaching load of 12 semester hours.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on March 18, 2016

Upon motion of Mr. Yarborough, seconded by Mr. Ballard, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on March 18, 2016.

4. Reports from Staff Advisors and Faculty Advisors

Dr. Susan Sullivan, LSU Alexandria President of Faculty Senate, gave an informational report on behalf of the Council of Faculty Advisors.

The Council of Staff Advisors did not report.

5. President's Report

Dr. F. King Alexander, President of LSU recognized:

Dr. Larry Clark, Chancellor LSU Shreveport;

Ms. Chauncey Stephens, Awarded Prestigious Truman Scholarship, LSU A&M;

Mr. Stewart Humble, Finalist for Prestigious Rhodes Scholarship, LSU A&M, LSUHSC-New Orleans;

Dr. Larry Hollier, Chancellor LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans;

Dr. Richard Koubek, Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost;

Dr. G. E. Ghali, Interim Chancellor LSU Health Sciences Center Shreveport;

Dr. Dan Howard, Chancellor LSU Alexandria;

Mr. Dennis Henderson, LSU-S, Student Government President;

Ms. Allyssa Baumeister, LSU-S Student Government Vice President;

Ms. Betina Smith, LSU-S Student Government Secretary;

Mr. Zachary Faircloth, LSU A&M Student Government President;

Each provided recent activities, awards and contributions regarding respective campuses.

Dr. Alexander gave a special recognition to Dr. Gabriela González, Professor LSU Physics and Astronomy; and Dr. Joseph Giaime, LSU Professor Physics and Astronomy, and Observatory Head of LIGO Livingston. Dr. González and Dr. Giaime work at the LIGO Station and are responsible for the internationally acclaimed discovery of the gravitation wave. This scientific achievement has received national attention of the entire world.

Mr. Lasseigne read a resolution recognizing the LSU LIGO Scientific Collaboration.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the LSU Board of Supervisors recognizes and commends the LSU LIGO Scientific Collaboration team for their accomplishments in advancing the theory of relativity and for their continued leadership in research and discovery in the field of physics and astronomy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to the LIGO Collaboration team as an expression of gratitude and that this resolution be entered into the permanent record of the LSU Board of Supervisors.

Dr. Alexander recognized and thanked four board members, Hank Danos, Ray Lasseigne, Jack Lawton and Stephen Perry for their contributions and service to the Board. Their terms are expiring June 1, 2016.

6. Reports to the Board

- a. FY 2015-2016 3rd Quarter Consolidated Investment Report
- b. FY 2015-2016 3rd Quarter Consolidated Report on Personnel Actions Not Requiring Board Approval

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

7. Committee Reports

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

7A. Academic and Student Affairs, Achievement and Distinction Committee

Mr. Moore, Chairman of the Academic and Student Affairs, Achievement and Distinction Committee, reported that the Committee received three (3) requests for Board approval and two (2) consent agenda items. It is the recommendation of the Committee that the requests receive Board approval.

7A1. Request from LSU A&M to Approve Establishment of the Honors Promise Transfer Scholarship

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the request to establish the Honors Promise Transfer Scholarship at LSU A&M.

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 complete the establishment of the above named scholarship.

7A2. Request from LSU Shreveport to Approve the Establishment of an Active Duty Military Family Scholarship Program

Upon motion of Mr. Lawton, seconded by Mr. Anderson, 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 Shreveport to establish the Active Duty Military Family Scholarship program.

7A3. Request from LSU Shreveport to Approve the Establishment of an International Student Scholarship Program

Mr. Moore announced this request is being deferred.

7A4. Consent Agenda

- a. Recommendation to Approve Degrees to be Conferred at the 2016 Spring Commencement Exercises
- b. Recommendation to Approve Degrees to be Conferred at the 2016 Summer Commencement Exercises

Mr. Moore offered the following recommendation to approve the Consent Agenda item as submitted.

Upon motion of Mr. Chatelain, seconded by Mr. Anderson, 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 2016 spring commencement exercises (May 9, 12, 13, 15, 19, 20, 27, 28).

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 2016 summer commencement exercises (August 5, 8, 9, 10, 13, 24).

7B. Finance, Infrastructure, and Core Development Committee

Mr. Anderson, Chairman of the Finance, Infrastructure, and Core Development Committee, reported that the Committee received two (2) recommendations for Board approval and one (1) presentation. It is the recommendation of the Committee that the recommendations receive Board approval.

7B1. Recommendation to Amend the Bylaws and Regulations of the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College Board of Supervisors

Ms. Duplessis questioned how the amount of a 20% threshold was arrived at for authorizing the President to make decisions based on consultation with the leadership. She also expressed concern to make sure and keep the process honest and transparent. Also, the full board should be notified of any significant changes in a written report.

Mr. Martin noted the threshold followed state guidelines set up by State Facility Planning and Control for major capital projects. Mr. Lombardo said notifications go before the executive group.

