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MINUTES
LSU BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
University Administration Building Board Room
Louisiana State University
3810 W. Lakeshore Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808
MEETING TO BE CONDUCTED TELEPHONICALLY
Friday, June 19, 2020 | Time: 10:00 a.m. CT

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In order to address the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor John Bel Edwards took measures to protect the public and issued several proclamations pertaining the crowd sizes and public buildings. Due to the continuing state of emergency, the Governor issued Proclamation Number 75, effective between June 5 and June 26, 2020, allowing boards and commissions to meet via electronic means so long as the public could observe and offer input.

The mandates for physical distancing and public safety prevent the LSU Board of Supervisors from meeting in person and with members of the public. As such, the Board will conduct its meeting on June 19, 2020 through electronic means.

The LSU Board of Supervisors will follow its normal procedures by posting the agenda and supporting materials in advance of the meeting on its website. The website will also have instructions for individuals to provide public comment and view the meeting in real time. Information and instructions about the meeting will be posted at: <https://www.lsu.edu/bos/minutes.php>

Thank you in advance for your understanding in these unusual circumstances.

/s/ Jason Droddy

Jason Droddy

Office of the LSU Board of Supervisors

I. 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 through telephonic means on June 19, 2020. Roll was called.

Present

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

Absent

Mr. Ronnie Anderson
Mr. Blake Chatelain
Mr. James M. Moore, Jr.
Mr. J. Stephen Perry
Mr. Robert "Bobby" Yarborough

Also participating in the meeting were the following: Mr. Thomas Galligan, Interim President of LSU; Mr. Winston DeCuir, General Counsel for LSU; University officers; and, administrators of the campuses; faculty representatives; interested citizens and representatives of the news media.

II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The invocation was offered by Richala Jackson, LSU Law student and president of the Black Law Students Association. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gideon Adeyemo, student leader for the Black Male Leadership Initiative.

III. Oath of Office for Mr. Stone Cox

Ms. Werner administered the Oath of Office to new Board member, Mr. Stone Cox, representing as the student member from LSU A&M.

IV. Public Comment

Governor John Bel Edwards provided remarks stating his support of removing the name "Troy A. Middleton" from the library.

There were 25 individuals registered to public comment, all related to Item 1 of the Academic and Research Committee agenda.

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

V. Committee Meetings

5.A. Academic & Research Committee

The Vice Chair, Mr. Armentor, presided in the absence of Mr. Anderson.

After roll call was recorded, there was no quorum in the Academic Committee. Per the Bylaws, Ms. Werner appointed Mr. Starns to serve on the Academic Committee, giving the Committee a quorum.

5.A.1. Request to Remove Name from University Property

There were two invited guests to share their remarks on the item. First, Mr. Woody Jenkins, friend of the Middleton family, shared his opposition to the item. Ms. Katrina Dunn, president of the LSU A.P. Tureaud Sr. Black Alumni Chapter, shared her support of the item.

Motion by Mr. Starns to amend the following proposed resolution:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College hereby approves the recommendation to remove the name Troy H. Middleton from the main library at LSU A&M.

The amended resolution to include "from the President", which would read as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College hereby approved the recommendation from the President to remove the name Troy H. Middleton from the main library at LSU A&M.

Without objection, the motion carried.

The following Board members followed with their remarks, all of which were in favor of the item: Ms. Jones, Mr. Cox, Mr. Dampf, Mr. Williams, Mr. Woods, and Ms. Werner.

Upon motion by Mr. Williams, and seconded by Ms. Jones, the Committee recommended this resolution for Board approval:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College hereby approved the recommendation from the President to remove the name Troy H. Middleton from the main library at LSU A&M.

