

MINUTES
LSU BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
Stadium Club South, Tiger Stadium
North Stadium Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70803
Friday, August 6, 2021 | Time: 10:00 a.m. CT

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mr. Robert Dampf, Chair, called to order the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College on April 10, 2021.

Present

Mr. Robert Dampf, Chair
Mr. Rémy Voisin Starns, Chair-elect
Ms. Mary Leach Werner, Past Chair
Ms. Monica Aguilera
Mr. Glenn Armentor
Ms. Laurie Aronson
Mr. Wayne Brown
Mr. Jay Blossman
Ms. Valencia Sarpy Jones
Mr. Lee Mallett
Mr. Patrick C. Morrow
Mr. Collis Temple Jr.
Mr. James Williams
Mr. Richard Zuschlag

Absent

Mr. Randy Morris
Mr. Jimmie Woods

Also participating in the meeting were the following: Dr. William F. Tate IV, President of LSU; Mr. Winston DeCuir, General Counsel for LSU; University officer and administrators of the campuses; faculty and staff representatives; interested citizens and representatives of the news media.

II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The invocation was offered by Ms. Mary Leach Werner.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Valencia Sarpy Jones.

III. Public Comment

There were ten individuals registered for public comment: Dylan White, Rosemary Peters-Hill, Jeanne Donaldson, Kevin Yau, Meredith Veldman, Blake Howe, Max Conrad, Inessa Bazayev, Ravi Rau, and Margo Brault. All comments were related to Item 1 on the Academic & Research Committee agenda: Report on Return to Class and COVID Mitigation.

IV. Committee Meetings

Mr. Dampf adjourned the regular meeting to convene the committee meetings.

4.A. **Academic Committee**

Present for the Academic Committee were Ms. Jones, Ms. Aguilera, Mr. Armentor, Ms. Aronson, Mr. Blossman, Mr. Starns, Ms. Werner, and Mr. Williams.

Ms. Jones presented several accolades the University received.

4.A.1. Report on Return to Campus and COVID Mitigation

Report given by Dr. Matt Lee.

4.A.2. Request from LSU A&M to Establish the Graduate Certificate in Estate Planning and Taxation

Upon motion by Mr. Blossman, seconded by Mr. Starns, the item was approved without objection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU A&M to establish the Graduate Certificate in Estate Planning and Taxation.

4.A.3. Request from LSU A&M to Reauthorize the Admissions Policies Related to Standardized Tests for a Limited Term

Upon motion by Mr. Starns, seconded by Mr. Blossman, the item was approved without objection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College (the "Board") does hereby approve the extension of the authorization to remove the requirement of a standardized test score to apply to terms and sessions starting in Academic Year 2022-23.

4.A.4. Request from LSU A&M for Continued Authorization of the Horace C. Hearne, Jr. Institute for Theoretical Physics

Upon motion by Ms. Aguilera, seconded by Mr. Armentor, the item was approved without objection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from the LSU A&M for continued authorization of the Horace C. Hearne, Jr. Institute for Theoretical Physics.

4.A.5. Request from LSU Health Sciences Center – New Orleans for Continued Designation of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Center of Excellence

Upon motion by Ms. Werner, seconded by Mr. Williams, the item was approved without objection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU Health Sciences - New Orleans for continued designation of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Center of Excellence.

4.B. Finance Committee

Present for the Finance Committee were Mr. Brown, Ms. Aronson, Mr. Blossman, Mr. Mallett, Mr. Starns, and Mr. Zuschlag.

- 4.B.1. Request to Authorize the University to Enter Into a Contract for Third Party Administrator Services for the LSU First Health Plan

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Mr. Blossman, the item was approved without objection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby authorize the President, or his designee, acting on behalf and in the name of the Board, and in consultation with general counsel, to execute an agreement with WebTPA Employer Services, LLC (WebTPA) as determined by a competitive bid and evaluation process, with all such agreements and documents as well as any subsequent amendments thereto, to contain the terms and conditions, that the President deems in the best interest of LSU.

