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### MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING MARCH 6, 2020

#### 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 in the Board Room of the University Administration Building at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge on March 6, 2020.

The office administrator called the roll.

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

<u>Absent</u> Mr. Blake Chatelain Mr. J. Stephen Perry

Also present for the meeting were the following: Mr. Thomas Galligan, Interim President of LSU; Mr. Winston DeCuir, Jr., General Counsel for LSU; LSU officers and administrators from their respective campuses; faculty representatives; interested citizens and representatives of the news media.

#### II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

LSU swim team member and sports administration grad student, Haylee Knight, led the Pledge of Allegiance. The invocation was offered by Blake Ferguson, an MBA graduate and member of the 2019 National Championship football team.

# III. <u>Public Comment</u>

There were no individuals registered for public comment.

# IV. <u>Presentation by Association of Governing Boards on Leadership Structure Study</u>

AGB Consulting provided an overview and timeline of the status of the LSU presidential search process.

# V. <u>Committee Meetings</u>

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

### 5.A. <u>Academic & Research Committee</u>

5.A.1. Recommendation to Approve Conferral Dates at the 2020 Spring Commencement Exercises

Upon motion by Mr. Yarborough, seconded by Mr. Mallett, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the degrees to be conferred on candidates meeting degree requirements for graduation from the campuses of the University at 2020 spring commencement exercises (May 14, 15, 16, 17, and 30).

5.A.2. Request from LSU Alexandria to Establish the College of Business and Rename the College of Professional Studies

Upon motion by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Brazzel, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the requests to establish the College of Business and rename the College of Professional Studies to the College of Health and Human Services at LSU Alexandria, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

5.A.3. Request from LSU Alexandria to Establish a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Accounting

Upon motion by Mr. Yarborough, seconded by Mr. Brazzel, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request to establish the Post-baccalaureate Certificate in Accounting at LSU Alexandria, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

5.A.4. Request from LSU Shreveport to Establish a Bachelor of Science in Mass Communication

Upon motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Armentor, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request to establish a Bachelor of Science in Mass Communication at LSU Shreveport, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

5.A.5. Request from LSU Shreveport to Establish an Undergraduate Certificate in Business Law

Upon motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Yarborough, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request to establish the Undergraduate Certificate in Business Law at LSU Shreveport, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

5.A.6. Request from LSU Shreveport to Establish an Undergraduate Certificate in Small Business Management

Upon motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Yarborough, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request to establish the Undergraduate Certificate in Small Business Management at LSU Shreveport, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

5.A.7. Request from LSU Shreveport to Establish an Undergraduate Certificate in Business Fundamentals

Upon motion by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Yarborough, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request to establish the Undergraduate Certificate in Business Fundamentals at LSU Shreveport, subject to approval by the Louisiana Board of Regents.

5.A.8. Consent Agenda

Request from LSU Shreveport to Establish the Yancey Strain Endowed Professorship for the Spring St. Museum

Request from LSU Shreveport to Establish the Louisiana State University Shreveport Alumni Association First Generation Endowed Scholarship

Request from LSU Health Sciences Center – Shreveport to Establish the Max. M. Morelock Professorship in Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery

Request from LSU Health Sciences Center – Shreveport to Establish the David N. Cole Endowed Professorship for Community Health Initiatives in the School of Allied Health Professions

Request from LSU Health Sciences Center – Shreveport to Establish the Tommy Brown, M.D. Memorial Scholarship for Medical Students

Request from LSU Health Sciences Center – Shreveport to Establish the Sandra and Jerry Martin Endowed Scholarship for Medical Students – 2

Request from LSU Health Sciences Center – Shreveport to Establish the Lester Wayne Johnson Family Scholarship for Medical Students

Request from LSU Health Sciences Center – New Orleans to Establish the Isfana Ali, MD & Juzar Ali, MD Endowed Professorship

