AUTONOMIES
To date, LSU has been granted the investments and facilities high level autonomies and all base level autonomies. The approvals for the procurement and risk management high level autonomies are expected to be granted later this fiscal year.

CURRENT STATUS

1. Procurement
   • LSU’s pilot procurement code was approved by the LSU Board of Supervisors on February 3, 2012.
   • LSU is currently working with the Division of Administration (DOA) to refine the pilot procurement code before moving on to the next step. LSU has requested but has not been formally named as the Initial Qualifying Institution by the DOA.
   • Proposed Implementation Date: Spring 2013 contingent on final LSU Board of Supervisors (BOS) approval, BOR review, DOA evaluation, Promulgation of Rules through the Louisiana Administrative Code procedures and Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget (JLCB) approval.

2. Professional, Personal, Consulting, and Social Services (PPCS)
   • LSU has been delegated authority to approve contracts up to $50,000 as part of the base level.

3. Risk Management
   • ORM has granted LSU a special high deductible plan for property and workers compensation insurance. The plan will allow LSU to reduce cost and build reserves in preparation of being granted the high level autonomy.
   • ORM provided a document entitled "Application for High Level Autonomy: Risk Management" for the University to complete in order to obtain the high level autonomy. Interim President Jenkins has granted LSU the authority to pursue the autonomy and LSU is preparing a response.
   • Proposed Implementation Date: Phased implementation beginning summer 2013 contingent on DOA evaluation along with LA Attorney General, BOS, and JLCB approval.

4. Facilities
   • LSU has completed a reorganization of Facility Services.
   • The newly restructured Facility Services unit of Planning, Design and Construction (PDC) has compiled the necessary planning documents that serve to manage targeted self-generated projects.
   • LSU received BOS approval at the April 27, 2012 meeting for the facilities high level autonomy and DOA approval was granted on July 27, 2012.
   • Proposed Implementation Date: In place.

5. Investments
   • LSU received approval of necessary documents, including a new Investment Policy Statement (PM-9), from the BOS at the December 2011 meeting.
   • LSU met with the Investment Advisory Committee in March 2012 and received final approval to implement the autonomy.
   • Proposed Implementation Date: In place.

6. Civil Service
   • Continued progress on a proposed MOU changing the basic relationship between LSU and Civil Service with key elements of a charter pilot program have been detailed. Current discussions are focused on modifications to Civil Service constraints in a number of areas: incremental pay increases, redesigned broadband classification system, temporary employment, and performance management.
   • Proposed Implementation Date: Fall 2012 contingent on Civil Service Commission approval.

7. Retirement
   • New proposal in development.

FINANCIAL
For FY 2012, LSU realized nearly $1.6M in new revenue from the initial implementation of GRAD Act autonomies. For current FY 2013, an additional $1.8M has been budgeted in projected savings and revenues attributable to utilizing these new operational autonomies.