5.A.2. Request from LSU A&M to Establish the Graduate Certificate in Crime Mapping and Geospatial Intelligence Analytics

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, and seconded by Ms. Jones, the Committee recommended this resolution for Board approval:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request to establish the Graduate Certificate in Crime Mapping and Geospatial Intelligence Analytics at LSU A&M, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

5.A.3. Request from LSU A&M to Establish the Graduate Certificate in Emerging Information Technologies for Business

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, and seconded by Ms. Jones, the Committee recommended this resolution for Board approval:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request to establish the Graduate Certificate in Emerging Information Technologies for Business at LSU A&M, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

- 5.A.4. Request from LSU Health Sciences Center - New Orleans for Full, Five-Year Approval of the Center for Evidence-Based Practice in Behavioral Health

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, and seconded by Mr. Cox, the Committee recommended this resolution for Board approval:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request from LSU Health Sciences -New Orleans for full, five-year approval of the Center for Evidence-Based Practice in Behavioral Health, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

- 5.A.5. Special Presentation on the Return to Campus and COVID Preparations

Dr. Galligan presented the main campus' plan to return to campus as it relates to the fall semester.

- 5.B. Finance Committee

- 5.B.1. Request to Approve the FY 2020 Supplemental Appropriation and FY 2021 Appropriations

Upon motion by Mr. Brown, and seconded by Mr. Dampf, the Committee recommended this resolution for Board approval:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (Board) that the Board authorizes the Interim President of LSU Thomas Galligan, or his designee, to act on behalf of the Board in presenting the methodology and distribution of appropriations and related budget information for FY 2021 to the institutions of the University, the Board of Regents, the Governor and his agencies, and the Legislature or its committees as required between meetings of the Board, and hereby delegates all such authority necessary to accomplish such purposes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the actions taken herein constitute approvals of the appropriations, not specific approval of the FY 2021 operating budgets of any budget entity of the University, as required, which remain with the Board or President of LSU, each respectively, pursuant to the Bylaws and as provided by law.

- 5.B.2. Request from LSU A&M to Approve Re-Allocation of University Laboratory School Restricted Tuition to Support General Operating Budget

Upon motion by Mr. Dampf, and seconded by Mr. Brown, the Committee recommended this resolution for Board approval:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request to reallocate a portion of tuition revenue, which was initially approved as restricted funds to support the issuance of revenue bonds for construction, not to exceed the amount required for the annual debt service payment, to the University Laboratory School general operating budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors authorizes the President to approve annual adjustments to the restricted tuition allocation amounts, as needed to support the general operational efforts and service provided to the students of the University Laboratory School, but not to exceed the amount required for the annual debt service payment.

- 5.B.3. Request from LSU Health Sciences Center in Shreveport to Approve the FY2021 Expenditure of Carroll W. Feist Legacy Funds for the Feist Weiller Cancer Center and to Make Determinations of Acceptable University Purposes

Upon motion by Mr. Brown, and seconded by Mr. Dampf, the Committee recommended this resolution for Board approval:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby (a) approve the budget request of \$4,346,000 from the Feist Legacy Account for the benefit of the Feist Weiller Cancer Center programs at the LSU Health Sciences Center - Shreveport and (b) that the Board determines that the use of those funds constitute an appropriate and acceptable university purpose.

- 5.B.4. Request from LSU Shreveport to Revise the Athletic Scholarship Policy

Upon motion by Mr. Brown, and seconded by Mr. Dampf, the Committee recommended this resolution for Board approval:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College ("Board") authorizes the President and/or his designee to approve the revisions of the LSU Shreveport Athletic Scholarship Policy.

- 5.C. Property & Facilities Committee

- 5.C.1. Request from LSU Agricultural Center to Approve a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for a Rice Mill to be Located in Crowley, La.

Upon motion by Mr. Williams, and seconded by Mr. Brown, the Committee recommended this resolution for Board approval:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby authorize the President to execute documents related to the cooperative endeavor agreement with Rush Rice Products, LLP, as presented on this day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the President, in consultation with the General Counsel, may make minor or technical adjustments to the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for execution of the agreement that are in the best interest of LSU.

- 5.D. Athletics Committee

- 5.D.1. Request from LSU Shreveport Athletics to Approve Contracts for Phillip Bohn and Kyle Blankenship

Upon motion by Mr. Blossman, and seconded by Mr. Woods, the Committee recommended this resolution for Board approval:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (“Board”) hereby approves the contract for Phillip Bohn, Head Men’s Soccer Coach, as presented on June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (“Board”) hereby approves the contract for Kyle Blankenship, Head Coach of Men’s Basketball, as presented on June 19, 2020.

