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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

JULY 10-11, 2003

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Ogden called to order the Regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College on July 10-11, 2003 at 10:45 a.m., in the System Building.

The secretary called the roll.

PRESENT

Mr. Roger H. Ogden Chairman Mr. Kent Anderson Dr. Jack A. Andonie Mr. Bernard E. Boudreaux Mr. Charles V. Cusimano Mr. Brian Hightower Mr. C. Stewart Slack Vice-Chairman Mr. Louis Lambert Mrs. Laura A. Leach Mr. William W. Rucks, IV Mr. Perry Segura Mr. Charles S. Weems, III Mr. Roderick K. West

ABSENT

Mr. Marty C. Chabert Mrs. Virginia K. Shehee Mr. Ronald R. Anderson

Also present for the meeting were the following: President William L. Jenkins; System Officers and administrators from the respective campuses; faculty representatives; Mrs. Nancy Dougherty, Mr. Clay Johnson, and Mr. Raymond Lamonica, University Attorneys, interested citizens and representatives of the news media.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Kelly Mayo gave the invocation. Mr. Christopher Frye gave the Pledge of Allegiance. Both students attend LSU-Shreveport campus.

Chairman Ogden recognized Dr. Vincent Marsala, Chancellor, LSU-Shreveport. He introduced:

Ms. Kelly Mayo is a Public Relations major, and student editor for the LSUS News 2003-2004. She is also on the Chancellor's list.

Mr. Christopher Frye is a sophomore Political Science major and member of the Phi Eta Sigma Freshman Honor Society. Chris played on the 2003 Pilot's NAIA World Series baseball team. He plans to attend law school following his undergraduate studies.

3. <u>Oath of Office for new Board member</u>

Mr. Weems administered the Oath of Office for Mr. Louis Lambert. Mr. Lambert is an attorney and former State Senator. He represents the Sixth Congressional District and his term ends June 1, 2008.

4. Introduction of Faculty and Staff Representatives and Other Guests

The faculty and staff representatives from the respective campuses were acknowledged.

5. <u>Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held June 5-6, 2003</u>

Upon motion of Mr. West, seconded by Dr. Andonie, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 5-6, 2003.

6. Ratification of Interim Personnel Actions approved by the President

Mr. William Silvia, Executive Vice-President, LSU System, presented this report.

Upon motion of Mr. Hightower, seconded by Mr. Rucks, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Interim Personnel Actions, as presented by the President.

- 7. <u>President's Report</u>
 - President Jenkins presented the Objectives for the LSU System, and requested ratification of this document. Upon motion of Mrs. Leach seconded by Mr. West, the Board voted unanimously to ratify the Objectives for the LSU System;
 (Copy of Objectives on file in the Office of the LSU Board of Supervisors)
 - (b) Dr. Jenkins congratulated Mr. Ogden on the recent article in *Southern Accents* regarding his collection of Southern Art;
 - (c) President Jenkins reported that he has asked Dr. Carolyn Hargrave, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs, to serve as permanent Vice President for Academic Affairs. He requested ratification of the appointment of Dr. Carolyn Hargrave, Vice-President for Academic Affairs. Upon motion of Mr. Cusimano, seconded by Mr. Boudreaux, the Board ratified the appointment of Dr. Carolyn Hargrave, Vice-President for Academic Affairs; and
 - (d) President Jenkins recognized Mr. Cusimano, who reported on additional funding for the School of Veterinary Medicine.

8. <u>Status Report from the LSU Health Sciences Center in New Orleans</u>

Dr. John Rock, Chancellor, LSU Health Sciences Center, presented this report. No official Board action is necessary.

9. Report on Activities of the Board of Regents

Mr. William Silvia, Executive Vice President, LSU System, Dr. Carolyn Hargrave, Vice-President for Academic Affairs, and Mr. Jim Howell, University Architect/Director, Property and Facilities Administration, presented these informational reports.

10. Consent Agenda Items

Chairman Anderson offered the following recommendation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the Consent Agenda items as submitted:

Upon motion of Mrs. Leach, seconded by Mr. Cusimano, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following Consent Agenda Item:

Academic Affairs Committee

Item 1

10A. <u>Resolution for approval of degrees to be conferred on candidates meeting degree</u> requirements for graduation at commencement exercises on campuses of the LSU System (August 7, 9, and 16, 2003)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the degrees to be conferred on candidates meeting degree requirements for graduation at commencement exercises on campuses of the LSU System (August 7, 9, and 16, 2003).