Mr. Jacobs wanted to know how the threshold compared with the UL System. Mr. Martin said the UL System was different from ours and he did not have that comparison.

Mr. Chatelain appreciated the direction the board was going in and it would help streamline the process. He stated it was critical that delegating and documenting the processes are built in to oversee and keep things transparent. Mr. Chatelain passed out to Board members a list of summary reports that are being added into the bylaws as a result of proposed changes and reports that are already required to be submitted (copy on file in the office of the Board of Supervisors).

Mr. McCollister asked if all the foundations' reports were included in the reporting. These reports include foundation activities, successes, goals and results each year. Mr. Martin said if you currently get that report then you would continue or you can build more reports into the list at any time. He stated these reports today addressed items the Board is being asked to delegate additional authority so that the board members are able to keep the continued institutional oversight.

Mr. Chatelain stated the Board should have a policy that has a comprehensive check list of all reports and that the Board would benefit by reviewing periodically.

Mr. Jacobs voiced his concern that something could slip through, and not be approved by the Board. Mr. Martin said the President would keep the Board informed.

Upon motion of Mr. Yarborough, seconded by Mr. Chatelain, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the amended Bylaws.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby amend the Bylaws and Regulations of the Board as provided in Attachment I, effective immediately.

The copy of Attachment 1 is on file in the office of the LSU Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University.

7B2. Recommendation to Authorize an Exemption to Cover the FY 2016 Taylor Opportunity Programs for Students (TOPS) Funding Shortfall Absorbed by LSU Campuses

Upon motion of Ms. Duplessis, 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 & Mechanical College does hereby authorize F. King Alexander, President of LSU, or his designee, to authorize an exemption for FY 2016 to address the Spring 2016 TOPS shortfall identified by the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that F. King Alexander, President of LSU, or his designee, is duly authorized by and empowered for and on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College to implement an exemption for all affected University campuses to address the Spring 2016 TOPS shortfall and to make any additional adjustments as necessary to reflect the final actual shortfall identified by LOSFA.

7B3. LSU First Health Plan Update

Mr. A. G. Monaco, Associate Vice President of Human Resource Management gave a presentation on LSU First Health Plan Update.

7C. Property and Facilities Committee

Mr. McCollister, Chairman of the Property and Facilities Committee, reported that the Committee received two (2) requests for Board approval and two (2) consent agenda items. It is the recommendation of the Committee that the requests receive Board approval.

7C1. Request from LSU A&M for Final Approval to Complete the First Phase of the Nicholson Gateway Development Project

Mr. Stephen Moret, CEO LSU Foundation gave a presentation on LSU Nicholson Gateway Development. Mr. Moret introduced Mr. Greg Blais, President, Rise Real Estate Company who was hired to serve as the master developer of the project for student housing and other auxiliary facilities. Mr. Blais is working closely with LSU and gave his overview of this ongoing project.

Upon motion of Mr. Ballard, 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 does hereby authorize Dr. F. King Alexander, President of LSU, or his designee, acting on behalf and in the name of the Board, and in consultation with general counsel, to execute and deliver a Ground Lease and Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the LSU Property Foundation or any of its subsidiaries specifically including, but not limited to, Nicholson Gateway Project, LLC, to provide for the development of the Nicholson Gateway Project and related other housing projects, with all such agreements and documents, as well as any subsequent amendments thereto, to contain the terms and conditions, including prices, that the President deems to be in the best interest of LSU;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby authorize Dr. F. King Alexander, President of LSU, or his designee, acting on behalf and in the name of the Board, and in consultation with general counsel, to execute a Facilities Lease and any related Facilities Operation and Maintenance Agreement with Provident Group - Flagship, an independent non-profit, tax exempt entity, to lease, maintain, and operate any and all facilities developed pursuant to the Ground Lease and Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the LSU Property Foundation or its subsidiary Nicholson Gateway Project, LLC, with all such agreements and documents as well as any subsequent amendments thereto, to contain the terms and conditions, including prices, that the President deems to be in the best interest of LSU;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby acknowledge that the schematic designs for the Nicholson Gateway Project are in general compliance with the Campus Design Guidelines and hereby delegates the approval of the detailed plans and specifications to the University Architect or his designee;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby repeal its resolution of December 12, 2014 which authorized the President to execute a lease with the Tiger Athletic Foundation to provide for the construction of an LSU Athletics Nutrition Center to be located at the corner of Skip Bertman Drive and the railroad tracks;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby acknowledge that the Nicholson Gateway Project will constitute "Auxiliary Facilities" as defined in the General Bond Resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College on June 17, 1994, as supplemented and amended from time to time (the "General Bond Resolution"), and does hereby designate the Nicholson Gateway Project as Auxiliary Facilities and the revenues derived by LSU therefrom as "Auxiliary Revenues" as defined in the General Bond Resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the payment obligations of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College under the Facilities Lease shall be expressly subordinate to the payment of debt service on the Bonds (as defined in the General Bond Resolution heretofore or hereafter issued pursuant to the General Bond Resolution);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby find an acceptable university purpose, pursuant to the terms of the Uniform Affiliation Agreement between the Board and the LSU Foundation, for the LSU Property Foundation and any of its subsidiaries, including, but not limited to, Nicholson Gateway Project LLC, to execute and deliver the Ground Lease and Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with LSU, a Ground Sublease with Provident Group - Flagship, a Memorandum of Understanding or other agreement with RJSE: A Real Estate Company to serve as Master Developer of the Nicholson Gateway Project and the Replacement Housing Project, and any and all other agreements reasonably connected with or required for the development of the Nicholson Gateway Project and related other housing developments, with the final terms and conditions of all such agreements subject to the approval of Dr. F. King Alexander, President of LSU or his designee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that prior to final agreement execution, Dr. F. King Alexander, President of LSU, will notify the Board Chair, Chair-Elect, Immediate Past Chair, and the chair of the appropriate Board Committee of the final terms of all agreements authorized by this Resolution.