Request from LSU Health Sciences Center – New Orleans to Establish the Henry A. Gremillion, DDS Endowed Chair in Oral and Maxillofacial Pain

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Mr. Brazzel, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolutions:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU Shreveport to establish the Yancey Strain Endowed Professorship for the Spring St. Museum.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gifts and otherwise complete the establishment of the Yancey Strain Endowed Professorship for the Spring St. Museum.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU Shreveport to establish the Louisiana State University Shreveport Alumni Association First Generation Endowed Scholarship.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gifts and otherwise complete the establishment of the Louisiana State University Shreveport Alumni Association First Generation Endowed Scholarship.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU Health Sciences Center - Shreveport to establish the Max M. Morelock Professorship in Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU Health Sciences Center - Shreveport to establish the David N. Cole Endowed Professorship for Community Health Initiatives in the School of Allied Health Professions.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gifts and otherwise complete the establishment of the David N. Cole Endowed Professorship for Community Health Initiatives in the School of Allied Health Professions.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU Health Sciences Center - Shreveport to establish the Tommy Brown M.D. Memorial Scholarship for Medical Students.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gifts and otherwise complete the establishment of the Tommy Brown M.D. Memorial Scholarship for Medical Students.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU Health Sciences Center - Shreveport to establish the Sandra and Jerry Martin Endowed Scholarship for Medical Students-2.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gifts and otherwise complete the establishment of the Sandra and Jerry Martin Endowed Scholarship for Medical Students-2.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU Health Sciences Center - Shreveport to establish the Lester Wayne Johnson Family Scholarship for Medical Students.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gifts and otherwise complete the establishment of the Lester Wayne Johnson Family Scholarship for Medical Students.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU Health Sciences Center – New Orleans to establish the Isfana Ali, MD & Juzar Ali, MD Endowed Professorship.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gifts and otherwise complete the establishment of the Isfana Ali, MD & Juzar Ali, MD Endowed Professorship.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU Health Sciences Center – New Orleans to establish the Henry A. Gremillion, DDS Chair in Oral and Maxillofacial Pain; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gift and otherwise complete the establishment of the Henry A. Gremillion, DDS Chair in Oral and Maxillofacial Pain.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU to establish the Ava and Cordell Haymon Chair in Music Therapy; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gift and otherwise complete the establishment of the Ava and Cordell Haymon Chair in Music Therapy.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from the LSU Agricultural Center to establish the American Sugar Cane League Chair in Sugarcane Production; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gift and otherwise complete the establishment of the American Sugar Cane League Chair in Sugarcane Production.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request to establish each of the following 11 endowed superior graduate student scholarships and augment the following one endowed superior graduate student scholarship at LSU; and

- a. Robert R. and Melissa B. Rabalais Energy Law Endowment Fund (augmented)
- b. Class of 1978 Scholarship
- c. Jeff and Ashley Raborn Scholarship
- d. William and Karen Guenther Brack Superior Graduate Scholarship
- e. Carrigan Graduate Student Scholarship in History
- f. Jake L. Netterville Superior Graduate Scholarship in Accounting
- g. Bev and Ray Mentzer Endowed Superior Graduate Student Scholarship
- h. Janice Silver Endowed Opera Scholarship
- i. Edwards Superior Graduate Scholarship in French Studies #2
- j. Richard P. Sivicek Graduate Scholarship
- k. Pendley-Baudin Family Scholarship
- 1. Debra and James Anderson Superior Graduate Scholarship in Geology and Geophysics

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gift and otherwise complete the establishment of each of the following 11 endowed superior graduate student scholarships and augment the following one endowed superior graduate student scholarship at LSU:

- a. Robert R. and Melissa B. Rabalais Energy Law Endowment Fund (augmented)
- b. Class of 1978 Scholarship
- c. Jeff and Ashley Raborn Scholarship
- d. William and Karen Guenther Brack Superior Graduate Scholarship
- e. Carrigan Graduate Student Scholarship in History
- f. Jake L. Netterville Superior Graduate Scholarship in Accounting
- g. Bev and Ray Mentzer Endowed Superior Graduate Student Scholarship
- h. Janice Silver Endowed Opera Scholarship
- i. Edwards Superior Graduate Scholarship in French Studies #2
- j. Richard P. Sivicek Graduate Scholarship
- k. Pendley-Baudin Family Scholarship
- 1. Debra and James Anderson Superior Graduate Scholarship in Geology and Geophysics

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve both requests to establish two, annual City Year scholarships and a one-time tuition waiver.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the LSU Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request from LSU A&M to name Room 109 of Middleton Library the "Munn Family Active Learning Classroom".

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from LSU A&M to establish two endowed professorships: Professional Ethics Professorship #5 and Professional Ethics Professorship #6.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gifts and otherwise complete the establishment of two endowed professorships: Professional Ethics Professorship #5 and Professional Ethics Professorship #6.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from the LSU Agricultural Center to establish the Benjamin L. Legendre, Sr. Sugar Heritage ASSCT Professorship.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gifts and otherwise complete the establishment of the Benjamin L. Legendre, Sr. Sugar Heritage ASSCT Professorship.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from the LSU Agricultural Center to establish the Andrew Price Gay, Jr. and John Fleming Gay Professorship in Sugarcane Variety Development.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President, as may be appropriate, is hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents required to obtain the matching gifts and otherwise complete the establishment of the Andrew Price Gay, Jr. and John Fleming Gay Professorship in Sugarcane Variety Development.

- 5.B. <u>Legal Affairs Committee</u>
- 5.B.1. Request to Amend the Duties of the Secretary of the Board to Include Serving as Agent for Service of Process

Upon motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Jones, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the duties of the Secretary of the Board shall include the duty of being the agent for service of process in accordance with R.S. 17:3219.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Secretary of the Board shall transmit a certified copy to the Secretary of State in accordance with the law.

- 5.C. <u>Finance Committee</u>
- 5.C.1. Supplier Diversity Program Update

Don Lawhorn, Supplier Diversity Manager, gave a presentation and provided an update on the program.

# 5.D. Property & Facilities Committee

5.D.1. KMPG Engagement Update

Dan Firberg gave a presentation and update.

5.D.2. Authorization of the President to Execute Documents Related to Acquisition of OnCampus Housing at LSU-Shreveport

Upon motion by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Yarborough, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College (the "Board") authorizes Thomas C. Galligan, Jr.,, in his capacity as Interim President of LSU, to authorize, approve, and consent to the transfer of the LSUShreveport student housing complex known as University Court Apartments (the "Facilities") from Campus Living Villages to LSU Real Estate and Facilities Foundation ("REFF") or a special purpose entity created by it, and to include in such authorizations, approvals, and consents such terms and conditions as he deems to be in the best interests of LSU; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board authorizes Thomas C. Galligan, Jr.,, in his capacity as Interim President of LSU, to execute and deliver a new ground lease, facilities lease, operating agreements, and other related agreements with REFF as necessary or appropriate for the operation and maintenance of the Facilities, with the understanding that such agreements will result in LSU-Shreveport becoming liable to make lease payments which will be used for the outstanding debt service payments on the existing loans related to the Facilities, and a new loan to be obtained by REFF for necessary capital repairs and improvements, and to include in such leases, loans, and other agreements such terms and conditions as he deems to be in the best interests of LSU; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board authorizes counsel to the Board to make application to the Louisiana State Bond Commission on behalf of the Board for the approval of the facilities lease;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board, pursuant to the Uniform Affiliation Agreement between it and REFF, finds an acceptable University purpose for REFF to: (1) acquire the Facilities, (2) to enter into a new or amended ground lease, facilities lease, operating agreements, and any related or ancillary contracts and agreements reasonably necessary, and (3) to borrow additional sums to provide for renovations to the Facilities and legal, due diligence, and other costs associated with the acquisition; provided that the total amount borrowed by REFF to accomplish the transactions described herein shall not exceed \$5.5 million; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any reference herein to REFF shall include any special purpose entity formed and controlled by REFF for the purpose of furthering this transaction.

