

**MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM
October 28, 2021**

A. Call to Order/Roll Call

On Thursday, October 28, 2021, the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System met in a hybrid fashion. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Pierre at 1:33 p.m.

PRESENT

Mr. Barry Busada	Ms. Elizabeth Pierre (in person)
Dr. Jimmy Clarke	Mr. Virgil Robinson
Dr. John Condos	Mr. Mark Romero (in person)
Mr. Steve Davison	Ms. Kristine Russell
Ms. Lola Dunahoe (in person)	Mr. Joe Salter
Ms. Mildred “Mimi” Methvin	Mr. Brad Stevens (in person)
Mr. Alejandro “Al” Perkins	Ms. L’Oreal Williams (in person)
Mr. Dana Peterson	

ABSENT

Mr. Thomas Kitchen

A quorum was established. Also present were System President Jim Henderson, System staff, University Presidents, and Attorney Brandon DeCuir.

B. Certification

Ms. Pierre asked for a motion to accept the Certification to operate virtually as well as meet as a Committee of the Whole. On motion of Ms. Dunahoe, seconded by Dr. Condos, the Board unanimously approved a motion to operate virtually and to conduct business as a Committee of the Whole.

C. Invocation

Mr. Salter opened the meeting with an invocation.

D. Administration of Oath of Office to Mr. Dana Peterson, Board Member

Ms. Pierre welcomed Mr. Dana Peterson, who had recently been appointed by Governor Edwards to the Board. She invited Mr. Brandon DeCuir to administer the Oath of Office to Mr. Peterson, who will represent the 2nd Congressional District, replacing Mr. Carter. After being sworn in, Mr. Peterson said he was glad to join the Board and hoped to share his talents to further the mission of the System.

E. Approval of Minutes of August 26, 2021 Board Meeting

Upon motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Mr. Romero, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the August 26, 2021 Board Meeting.

F. **Report of Grievance Committee**

Grievance Committee Chair Methvin stated that the Grievance Committee had met and considered the grievance of Mr. Brandon Soram, Student, McNeese State University. She said that she was bringing forth the recommendation of the Committee.

Upon motion of Ms. Methvin, seconded by Ms. Dunahoe, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation of the Grievance Committee to uphold the decision of the University. The following resolution was adopted:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby upholds the process used by McNeese State University regarding the grievance of Mr. Brandon Soram and that no further consideration be given to Mr. Soram's appeal.

G. **Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

Dr. Clarke asked Dr. Jeannine Kahn, System Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, to present the agenda items.

Dr. Kahn described Items G.1.-G.9. and, upon motion of Dr. Condos, seconded by Ms. Methvin, the Board unanimously voted to approve these items.

G.1. Nicholls State University's request for approval to award an Honorary Doctorate of Science to Mr. Windell A. Curole at the Fall 2021 Commencement Exercises.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Nicholls State University's request for approval to award an Honorary Doctorate of Science in Mr. Windell A. Curole as the Fall 2021 Commencement Exercises.

G.2. Northwestern State University's request for approval to convert the existing Bachelor of Science in Theatre to a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Musical Theatre.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Northwestern State University's request for approval to convert the existing Bachelor of Science in Theatre to a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Musical Theatre.

G.3. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to name the School of Nursing the LHC Group · Myers School of Nursing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to name the School of Nursing the LHC Group · Myers School of Nursing.

G.4. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to terminate the Doctor of Occupational Therapy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to terminate the Doctor of Occupational Therapy.

- G.5. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to enter into a Transfer Articulation Agreement with the Louisiana Community and Technical College System.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to enter a Transfer Articulation Agreement with the Louisiana Community and Technical College System.

- G.6. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to offer an Undergraduate Certificate in Professional and Creative Writing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to offer an Undergraduate Certificate in Professional and Creative Writing.

- G.7. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to award an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters to Mr. Henry Heier at the Fall 2021 Commencement Exercises.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to award an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters to Mr. Henry Heier at the Fall 2021 Commencement Exercises.