- 11. <u>Committee Reports</u>
- 11A. <u>Health Education Services Committee</u>

Dr. Andonie, chairman of the Health Education and Services Committee, reported that the Committee received an update report on the financing of the LSU hospitals.

11A1. Update on financing of the LSU hospitals for FY 04

Mr. Robert Plaisance, Assistant Vice-President, Medical Fiscal Policy, presented this report. No official Board action is required.

11B. Budget and Finance Committee

Mr. Roderick West, chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee, reported that it is the committee's recommendation that the following receive Board approval.

11B1. Report on Definity Healthcare Insurance Program

Mr. Forest Benedict, Vice-President, Human Resource Management, presented this report. No official Board action is required.

11B2. Recommendation to approve the LSU System Audit Plan for Fiscal Year 2003-2004

Upon motion of Mr. West, seconded by Mr. Slack, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following recommendation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the annual audit plan for the LSU System for the 2003-2004 fiscal year.

11B3. <u>Recommendation to confirm the authority of LSU System campuses to Implement the Academic Excellence Fee authorized by the Louisiana Legislature during the Regular Session of 2003</u>

Upon motion of Mr. West, seconded by Mr. Slack, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following recommendation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve an increase in the academic excellence fee at LSU of \$10 per credit hour per academic session not to exceed \$120 per academic session commencing with the 2003 fall semester, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby establish an academic excellence fee at Louisiana State University Shreveport, Louisiana State University Eunice, and the University of New Orleans of \$10 per credit hour per academic session not to exceed \$120 per academic session commencing with the 2003 fall semester, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby establish an academic excellence fee at Louisiana State University Alexandria commencing with the 2004 spring semester in the amount of \$5 per credit hour not to exceed \$60 per academic session, and commencing with the 2004 fall semester in the amount of \$10 per credit hour per academic session with the total fee not to exceed \$120 per academic session.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby establish an academic excellence fee at the LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans commencing with the spring 2004 semester in the amount of \$10 per credit hour per academic session not to exceed \$120 per academic session for Allied Health undergraduate and graduate students, Dental Hygiene and Dental Laboratory Technology students, Graduate Studies students, and Nursing undergraduate and graduate students.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby establish an academic excellence fee at the LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans commencing with the spring 2004 semester in the amount of \$300 per academic year for students attending on an annual basis the School of Dentistry, School of Medicine, and students registered in Advanced Dental Education, Master of Nursing, and Nurse Anesthesia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby establish an academic excellence fee at the LSU Health Sciences Center Shreveport commencing with the spring 2004 semester in the amount of \$10 per credit hour per academic session not to exceed \$120 per academic session for Allied Health undergraduate and graduate students.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does authorize each campus to establish criteria for waiving the fee for students with financial hardship. The criteria shall be submitted to and approved by the President and made available to all students in a timely manner such that each student is informed of the availability of a waiver prior to the student making a final decision concerning attendance at the campus.

11B4. <u>Recommendation to increase the International Student Fee at the University of New</u> Orleans from \$40 a semester to \$75 a semester

Upon motion of Mr. West, seconded by Mr. Slack, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following recommendation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College increase the international student fee at the University of New Orleans from \$40 to \$75 per semester. This fee shall be applicable to students on non-immigrant visas, and shall be effective with the Fall 2003 semester.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this increase also apply to students on non-immigrant visas who enroll for the summer term at the University of New Orleans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University shall reserve the right to develop criteria to exempt certain classes of such students from this fee where appropriate.

11B5. Recommendation to increase the Undergraduate Application Fee at LSU from \$25 to \$40

Upon motion of Mr. West, seconded by Mr. Slack, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following recommendation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby increase the application fee for Undergraduate Admission at LSU to \$40, beginning with applications for Fall 2004 admission.

11C. Property and Facilities Committee

Mr. Rucks, chairman of the Property and Facilities Committee, reported that in addition to the items for consideration, the committee added to the agenda, recommendations regarding the approval to assignments of the LSU Chapter of the Delta Chi Fraternity House Corporation and the Alpha Gamma of Pi Kappa Alpha Alumni Association. (11C5 and 11C6).