5.D.3. Request by Pennington Biomedical Research Center to Approve a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement and Related Documents Related to the Bariatric Metabolic Initiative

Upon motion by Mr. Starns, seconded by Mr. Mallett, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, The Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College ("Board") authorizes the President, or his designee, to execute agreements related to the renovations and operations of the Bariatric Metabolic Initiative.

Mr. Yarborough recused himself from Item 3.

- 5.E. <u>Athletics Committee</u>
- 5.E.1. Request to Amend the LSU Athletics Ticket, Parking and Tradition Fund Policy

Upon motion by Mr. Starns, seconded by Mr. Dampf, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College approves the proposed revisions to Schedule B of the Athletics Ticket, Parking, and Tradition Fund Policy as presented and made publicly available on March 6, 2020.

5.E.2. Request from LSU A&M to Approve Employment Contract for Sian Hudson, Head Coach Women's Soccer

Upon motion by Mr. Dampf, seconded by Mr. Armentor, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College authorizes Thomas Galligan, Jr., Interim President, or his designee, to sign the contract with Sian Hudson 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.

5.E.3. Request from LSU Athletics to Approve the Term Sheet for LSU Football Head Coach Edward J. Orgeron, Jr.

Upon motion by Mr. Starns, seconded by Mr. Dampf, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Supervisors for Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College approve the term sheet for Edward J. Orgeron, Jr., Head Coach of LSU Football, and authorize the President to continue negotiations toward a final contract to be approved by the Board of Supervisors.

5.E.4. Request from LSU Athletics to Approve the Term Sheet for LSU Football Coordinator Mark "Bo" Pelini

Upon motion by Mr. Starns, seconded by Mr. Dampf, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Supervisors for Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College approve the term sheet for Mark "Bo" Pelini, and authorize

the President to continue negotiations toward a final contract to be approved by the Board of Supervisors.

- 5.F. <u>Affiliated Organization Oversight Committee</u>
- 5.F.1. Request to Approve the Amended Uniform Affiliation Agreement Form

Upon motion by Mr. Dampf, seconded by Mr. Brown, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College approves the proposed revisions to the Uniform Affiliation Agreement.

5.F.2. Request from the LSU Research Foundation to Approve Appointments to the Board of Directors and Officers

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Mr. Yarborough, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Supervisors for Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College accepts and approves the names nominated on February 20, 2020, for positions on the LSU Research Foundation's board of directors.

- 5.G. <u>Healthcare & Medical Education Committee</u>
- 5.G.1. Request to Approve Response to the Board of Regents Regarding a Study to Establish a School of Dentistry and Authorize Action for Provision of Dental Services

Upon motion by Mr. Blossman, seconded by Mr. Yarborough, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Supervisors for Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College approve the response to the Board of Regents as presented by the Interim President and request he transmit the response;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the LSU Board authorizes the President to commission a working group to expeditiously assess and develop the most efficient and effective delivery method for providing dental services for the underserved in Northwest Louisiana, or any part of the state, and an associated implementation plan and timeline.

#### 5.H. <u>Audit Committee</u>

The Audit Committee Meeting was called to order at 9:15 AM in the Board Conference Room at the University Administration Building.

Present: Mr. Lee Mallett, Committee Chair Mr. Ronnie Anderson Mr. Glenn Armentor Mr. Jay Blossman Mr. Robert Dampf Mr. James Moore Mr. Rémy V. Starns Mr. James Williams.

Also in attendance was Board Chair Ms. Mary Werner, Mr. Wayne Brown, Interim President Thomas Galligan, Interim General Counsel Winston DeCuir, Jr., Chief Internal Auditor Chad Brackin, and Stephanie Rhodes.