- G.8. University of New Orleans' request for approval to award an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters to Dr. Jericho Brown at the Fall 2021 Commencement Exercises.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to award an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters to Dr. Jericho Brown at the Fall 2021 Commencement Exercises.

- G.9. University of New Orleans' request for approval to name the College of Engineering "The Dr. Robert A. Savoie College of Engineering."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of New Orleans' request for approval to name the College of Engineering "The Dr. Robert A. Savoie College of Engineering."

H. **Athletic Committee**

Dr. Condos asked Mr. Bruce Janet, System Director of Internal and External Audit, to present the items under consideration by the Athletic Committee. Dr. Condos congratulated the coaches and student-athletes for the accomplishments noted on the Summary of Significant Athletic Activities.

After discussion, upon motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Ms. Williams, Items H.1. through H.11. were unanimously approved by the Board.

- H.1. Louisiana Tech University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Michael Duffy Conroy, Assistant Men's Basketball Coach, between Louisiana Tech University and Louisiana Tech Foundation, effective July 1, 2021.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Louisiana Tech University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Michael Duffy Conroy, Assistant Men's Basketball Coach, between Louisiana Tech University and Louisiana Tech Foundation, effective July 1, 2021.*

- H.2. Louisiana Tech University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Joshua Taylor, Head Women's Softball Coach, between Louisiana Tech University and Louisiana Tech University Foundation, effective June 7, 2021.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Louisiana Tech University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Joshua Taylor, Head Women's Softball Coach, between Louisiana Tech University and Louisiana Tech Foundation, effective June 7, 2021.*

- H.3. Louisiana Tech University's request for approval of a Revised Athletic Home Game Complimentary Ticket Policy, effective November 1, 2021.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Louisiana Tech University's request for approval of a Revised Athletic Home Game Complimentary Ticket Policy, effective November 1, 2021.*

- H.4. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Christopher McBride, Head Women's Soccer Coach, effective September 1, 2021.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Christopher McBride, Head Women's Soccer Coach, effective September 1, 2021.*

- H.5. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Benjamin Gipson, Associate Men's Baseball Coach, effective September 1, 2021.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Benjamin Gipson, Associate Men's Baseball Coach, effective September 1, 2021.*

- H.6. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Luc Godin, Head Men's Tennis Coach, effective August 23, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Luc Godin, Head Men's Tennis Coach, effective August 23, 2021.

- H.7. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of a contract with Ms. Stephanie Vallejos, Head Women's Tennis Coach, effective July 1, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of a contract with Ms. Stephanie Vallejos, Head Women's Tennis Coach, effective July 1, 2021.

- H.8. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of amended Contracts for Employment for various Assistant Football Coaches, effective July 1, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval of the amendments to the contracts of Mr. Jabbar Juluke, Assistant Football Coach and Running Backs Coach; Mr. Mark Hocke, Head Coach of Strength and Conditioning Program and Associate Head Football Coach; Mr. Michael Desormeaux, Assistant Football Coach and Tight Ends Coach; Mr. Patrick Toney, Assistant Football Coach and Defensive Coordinator; and Mr. Tim Leger, Assistant Football Coach and Recruiting; effective July 1, 2021.

- H.9. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Terry Bowden, Head Men's Football Coach, between the University of Louisiana at Monroe and the ULM Athletic Foundation, effective August 1, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval of a contract with Mr. Terry Bowden, Head Men's Football Coach, between the University of Louisiana at Monroe and the ULM Athletic Foundation, effective August 1, 2021.

- H.10. University of New Orleans' request for approval of a contract with Mr. Michael Blake Dean, Head Men's Baseball Coach, effective July 1, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of New Orleans' request for approval of a contract with Mr. Michael Blake Dean, Head Men's Baseball Coach, effective July 1, 2021.

- H.11. University of New Orleans' request for approval of a contract with Mr. Timothy Duncan, Vice President of Athletics & Recreation (VPAR), effective November 1, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of New Orleans' request for approval of a contract with Mr. Timothy Duncan, Vice President of Athletics & Recreation (VPAR), effective November 1, 2021.