- 4.B.2. Request from LSU Shreveport to Authorize a Change to Institutionally Funded Scholarships for First-Time Freshmen

Upon motion by Mr. Zuschlag, seconded by Mr. Mallett, the item was approved without objection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby authorize the President of LSU or his designee to allow LSU Shreveport to change the scholarship at the highest level, Louisiana Scholarship, from a book allowance to a housing stipend applicable to the LSUS housing - Pilot's Pointe.

- 4.B.3. Request to Authorize the University to Enter Into a Contract for Full Insured LSU First Retiree Medicare Advantage Plan

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Ms. Aronson, the item was approved without objection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby authorize the President, or his designee, acting on behalf and in the name of the Board, and in consultation with general counsel, to execute an agreement with UnitedHealthcare as determined by a competitive bid and evaluation process, with all such agreements and documents as well as any subsequent amendments thereto, to contain the terms and conditions, that the President deems in the best interest of LSU.

- 4.B.4. Request to Authorize the University to Renew the Contract for Pharmacy Benefit Manager Services for the LSU First Health Plan

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Mr. Zuschlag, the item was approved without objection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby authorize the President, or his designee, acting on behalf and in the name of the Board, and in consultation with general counsel, to exercise the 24 month renewals of the agreement with MedImpact Healthcare System, Inc. as determined by a competitive bid and evaluation process, with all such agreements and documents

as well as any subsequent amendments thereto, to contain the terms and conditions, that the President deems in the best interest of LSU.

4.C. Property & Facilities Committee

Present for the Property & Facilities Committee were Mr. Brown, Ms. Aronson, Mr. Armentor, Ms. Jones, Mr. Mallett, and Mr. Temple.

4.C.1. Request from LSU A&M to Approve a Consent to Financing for Delta Kappa Epsilon

Upon motion by Ms. Aronson, seconded by Mr. Mallett, the item was approved without objection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College hereby authorizes the President of LSU or designee, acting on behalf and in the name of the Board, and in consultation with general counsel, to execute and deliver a Consent to Leasehold Mortgage related to financing being sought by Delta Kappa Epsilon and Zeta Zeta Alumni Association of Delta Kappa Epsilon, Inc., as required by the terms of the Ground Lease between LSU and Delta Kappa Epsilon and/or Zeta Zeta Alumni Association of Delta Kappa Epsilon, Inc., and to provide any other approvals, authorizations, or certifications necessary for the financing being sought.

4.D. Affiliated Organization Oversight Committee

Present for the Affiliated Organization Oversight Committee were Mr. Armentor, Mr. Morrow, Ms. Aronson, Mr. Brown, Mr. Temple, Ms. Werner, and Mr. Zuschlag.

4.D.1. Request from Pennington Biomedical Research Center to Approve the Development Agreement with the Pennington Biomedical Research Foundation

Upon motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Morrow, the item was approved without objection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors authorized the President to execute the Development Services Agreement with the Pennington Biomedical Research Foundation, as presented.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the President, in consultation with the General Counsel, may make refinements to the Development Services Agreement with the Pennington Biomedical Research Foundation as needed that are in the best interests of LSU and Pennington Biomedical Research Center prior to execution.

4.E. Athletics Committee

Present for the Athletics Committee were Ms. Werner, Mr. Temple, Mr. Blossman, Mr. Brown, Ms. Jones, Mr. Morrow, Mr. Starns, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Zuschlag.

4.E.1. Request from LSU A&M to Approve Contract for Women's Basketball Head Coach

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College authorizes the President, or his designee, to sign the contract with Kimberly Mulkey as described in this item, and to include in such amendments any terms and conditions as he, in consultation with the General Counsel, deems to be in the best interests of LSU.

4.E.2. Request from LSU A&M to Amend Contract for Softball Head Coach

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College authorizes the President, or his designee, to sign the contract with Beth Torina as described in this item, and to include in such amendments any terms and conditions as he, in consultation with the General Counsel, deems to be in the best interests of LSU.