It is the committee's recommendation that these items receive Board approval.

11C1. <u>Recommendation to award an oil, gas, and mineral lease on undivided interest in</u> Louisiana State University, Ag Center property, in Caddo Parish, Pecan Station

Upon motion of Mr. Rucks, seconded by Mr. West, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following recommendation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College that by virtue of and in conformity with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and particularly Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Title 30, Section 151 to 158 inclusive, as amended, Board of Supervisors did invite by publication and did receive and open sealed bids for the oil, gas and mineral lease of the following land owned by Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College located in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, to-wit:

All that portion of a 99.956 acre tract, located in Section 25, T16N/R13W and Section 30, T16N/R12W, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, being described as Lot 3 (Martin Survey) of Robson Plantation, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point 260.00 feet south and 230.00 feet west of the northwest corner of Section 30, T16N/R12W; thence run north 42 degrees 37 minutes east 2,986.00 feet to Harts Island Road; thence run along said road north 44 degrees, 55 minutes west 1,381.00 feet to the intersection with the Robson-Forbing Road; thence run south along the said Robson-Forbing Road 30 degrees 25 minutes west 523.00 feet; thence run south 51 degrees 40 minutes west 832.50 feet; thence run south 48 degrees 15 minutes west 1088.40 feet; thence run south 24 degrees 40 minutes west 572.00 feet; thence run south 35 degrees 20 minutes east 467.00 feet along Bayou Pierre; thence run south 01 degree 30 minutes east along said Bayou Pierre 530.00 feet; thence run south 85 degrees 02 minutes east along drainage canal 641.00 feet to the point of beginning: LESS AND EXCEPT therefrom that portion lying within the geographic boundaries of State of Louisiana, Office of Conservation, Units CV RA SU 92 and CV RA SU 93, created by Order #361-B-5, dated May 26, 1977, estimated to contain 4.348 acres.

The interest owned by Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College, Ag Center, in the above described tract is an undivided 100% interest.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said bids having been received by the Board of Supervisors at its office in the Louisiana State University System Building, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 9th day of July, 2003, by 4:00 P.M., and having been publicly opened at the meeting of the Board of Supervisors, Properties and Facilities Committee, on the 10th day of July, 2003, at 4:00 P.M., at the same address, said meeting having been duly and legally held, in accordance with the advertisement, and the bid of Camterra Resources Partners, Ltd. being the most advantageous and to the best interest of the Board of Supervisors meeting held on the 10th day of July, 2003, continuing until the 11th day of July, 2003. (Copy of bid on file in the Office of the LSU Board of Supervisors)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William L. Jenkins, President, or his designee, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered for and in the name of the Board of Supervisors, to execute a lease to said Camterra Resourced Partners, Ltd. covering and affecting the above described land for the price and consideration and upon the terms and conditions set out in the above described accepted bid and in the advertisement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said act of lease shall contain such additional provisions and stipulations as the said William J. Jenkins, President, or his designee, may deem wise and in the best interest of the Board of Supervisors.

11C2. <u>Recommendation to award an oil, gas, and mineral lease on an undivided interest in</u> <u>Terrebonne Parish on property that was donated to Louisiana State University, Health</u> <u>Sciences Center – New Orleans</u>

Upon motion of Mr. Rucks, seconded by Mr. West, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following recommendation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College, that by virtue of and in conformity with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and particularly Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Title 30, Section 151 to 158 inclusive, as amended, the Board of Supervisors did invite by publication and did receive and open sealed bids for the oil and gas and mineral lease of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College an undivided 1.00% interest in the following land located in Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, to-wit:

Located in Section's 48, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56 & 113, T16S-R15E Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana

<u>Tract 1</u>

Beginning at a point having approximate Lambert Plane Coordinates of X=2,133,268.00 and Y=367,468.00, said point being located on the East line of Section 113, T16S-R15E, thence;

Westerly, 5165 feet more or less, thence; Northerly, 6825 feet more or less, thence; Easterly, 980 feet more or less, thence; Northeasterly, 890 feet more or less, thence; Southerly, 385 feet more or less, thence; Northeasterly, 100 feet more or less, thence; Southerly, 7370 feet more or less, thence; Easterly, 470 feet more or less, thence; Northerly, 6090 feet more or less, thence; Northeasterly, 500 feet more or less, thence; Northerly, 1790 feet more or less, thence; Northerly, 500 feet more or less, thence; Northerly, 1790 feet more or less, thence; Northeasterly, 470 feet more or less, thence; Southerly, 1750 feet more or less, thence; Northeasterly, 1025 feet more or less, thence; Northerly, 145 feet more or less, thence; Northeasterly, 525 feet more or less, thence; Southerly, 6280 feet more or less, thence; Easterly, 475 feet more or less, thence; Northerly, 2120 feet more or less, to the Point of Beginning.