I. **Facilities Planning Committee**

Committee Vice Chair Busada asked Mr. Janet to discuss the Facilities Planning Committee items. He introduced nine agenda items.

Upon motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Mr. Salter, the Board voted unanimously to approve Items I.1.-I.9.

- I.1. University of Louisiana System's proposal to revise a Board Rule, Chapter VI, Facilities Planning, Section V. Naming University Facilities, effective October 28, 2021.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves the proposal to revise a Board Rule, Chapter VI, Facilities Planning, Section V. Naming University Facilities, effective October 28, 2021.*

- I.2. Nicholls State University's request for approval to amend its Five-Year Capital Outlay submission to include the project, New Nursing Building, Planning & Construction.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Nicholls State University's request to amend its Five-Year Capital Outlay submission to include the project, the New Nursing Building, Planning & Construction.*

- I.3. Nicholls State University's request for approval to lease approximately 21 acres of land located at the University Farm at Lafourche Crossing, on Hwy. 1 east of Thibodaux, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana, to Ducks Unlimited, Inc., a non-profit corporation domiciled in Washington, D.C.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Nicholls State University's request for approval of a Ground Lease for approximately 21 acres of land located at the University Farm at Lafourche Crossing, on Hwy. 1 east of Thibodaux, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana to Ducks Unlimited, Inc., a non-profit corporation domiciled in Washington D.C., as authorized by La. R.S. 17:3361.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Nicholls State University has obtained final review from UL System staff, legal counsel, and shall secure all other appropriate approvals from agencies/parties of processes, documents, and administrative requirements prior to execution of documents.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the President of Nicholls State University or his or her designee is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents associated with said Ground Lease.*

***AND FURTHER**, that Nicholls State University will provide the System office with copies of all final executed documents for Board files.*

- I.4. Southeastern Louisiana University's request for approval to enter into a Ground Lease with the Southeastern Louisiana University Foundation to renovate "The Inn" on Southeastern's campus, as authorized by La. R.S. 17:3361.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Southeastern Louisiana University's request to enter into a Ground Lease with the Southeastern Louisiana University to renovate "The Inn" on Southeastern's campus, as authorized by La. R.S. 17:3361.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Southeastern Louisiana University has obtained final review from UL System staff, legal counsel, and shall secure all other appropriate approvals from agencies/parties of processes, documents, and administrative requirements prior to execution of documents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of Southeastern Louisiana University or his or her designee is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents associated with said Ground Lease.

AND FURTHER, that Southeastern Louisiana University will provide the System office with copies of all final executed documents for Board files.

- I.5. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for authorization to utilize designated Capital Outlay funds for the acquisition of the former Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital property, Society of the Roman Catholic Church of the Diocese of Lafayette.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for authorization to utilize designated Capital Outlay funds for the acquisition of the former Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital property, Society of the Roman Catholic Church of the Diocese of Lafayette.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the University of Louisiana at Lafayette has obtained final review from UL System staff, legal counsel, and shall secure all other appropriate approvals from agencies/parties of processes, documents, and administrative requirements prior to execution of documents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette and/or his designee are hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to execute the purchase of the Diocese's portion of the former Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital at such times as deemed appropriate to facilitate the purchase transactions.

AND FURTHER, that the University of Louisiana at Lafayette will provide the System office with copies of all final executed documents for Board files.

- I.6. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to name the new Softball Student Athlete Training Leadership Center the "Stangier – Young Leadership Center."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to name the new softball building the "Stangier – Young Leadership Center."

- I.7. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to name the agriculture department green space on campus the "Flint and Jimmy Robertson Agriculture Greenhouse Complex."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to name the agriculture department green space on campus the "Flint and Jimmy Robertson Agriculture Greenhouse Complex."

- I.8. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to name rooms in the School of Construction Management building.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to name rooms in the School of Construction Management building: Room 128 for Cajun Industries, LLC; Patio for Turner Industries, Inc.; and Room 127 for Pane Truss of Longview, Inc.

