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ADVISORY COUNCIL

Wednesday, September 13, 2017

The Louisiana Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (LaSTEM) Advisory Council met at 10:01 a.m. on Wednesday, September 13, 2017, at the Claiborne Building, Thomas Jefferson Room 1-136, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Dr. Joseph Rallo, Commissioner of Higher Education called the meeting to order. Vernon Dunn, Program Manager, called the roll and a quorum was established.

Committee Members Present

Jada Lewis
Joseph Rallo
John White
Susana Schowen
Carrick Inabnett
Tom Yura
Ken Tucker
Mahyar Amouzegar
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Patty Glaser
Tricia Miller
William Wainwright
Janet Pope
Nathan Cotton
Sharon Hewitt
Rachel Finley
James Henderson
Ava Dejoie
Randy Duran
Todd McDonald

Committee Members Absent

Larry Carter, Jr.

Opening Remarks were made by Dr. Joseph Rallo and Senator Sharon Hewitt.

Oath of Office

The members of LaSTEM Advisory Council were sworn in by Dr. Uma Subramanian.

Review of ACT 392

Dr. Rallo provided a brief overall of ACT 392.

Environmental Scan of Existing or Emerging STEM Initiatives

Mr. Dunn explained the importance of the environmental scan and presented an in-depth overall of STEM initiatives.

Quarterly and Annual Goals

Dr. Rallo presented a timeline for the goals to be met.

Establishment of Subcommittees/Workgroups

Dr. Jeanne Burns, Dr. Lupe Lamadrid, Mrs. Tonnisha Ellis, Dr. Lisa Vosper and Mrs. Nikki Godfrey presented overalls of each of the following subcommittees: K-12, Higher Education, Community Engagement, Workforce and Public Affairs.

Open Discuss

Several members of the Council and audience made comments and observations.

LaSTEM FUND

Senator Hewitt addresses the funding and fundraising components.

Adjournment

There being no further business regarding LaSTEM Advisory Council. Dr. Joseph Rallo adjourned the meeting at 12:22p.m.