The above described tract containing 846.27 Acres more or less and being more particularly delineated on a plat prepared by M.J. Broussard, Inc. dated May 05, 2003.

Tract 2

Beginning at a point having approximate Lambert Plane Coordinates of X=2,127,075.00 and Y=374,036.00, said point being located on the West line of Section 51, T16S-R15E, thence;

Northeasterly, 505 feet more or less, thence; Southerly, 6710 feet more or less, thence; Westerly, 470 feet more or less, thence; Northerly, 6590 feet more or less, to the Point of Beginning.

The above described tract containing 76.00 Acres more or less and being more particularly delineated on a plat prepared by M.J. Broussard, Inc. dated May 05, 2003.

Tract 3

Beginning at a point having approximate Lambert Plane Coordinates of X=2,125,322.00 and Y=366,768.00, said point being the Southeast Corner of Section 48, T16S-R15E, thence;

Westerly, 430 feet more or less, thence; Northerly, 4025 feet more or less, thence; Easterly, 430 feet more or less, thence; Southerly, 4025 feet more or less, to the Point of Beginning.

The above described tract containing 38.00 Acres more or less and being more particularly delineated on a plat prepared by M.J. Broussard, Inc. dated May 05, 2003.

All bearings and coordinates shown herein are based on the Lambert Plane Coordinate System for Louisiana (South Zone) and were scaled from the USC&GS Quadrangle "GIBSON" 1964 Edition, Photo revised 1980.

The interest owned by Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College, in the above described tract is an undivided 1.00% interest or 9.6027 net mineral acres.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said bids having been received by the Board of Supervisors at its office in the Louisiana State University System Building, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the 9th day of July, 2003, by 4:00 P.M., and having been publicly opened at the meeting of the Board of Supervisors, Properties and Facilities Committee, on the 10th day of July, 2003, at 4:00 P.M., at the same address, said meeting having been duly and legally held, in accordance with the advertisement, and the bid of Kerr-McGee Rocky Mountain Corporation being the most advantageous and to the best interest of the Board of Supervisors, the said bid, is hereby accepted by the Board of Supervisors at the Board of Supervisors meeting held on the 10th day of July, 2003, continuing until the 11th day of July, 2003. (Copy of bid on file in the Office of the LSU Board of Supervisors)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William L. Jenkins, President, or his designee, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered for and in the name of the Board of Supervisors, to execute a lease to said Kerr-McGee Rocky Mountain Corporation covering and affecting the above described land for the price and consideration and upon the terms and conditions set out in the above described accepted bid and in the advertisement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said act of lease shall contain such additional provisions and stipulations as the said William J. Jenkins, President, or his designee, may deem wise and in the best interest of the Board of Supervisors.

11C3. <u>Recommendation to consent to and approve the partial assignment of an undivided</u> <u>interest in oil, gas and mineral lease in Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, by St. Mary Energy</u> <u>Company to RLI Properties, LLC, Crain Energy, Ltd., Browning Oil Company, Inc.,</u> <u>Bedford Sabine, LC, and Triumph Energy, Inc.</u>

Upon motion of Mr. Rucks, seconded by Mr. West, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following recommendation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College that William L. Jenkins, President of the Louisiana State University System, or his designee, be and he is hereby authorized by and empowered for and on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors, to consent to and approve the Assignment of Oil, Gas and Other Hydrocarbon Lease by St. Mary Energy Company to: RLI Properties, LLC of a 12.50% undivided interest; Crain Energy, Ltd. of a 12.50% undivided interest; Browning Oil Company, Inc., of a 10.00% undivided interest; n and to the following oil, gas and mineral lease:

 Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease dated effective July 12, 2002, covering Louisiana State University's interest in 25 acres, more or less, situated in Section 41, Township 13 South, Range 4 East, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, and being recorded under Entry No. 20212450 of the Conveyance Records of Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said William L. Jenkins, President, or his designee, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to sign and execute an Act of Consent for and on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors, which said Act may contain any and all provisions and stipulations as the said William L. Jenkins, or his designee, may deem wise and in the best interest of the Board of Supervisors, but which Act shall provide that the assignors are not relieved of their obligations or liabilities under the above described lease and that any notice required or allowed by the Board of Supervisors to assignors of said leases shall be considered notice to said assignors when such notice has been properly made to RLI Properties, LLC, Crain Energy, Ltd., Browning Oil Company, Inc., Bedford Sabine, LC, and Triumph Energy, Inc., or their assignees.

11C4. <u>Recommendation to authorize the use of a certain tract of LSU land by the LSU System</u> <u>Research and Technology Foundation (Foundation), for the construction and operation of</u> <u>the Louisiana Emerging Technologies Center (Center)</u>

Upon motion of Mr. Rucks, seconded by Mr. West, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following recommendation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby authorize William L. Jenkins, President of the Louisiana State University System, or his designee, to enter into and execute an agreement for the use of a tract of land on the corner of Lakeshore Drive and East Parker, which is situated on the LSU Campus in Baton Rouge, with the LSU System Research and Technology Foundation for the purpose of construction of the Louisiana Emerging Technologies Center, site development, and parking and utilities for such period of time as necessary to complete the construction of all improvements. Upon completion of construction, LSU shall lease the land, with improvements, to the Foundation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said William L. Jenkins, President, or his designee, is duly authorized by and empowered for and on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College to approve the plans and specifications for the proposed capital improvements to the tract of land.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said William L. Jenkins, President, or his designee, is duly authorized by and empowered for and on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College to include in said agreement such terms and conditions that he may deem wise and in the best interest of the Board of Supervisors.

11C5. Recommendation to consent to and approve the assignment of the LSU Chapter of the Delta Chi Fraternity House Corporation and Alumni Board of Trustees' right, title, and interest in and to the land located at 15 Fraternity Lane (formerly the SAE Fraternity House) to Alpha Gamma of Pi Kappa Alpha Alumni Association (Added to Agenda)

Upon motion of Mr. Rucks, seconded by Mr. West, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following recommendation

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College that William L. Jenkins, President of the Louisiana State University System, or his designee, be and he is hereby authorized by and empowered for and on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors to execute a consent to assignment of the LSU Chapter of the Delta Chi Fraternity House Corporation and Alumni Board of Trustees' right, title, and interest in and to the land located at 15 Fraternity Lane to Alpha Gamma of Pi Kappa Alpha Alumni Association.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William L. Jenkins, President, or his designee, be and he is hereby authorized to include in the consent to assignment such terms and conditions as he deems to be in the best interest of the Board of Supervisors.

11C6. <u>Recommendation to consent to and approve the assignment of the Alpha Gamma of</u> <u>Pi Kappa Alpha Alumni Association's right, title, and interest in and to the land located at</u> <u>12 East Fraternity Circle to Sigma Alpha House Corporation at LSU</u> (Added to Agenda)

Upon motion of Mr. Rucks, seconded by Mr. West, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following recommendation

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College that William L. Jenkins, President of the Louisiana State University System, or his designee, be and he is hereby authorized by and empowered for and on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors to execute on behalf of the Board of Supervisors a consent to assignment of the Alpha Gamma of Pi Kappa Alpha Alumni Association's right, title, and interest in and to the land located at 12 East Fraternity Circle to Sigma Alpha House Corporation at LSU.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William L. Jenkins, President, or his designee, be and he is hereby authorized to include in the consent to assignment such terms and conditions as he deems to be in the best interest of the Board of Supervisors.

11D. <u>Athletic Committee</u>

Mr. Roderick West, vice-chairman, Athletic Committee, reported that the committee recommends Board approval of the following:

11D1. <u>Recommendation to approve the Contract of Employment for Mr. James W. Miller,</u> <u>Director of Athletics, University of New Orleans</u>

Upon motion of Mr. West, seconded by Rucks, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following recommendation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the attached Contract of Employment for Mr. James W. Miller, Director of Athletics, University of New Orleans.