- I.9. University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to name a room in the School of Construction Management Building the "Jim V. Haddox Student Study Center."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Monroe's request for approval to name a room in the School of Construction Management building the "Jim V. Haddox Student Study Center."

J. **Finance Committee**

Committee Chair Virgil Robinson asked staff to present the campus requests. Mr. Eddie Meche, System Vice President for Business and Finance, presented Items J.1.-J.2. and J.5. Mr. Bruce Janet presented Items J.3.-J.4.

Upon motion of Dr. Condos, seconded by Mr. Davison, the Board voted unanimously to approve Items J.1. through J.3.

- J.1. Northwestern State University's request for approval of a Proposed New Fee Rate for the Post-Master's (PMC) for Eligible Nursing Programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Northwestern State University's request for approval for a tuition rate set at 80% of the normal tuition rate for Willis-Knighton Health Care System employees in the Post-Master's Certificate Family Nurse Practitioner program or the Post- Master Certificate Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner program.

- J.2. University of New Orleans' request for approval of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with TMTP Labs, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves the University of New Orleans' request to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with TMTP Labs, Inc. for the development of new nanomaterial composites.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dr. John W. Nicklow, President of University of New Orleans, is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to execute this Cooperative Endeavor Agreement.

AND FURTHER, that UL System staff and legal counsel ensure that all documents conform to statutory and administrative requirements.

- J.3. University of New Orleans' request for approval of a revised Internal Audit Charter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of New Orleans' request for approval of a revised Internal Audit Charter.

- J.4. University of Louisiana System's report on internal and external audit activity for the period of August 23 to October 24, 2021.

This was a report only, and no Board action was necessary.

- J.5. University of Louisiana System's discussion of Fiscal Year 2020-21 fourth quarter financial reports and ongoing assurances.

This was a report only, and no Board action was necessary.

K. **Personnel Committee**

Ms. Dunahoe asked Ms. Kecia Neal, System Accountant, to present the campus requests. Ms. Neal discussed Items K.1.-K.3. Upon motion of Mr. Salter, seconded by Mr. Busada, the Board unanimously approved the following items.

- K.1. Grambling State University's request for approval to appoint Dr. Debbie Thomas as Dean of the College of Education effective August 16, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Grambling State University's request for approval to appoint Dr. Debbie Thomas as Dean of the College of Education effective August 16, 2021.

President Gallot introduced Dr. Thomas. Dr. Thomas said it was an honor to serve Grambling State University in this role as Dean of the College of Education. She indicated that she had 30 years in higher education.

- K.2. Northwestern State University's request for approval to appoint Dr. Mary Edith Stacy as Interim Dean of the College of Business and Technology effective September 6, 2021.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves Northwestern State University's request for approval to appoint Dr. Mary Edith Stacy as Interim Dean of the College of Business and Technology effective September 6, 2021.*

- K.3. University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to continue the appointment of Mr. Michael McClure as Interim Dean of the College of the Arts effective September 1, 2021.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of Louisiana at Lafayette's request for approval to continue the appointment of Mr. Michael McClure as Interim Dean of the College of Arts effective September 1, 2021.*

L. **System President's Business**

- L.1. Personnel Actions

President Henderson said that System staff had reviewed all personnel actions from the campuses and recommends approval. He announced that one additional Personnel Action was included for Ms. Erica Calais, as Title IX Coordinator was being added to her title of Vice President for Student Affairs.

Upon motion of Ms. Dunahoe, seconded by Mr. Romero, the Board unanimously voted to approve the System personnel actions.

- L.2. System President's Report

COVID-19

Dr. Henderson updated the Board on the status of the pandemic responses. He stated that indoor masking policies remain in place in regions of high transmission rates. As conditions improve and as appropriate, the universities will have the authority to loosen restrictions. He stated that vaccination and testing are available on all campuses and about 85% of employees and 65% of students are partially or fully vaccinated. Also, with the recent addition of requirements for federal contractors and subcontractors to be vaccinated, religious and/or medical accommodations made be requested by these individuals.