7C2. Request from LSU A&M for the Construction for Classroom Expansion & Renovation in the School of Veterinary Medicine under the Provisions of Act 959

Upon motion of Mr. Lawton, 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 does hereby authorize F. King Alexander, President of LSU, or his designee, to approve the following project and process the project through the appropriate administrative channels of review and approval, namely, the Board of Regents, the Division of the Administration, Office of Facility Planning and Control, and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget, pursuant to Act 959 of the 2003 Regular Legislative Session enacting R.S. 39:128(B)(4) as amended pursuant to Act No. 78 of the 2006 Regular Legislative Session:

LSU School of Veterinary Medicine Classroom Renovation and Expansion. Estimated total project cost is \$3,000,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said F. King Alexander, President of LSU, or his designee, is duly authorized by and empowered for and on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College to approve the plans and specifications for the proposed improvements and to approve cost increases up to 20% of the amount approved to accommodate unforeseen conditions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said F. King Alexander, President of LSU, or his designee, is duly authorized by and empowered for and on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College to take such action the he may deem in the best interest of the Board of Supervisors to process and obtain administrative approvals for this project.

7C3. Consent Agenda

- a. Request from LSU Agricultural Center for a Lease of Property for Solar Farm Development Southeast Research Station, Washington Parish Franklinton, Louisiana
- b. Request from LSU Agricultural Center for a Right of Way and Servitude Agreement Sweet Potato Research Station, Franklin Parish Chase, Louisiana

Mr. McCollister offered the following recommendation to approve the Consent Agenda item as submitted.

Upon motion of Ms. Duplessis, seconded by Mr. Lawton, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the Consent resolutions.

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 LSU, to execute lease agreement(s) with highest responsive and responsible proposer for the purpose of developing a Solar Farm, development of University Purpose Enhancement Programs and 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 of LSU, 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.

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 LSU, to execute the Right of Way and Servitude Agreement with MIDLA, LLC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that F. King Alexander, President of LSU, 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 Right of Way and Servitude Agreement any and all provisions and stipulations that he deems in the best interest of the Board of Supervisors.

7D. Audit Committee

The Audit Committee met at 9:00 a.m. in the LSU University Administration Building in Conference Room 112, Baton Rouge. Mr. Stanley Jacobs, Chairman of the Audit Committee, reported the Committee received one (1) presentation.

7D1. Presentation of FY 2016 3rd Quarter Audit Summary

The FY 2016 3rd Quarter Audit Summary was presented to the Audit Committee.

A copy of the Presentation FY 2016 3rd Quarter Audit Summary is one file in the Office of the LSU Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University.

8. Proposal to consider increasing the term of the Board officers from one to two years

Mr. Chatelain noted that there were pros and cons to making changes. He felt that everything was working well and suggested no changes and leave the officer terms at the one year period.

Upon motion of Mr. Chatelain, seconded by Mr. Moore, the Board voted unanimously to approve not increasing the term of Board officers to two years.

9. Recommendation to approve the 2016-2017 Board of Supervisors Meeting Schedule

Upon motion of Mr. Yarborough, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Proposed 2016-2017 LSU Board of Supervisors Meeting Schedule.

A copy of the Proposed 2016-2017 LSU Board of Supervisors Meeting Schedule is on file in the Office of the LSU Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University.

10. Chairman's Report

Chairman Lasseigne recognized Ms. Clare Sanchez, 2015-2016 Student Board Member, from the Paul Hebert Law Center, for her academic accomplishments and thanked her for service on this Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Ballard, seconded by Mr. Yarborough, the Board voted unanimously to approve the resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College commends Ms. Clare Sanchez for her service on this Board and wishes her great success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Ms. Sanchez as an expression of gratitude and that this resolution be entered into the permanent record of the Board of Supervisors.

The Chairman announced the next Board of Supervisors meeting will be held in Baton Rouge on June 24, 2016.

11. Adjournment

Chairman Lasseigne asked for a motion to adjourn with no further business before the Board.

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

Kay Miller
Administrative Secretary
LSU Board of Supervisors