11E. <u>Academic Affairs Committee</u>

Mrs. Leach, chairman of the Academic Affairs Committee, reported that it is the committee's recommendation that the following receive Board approval:

11E1. Recommendation to make permanent the one-year pilot program which waives the out of state tuition for up to 20 students living in Texas counties near Northwestern Louisiana who enroll in and attend fire science courses either on campus or electronically at Louisiana State University at Eunice

Upon motion of Mrs. Leach, seconded by Mr. Cusimano, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following recommendation:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve the request of LSUE to make permanent the one-year pilot program which waives the out of state tuition for up to 20 students living in Texas counties near Northwestern Louisiana who enroll in and attend fire science courses either on campus or electronically.

11E2. Recommendation to reestablish the Bachelor of Arts degree in Art History at LSU

Upon motion of Mrs. Leach, seconded by Mr. Cusimano, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following recommendation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby approve re-establishing the Bachelor of Arts degree in Art History at LSU, subject to approval by the Board of Regents.

11E3. <u>Status report on transition of Louisiana State University at Alexandria to a four-year</u> <u>university, presented by Dr. Robert Cavanaugh</u>

Dr. Robert Cavanaugh, Chancellor, LSU at Alexandria, presented this report. Also, in conjunction with this issue, Dr. Carolyn Hargrave, Vice-President for Academic Affairs, presented a report on the Learning Center of Rapides Parish.

Discussion was held regarding the effect that the Learning Center will have on LSU at Alexandria. The committee adopted and recommends Board approval of the following motions:

- (1) Authorize Dr. William L. Jenkins, LSU System President, to approve modification of fees and tuition for students enrolled in courses offered by a university campus for specific associate degree programs offered at learning centers or their equivalent.
- (2) Authorize Dr. William L. Jenkins, LSU System President, Dr. Carolyn Hargrave, Vice-President for Academic Affairs, and Mr. William W. Rucks, IV, representative of the LSU Board of Supervisors to the Board of Regents, to initiate a meeting with the Board of Regents to discuss the concept of assigning the management of the Learning Center of Rapides Parish to Louisiana State University at Alexandria. Using the management infrastructure of existing fouryear campuses to oversee the offering of associate level degrees in given geographical areas of the State is a long-term strategy which could be very cost effective and educationally sound.

Upon motion of Mrs. Leach, seconded by Mr. Cusimano, the Board voted unanimously to approve this report as presented.

11E4. Report on Board of Regents Support Fund Awards, FY 2002-2003

Dr. Carolyn Hargrave, Vice-President for Academic Affairs, presented this report.

After considerable discussion, Board Chairman Ogden and Mr. Weems recommended that Dr. William L. Jenkins, LSU System President, Dr. Carolyn Hargrave, Vice President

Academic Affairs, and Mr. William W. Rucks, IV, representative of the LSU Board of Supervisors to the Board of Regents, meet with the Board of Regents to express concern about the Regents' policy on endowed professorships that awards the same number of professorships to each institution irrespective of the number of pending applications. Board members noted that the current policy is a disincentive for campuses to aggressively seek private funding for professorships. An alternative approach would be for the policy to provide for a percentage of the applications from each campus. Considering the overall funding problems of higher education in Louisiana, concern was also expressed about the extent of participation of private institutions in the Board of Regents Support Fund.

Upon motion of Mrs. Leach, seconded by Mr. Cusimano, the Board voted unanimously to approve this report as presented.

11F. Flagship Committee

Mr. Weems, chairman of the Flagship Committee, presented the following report.

11F1. <u>Emerging Technologies/Technology Transfer Initiatives to be presented by Chancellor</u> <u>Bill Richardson, LSU Agricultural Center</u>

Dr. William Richardson, Chancellor, LSU Agricultural Center, made this presentation. No official Board action is required.

12. Chairman's Report

Chairman Ogden stated that due to the complex nature of the budgetary issues to be addressed at the August meeting it will be necessary to begin the Committee meetings on Thursday, August 21, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. rather than at 4:00 p.m. Additionally, there will be a Special Board Meeting on Friday, August 22, 2003 immediately following adjournment of the Regular Board meeting. The purpose of the Special Board meeting will be to consider a recommendation to amend in the General Ticket Policy for tickets to Home Football Games at Louisiana State University.

Chairman Ogden also announced that immediately following adjournment of this meeting, the Audit Committee will meet in the President's Conference Room.

13. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Carleen N. Smith Administrative Secretary