4.E.3. Request from LSU A&M to Approve Contract for Women's Golf Head Coach

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College authorizes the President, or his designee, to sign the contract with Garrett Runion as described in this item, and to include in such amendments any terms and conditions as he, in consultation with the General Counsel, deems to be in the best interests of LSU.

4.E.4. Request from LSU A&M to Approve Term Sheet for Head Baseball Coach

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby approve the term sheet for Jay Johnson, and authorizes the President, or his designee, to continue negotiations toward a final contract to be approved by the Board of Supervisors.

4.E.5. Request from LSU A&M to Approve Contract for Assistant Coaches

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College authorizes the President, or his designee, to sign the contract with Dan Fitzgerald, Jason Kelly, Sytia Messer, and Brad Davis as described in this item, and to include in such amendments any terms and conditions as he, in consultation with the General Counsel, deems to be in the best interests of LSU.

Motion to approve Items 1 through 5 by Ms. Jones; seconded by Mr. Starns. Without objection, the motion passed.

4.F. Audit Committee

The Audit Committee convened at 8:30 a.m. in the Tiger Den Suites.

Present for the Audit Committee were Mr. Zuschlag, Mr. Blossman, Ms. Aronson, Mr. Brown, Mr. Mallett, and Mr. Williams.

Also present were President William Tate, Chief Auditor Chad Brackin, and General Counsel Winston DeCuir.

4.F.1. 4th Quarter Summary

Summary presented by Chad Brackin.

Upon motion by Mr. Blossman, seconded by Mr. Mallett, the item was approved without objection.

4.F.2. Investigative Matters

Mr. Zuschlag made a motion to enter executive session, and Blossman seconded. Without objection, the committee moved to executive session.

Committee exited executive session. Committee adjourned.

V. Reconvene Board Meeting

The regular meeting was called to order.

VI. Update from Office of Civil Rights and Title IX

Dr. Jane Cassidy provided a brief report.

VII. Consideration of Amendments to Bylaws and Regulations

Proposals presented by Mr. Starns.

7.A. **Consideration of Amendments to the Bylaws**

Motion by Mr. Dampf to amend the proposed bylaws to change the word “three” to “these” in the Risk Management Committee by Ms. Jones. Without opposition, the motion carries.

Mr. Starns called for a motion to withdraw proposed amendment for Section 1,L,2. Motion by Mr. Dampf, seconded by Ms. Werner. Without opposition, the motion carried.

7.B. **Consideration of Amendments to the Rules and Regulations**

Proposed amendment by Mr. Starns to include 20% increases in salary over a two-year period as required reporting. Motion to accept proposal by Mr. Dampf, seconded by Mr. Williams. without objection, the motion passes.

Motion by Mr. Williams, seconded by Ms. Jones, to adopt all proposed amendments. Discussion by the Board.

Question called, motion to end debate by Mr. Dampf, seconded by Mr. Mallett.

Roll call vote on the motion to end debate. With 10 yays and 3 nays, the motion passed.

Roll call vote for main motion to adopt all proposals as presented. With 11 yays and 2 nays, the motion passed.

VIII. Approval of Board Minutes of the June 18, 2021 Board Meeting

Upon motion by Mr. Zuschlag, seconded by Mr. Mallett, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2021 meeting.

IX. Approval of Personnel Actions

Upon motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Mallett, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2021 meeting.

X. Reports to the Board

A. FY21 4th Quarter Consolidated Investment Report

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Ms. Aguilera, the Board voted unanimously to approve the report.

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

Report for Faculty Advisors by Dr. Robinson.

A report was not submitted by the Staff Advisors.

XII. President's Report

President Tate' report included review of first thirty days and vision for the future of LSU.

XIII. Approval of Committee Reports

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Mr. Zuschlag, the Board voted unanimously to approve the committee recommendations.

XIV. Chair's Report

Chairman Dampf reported the next meeting is September 10, 2021.

XV. Adjournment

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.