5.D.2. Request from LSU Athletics to Approve Multiple Coaching Contracts

Upon motion by Mr. Brown, and seconded by Mr. Blossman, the Committee recommended this resolution for Board approval:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (“Board”) hereby approves the contract for Bill Armstrong, Men’s Basketball Assistant Coach, as presented on June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (“Board”) hereby approves the contract for Andy Brandi, CoHead Men’s Tennis Coach, as presented on June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (“Board”) hereby approves the contract for Chris Brandi, CoHead Men’s Tennis Coach, as presented on June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (“Board”) hereby approves the contract for Russell Brock, Head Beach Volleyball Coach, as presented on June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (“Board”) hereby approves the contract for Dave Geyer, Head Swimming Coach, as presented on June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (“Board”) hereby approves the contract for Steve Mellor, Assistant Coach for Swimming & Diving, as presented on June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (“Board”) hereby approves the contract for Kevin Nickelberry, Men’s Basketball Assistant Coach, as presented on June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (“Board”) hereby approves the contract for Garrett Reunion, Head Women’s Golf Coach, as presented on June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (“Board”) hereby approves the contract for Julia Sell, Co-Head Women’s Tennis Coach, as presented on June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (“Board”) hereby approves the contract for Michael Sell, CoHead Women’s Tennis Coach, as presented on June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (“Board”) hereby approves the contract for Doug Shaffer, Head Diving Coach, as presented on June 19, 2020.

Mr. Armentor added remarks regarding the naming of the court in the PMAC in honor of former coach, Dale Brown.

5.E. Audit Committee

5.E.1. Request to Approve the FY2021 Audit Plan

Chad Brackin, Chief Auditor presented the FY2021 Audit Plan. He asked the Board for approval.

Upon motion by Mr. Starns, and seconded by Mr. Dampf, the Committee recommended the plan for Board approval.

VI. Reconvene Board Meeting

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

VII. Approval of Minutes from May 22, 2020

Upon motion by Mr. Woods, seconded by Mr. Dampf, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Board meeting held on May 22, 2020.

VIII. Personnel Actions Requiring Board Approval

There were no personnel actions presented before the Board

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

Due to our format for this meeting the Council of Staff Advisors provided their report in writing, which included: all campuses reported staff is working toward returning to work; continued conversations surrounding diversity and inclusion; LSU working toward the 60th Anniversary celebration.

X. President’s Report

Prior to his report, President Galligan allowed the Chancellors to report the plan of return and/or continuation for their respective campuses.

The President reported on the following topics: student involvement on social issues; LSU’s commitment on diversity and inclusion; the return to campus plan; update on governmental relations; recruitment, enrollment and retention at the main campus; COVID research efforts by campus; accolades of faculty, staff, students and campuses.

XI. Reports to the Board

There were three reports provided to the Board for approval: Combined 2nd Quarter Summary, LSU FY 2019-2020 Quarterly Investment Report for Quarter Ending March 31, 2020, and 3rd Quarter Informational Report.

Upon motion by Mr. Armentor, seconded by Mr. Dampf, the reports were unanimously approved.

XII. Committee Reports

Ms. Werner stated she would entertain motions from the full Board to approve each item from the Committee meetings.

Upon motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Williams, the resolutions of the Academic and Research Committee were approved without objection.

Upon motion by Mr. Blossman, seconded by Mr. Dampf, the resolutions of the Finance Committee were approved without objection.

Upon motion by Mr. Woods, seconded by Ms. Jones, the resolutions of the Property and Facilities Committee were approved without objection.

Upon motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Armentor, the resolutions of the Athletics Committee were approved without objection.

Upon motion by Mr. Armentor, seconded by Mr. Starns, the resolution of the Audit Committee was approved without objection.

XIII. Chair's Report

Ms. Werner reported on the following topics: contribution by Louisiana against COVID; plans for the continuation of diversity and inclusion at all campuses.

XIV. Adjournment

Ms. Werner reported that the next meeting will be in August, with the type of meeting – virtual or in-person – being unknown.

Without objection, a motion to conclude the meeting was made by Mr. Armentor, seconded by Mr. Brown.