# 5.H.1. FY 2020 2nd Quarter Audit Summary

Mr. Brackin reviewed the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Audit Summary as submitted to the committee. Within the discussion, Ms. Rhodes reported extensively on the laboratory safety audit to include points such as lack of inventory of laboratories, <u>risk of</u> injuries stemming from poor safety protocol compliance, and access to dangerous materials (master key access held by multiple people).

There was also discussion about tardiness in management responses to Internal Audit preliminary reports in which management was asked to respond. The President committed to Mr. Mallett that he will ensure timely compliance once informed by the Chief Auditor.

Mr. Anderson moved adoption of the summary, Mr. Dampf seconded the motion, and the report was unanimously adopted.

# VI. <u>Reconvene Regular Board Meeting</u>

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

#### Present

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

<u>Absent</u> Mr. Blake Chatelain Mr. J. Stephen Perry Mr. James Williams, Past Chair

#### VII. <u>Approval of Meeting Minutes</u>

Upon the motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Mr. Dampf, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting held on January 10, 2020.

VIII. Personnel Actions Requiring Board Approval

Madam Chair requested approval of the Personnel Actions. Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Personnel Actions.

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

The Staff Senate report was given by Ashley Gautreau. The Faulty senate report was given by Dr. John Vanchiere.

# X. <u>President's Report</u>

Mr. Galligan provided a recap of his first two months of his presidency, and reported on the following:

A mass comm student has been selected as a finalist for the Truman Scholarship.

LSU Vet School researchers are performing research on COVID-19 in hopes of creating a vaccine.

LSU Online has added more degree programs.

The Academic Learning Center received national acclamation of excellence.

The LSU-S Debate Team placed first among Louisiana universities at the Southern Forensics Championship Tournament, held at Mississippi State University.

A team of LSU researchers have reached the semifinals for the \$5 million IBM Watson AI Xprize. Their work focuses on pinpointing compounds that should be effective against specific bacteria.

LSU Petroleum Engineering Professor Dandina Rao was announced as editor-in-chief of "Petroleum Science and Technology," an international journal that publishes original, high-quality, peer-reviewed research and review articles that explore various aspects of the petroleum industry.

The LSU Engineering Department received a \$3.4 million National Science Foundation for Service Grant to fund 21 cybersecurity scholarships over a 5-year period.

Under Provost Haynie's dynamic leadership, we established the School of Collaborative Academic Programs, which is a multi-college, interdisciplinary and cutting-edge program bridging faculty expertise across disciplines to offer cross-disciplinary curriculums to undergraduate and graduate students.

LSU has obtained an institutional membership to the National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity. This will increase access professional development resources to faculty and graduate students.

The following have been added as members of the LSU community: Clay Jones, Chief Human Resources Officer; Dr. Cay Evans, LSUS Department of Education Chair; Rob Stuart, President and CEO of the LSU Foundation.

LSU's primary legislative concern in years past was simply obtaining enough funding to meet our operating costs and ensuring the normal functions of our eight institutions.

#### XI. <u>Reports to the Board</u>

There were sixteen reports provided to the Board for approval. Upon motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Blossman, the reports were unanimously approved.

# XII. <u>Committee Reports</u>

A motion was by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Mallett, to approve the recommended resolution by the Committees. The Board voted unanimously to approve all Committee recommendations.

# XIII. Chair's Report

Chair Werner thanked all parties involved in updating and finalizing the uniform affiliation agreement.

Chair Werner thanks President Galligan and staff for their efforts in building a better relationship with the Board of Regents to alter the climate of higher education in the state.

The Chair commended the governmental relations team for their work in preparing for the upcoming legislative session.

The Chair announced the next meeting will be on April 23, 2020 in Baton Rouge.

#### XIV. Adjournment

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