Title IX

Ms. Erica Calais, System Vice President for Student Affairs, reported that the institutions have revised and finalized updates to campus Title IX policies. She indicated that the System Policy and Procedures Memorandum has been revised to comply with new requirements.

Northwestern State University Presidential Search

Ms. Calais additionally reported on the Northwestern State University Presidential Search. She stated that the Search Committee had met on October 14 to review applicants and selected six semifinalists. On November 1 and 2 in Natchitoches the Search Committee interviewed the semifinalists and selected two finalists. She stated that the Board will interview the finalists on November 8 at a Special Meeting in Baton Rouge.

Grambling State University Safety Update

Dr. Henderson asked Grambling President Gallot to give an update to the Board concerning a response to recent tragic events on the campus. President Gallot said that the GSU Campus Police has been receiving assistance from appropriate outside agencies. In addition, the Louisiana State Police will fully investigate the events and provide support to ensure the safety of students, faculty, and staff. President Gallot will continue to keep the Board informed.

Management and Leadership Institute Report

Dr. Henderson said that the fifth cohort of the Management and Leadership Institute began earlier in the year, including sessions at UL-Lafayette, Southeastern, and UL-Monroe.

For Our Future Conference

President Henderson encouraged the Board Members to mark their calendars for the 2022 For Our Future Conference to be held in Natchitoches on January 27-28. He stated that the focus will be on the Core Community, Core Mission, and Core Performance.

Content Expert Webinars

Dr. Henderson said that two webinars had been hosted by System content experts, Beth Blankenship and Meredith King from University of New Orleans and Aimee Hollander from Nicholls State University. He also said that Carla Howell and Tari Dilks will each host a webinar in November and December, respectively.

Policy and Procedure Memorandum Revision

Dr. Henderson announced that *Policy and Procedures Memorandum M-2, Name Change Policies and Guidelines*, had been revised and will be updated on the System website.

- M. Evaluation of Campus Presidents (Grambling State University, Louisiana Tech University, McNeese State University, Nicholls State University, Southeastern Louisiana University, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, University of Louisiana at Monroe and University of New Orleans)

Dr. Henderson asked for a motion to meet in Executive Session to discuss the Evaluation of Campus Presidents. Upon motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Ms. Dunahoe, at 3:03 p.m., the Board voted by roll call to meet in Executive Session.

The following vote by roll call was recorded: Mr. Busada, Dr. Clarke, Dr. Condos, Mr. Davison, Ms. Dunahoe, Ms. Methvin, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Peterson, Ms. Pierre, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Romero, Ms. Russell, Mr. Salter, Mr. Stevens, and Ms. Williams. There were no opposing votes.

Upon motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Mr. Romero, the Board unanimously voted to reconvene in Open Session at 3:23 p.m. It was stated that the Board met in Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, and no motions were made or votes taken.

N. **Board Chair's Business**

N.1. **Board Chair's Report**

Commencements

Vice Chair Pierre said that they could expect an email reminder from Ms. Sandra Green encouraging them to register their attendance at Fall Commencement Ceremonies.

Nominating Committee

Ms. Pierre indicated that she had appointed Mr. Al Perkins, Mr. Mark Romero, and Ms. Kristine Russell to the Nominating Committee. The purpose of the Committee is to recommend 2022 officers to the full Board. The recommendation will be presented at the December 9 Board meeting.

Training Reminders

Ms. Pierre reminded the Board members that each must complete the Preventing Sexual Harassment and Ethics courses prior to the end of the year. She directed them to Mr. Janet for further information.

O. **Other Business**

Ms. Pierre reminded them about the Special Board Meeting scheduled for November 8 at 10:00 a.m. in the Claiborne Building. She said that the purpose of the meeting is to interview the two finalists for the presidency of Northwestern State University.

Additionally, she reported that the last Regular Board Meeting of the year will be held virtually on December 9.

P. **Adjournment**

Upon motion of Mr. Stevens, seconded by Ms. Dunahoe, at 3:26 p.m., the Board voted to adjourn.