

MINUTES  
LSU BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING  
*Board Room, University Administration Building  
3810 West Lakeshore Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808  
Friday, October 21, 2022 | Time: 2:00 p.m. CT*

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Ms. Valencia Sarpy Jones, Chair, called to order the Regular Meetings of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College on October 21, 2022.

Present

Ms. Valencia Sarpy Jones, Chair  
Mr. Jimmie Woods, Chair-elect  
Mr. Rémy Voisin Starns, Past Chair  
Mr. Glenn Armentor  
Ms. Laurie Lipsey Aronson  
Mr. Robert Dampf  
Mr. Lee Mallet  
Mr. Randy Morris  
Mr. Patrick C. Morrow  
Ms. Lizzie Shaw  
Mr. Collis Temple, Jr.  
Ms. Mary Leach Werner  
Mr. James Williams  
Mr. Richard Zuschlag

Absent

Mr. Jay Blossman  
Mr. Wayne Brown

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

II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation was offered by Zach Cryer (?), junior 4-H student at Benton High School in Bossier Parish. The Pledge of Allegiance was delivered by Morgan Meaux, senior 4-H student at Kaplan High School in Vermilion Parish.

III. Public Comment

There were no individuals registered for public comment.

IV. Committee Meetings

Ms. Jones adjourned the regular meeting to convene the committee meetings.

**4.A. Research and Agricultural Extension Committee**

Present for the Research and Agricultural Extension Committee were Ms. Werner, Mr. Armentor, Mr. Starns, Mr. Temple.

4.A.1. 4-H Experiences

Interim Vice President for Agriculture and Dean of College of Agriculture, Matthew Lee, presented Morgan Meaux and Zach Cryer, members of the 4-H executive board. No action needed on the item.

**4.B. Academic Committee**

Present for the Academic Committee were Mr. Armentor, Mr. Mallet, Mr. Morrow, Mr. Starns, Mr. Temple, Mr. Williams.

4.B.1. Request from LSU A&M to Award a Posthumous Degree to Ms. Allison Nicole Rice.

Upon motion by Mr. Starns, seconded by Mr. Morrow, 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 award a Posthumous Degree to Ms. Allison Nicole Rice.

4.B.2 Request from LSU A&M to Establish the Institute for Energy Innovation.

Upon motion by Mr. Mallet, seconded by Mr. Temple, 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 request from LSU A&M to establish the Institute for Energy Innovation.

4.B.3 Request from LSU A&M for Conditional Approval of the Center for Economics, Business & Policy Research

Upon motion by Mr. Mallet, seconded by Mr. Temple, 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 request from LSU A&M for conditional approval of the Center for Economics, Business & Policy Research.

4.B.4 Request from LSU A&M for Continued Authorization and Initial Designation as a Center of Research Excellence for the Social Research and Evaluation Center

Upon motion by Mr. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Mallet, 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 request from LSU A&M for continued authorization and initial designation as a Center of Research Excellence for the Social Research and Evaluation Center

4.B.5. Consent Agenda

There were six items on the consent agenda.

Upon motion by Mr. Mallet, seconded by Mr. Morrow, the following items were approved without objection.

Request from LSU Alexandria to Name the Betty Fay Wellan Lipsey & Joseph Lipsey, Jr. Gallery

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby approve request from LSU Alexandria to Name the Betty Fay Wellan Lipsey & Joseph Lipsey, Jr. Gallery.

Request from LSU A&M to Terminate the Graduate Certificate in Workforce Development

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

Request from LSU Health Sciences Center - New Orleans to Establish the Class of 1973 Superior Graduate Scholarship

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby approve request from LSU Health Sciences Center - New Orleans to Establish the Class of 1973 Superior Graduate Scholarship.

Request from LSU Health Sciences Center - New Orleans to Establish the Jesse and Kim E. Roberts, MD Scholarship

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby approve request from LSU

Health Sciences Center – New Orleans to establish the Jesse and Kim E. Roberts, MD Scholarship.

Request from LSU Health Sciences Center – New Orleans to Establish the Kelsey Bradley Favrot Family Chair in Pediatric Neuro-oncology

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby approve request from LSU Health Sciences Center – New Orleans to establish the Kelsey Bradley Favrot Family Chair in Pediatric Neuro-oncology.

Request from LSU Health Sciences Center – Shreveport to Name the Dean Andrew L. Chesson, Jr., MD Neurology Residents’ and Fellows’ Education Room

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby approve request from LSU Health Sciences Center – Shreveport to name the Dean Andrew L. Chesson, Jr., MD Neurology Residents’ and Fellows’ Education Room

#### 4.C. Finance Committee

Present for the Finance Committee were Mr. Morrow, Ms. Aronson, Mr. Starns, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Zuschlag.

##### 4.C.1. Recommendation to Approve the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Operating Budget

Upon motion Ms. Aronson, seconded by Mr. Williams, the following items were 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 operating budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, providing:

- a) Approval and commitment authorization of funds for Scholarship First Pentagon & STEM Initiatives in the amount of \$18.4 million for continued investment in the five focus areas of the Pentagon with concentration on startup funds, retention funds, student success funding, and new faculty hires.
- b) Approval and commitment authorization of funds for salary competitiveness in the amount of \$15.5 million for increase faculty and staff compensation in line with SREB peers and to enhance competitiveness.
- c) Approval and commitment authorization of funds for NCI designation in the amount of \$16 million for continued investment in system wide recruitment and technology upgrades to support the NCI designation.

- d) Approval and commitment authorization of funds to maintain and enhance research & statewide extension presence in the amount of \$15.7 million for continued investment in agricultural research, statewide extension, and increased funding to support precision and digital agriculture.
- e) Approval and commitment authorization of funds for graduate education and research in the amount of \$25 million for investment in PhD graduate research program to fund assistantships and research investments.
- f) Approval and commitment authorization of funds for mandate costs such as retirement, group health insurance, classified staff merit, other state charges.
- g) Approval and commitment authorization of funds for staffing solutions to combat the Great Resignation, system-wide shortages, and to ensure a living wage for all staff.
- h) Approval and commitment authorization of funds for facilities for deferred maintenance, safety and accessibility improvements.
- i) Approval and commitment authorization of funds for information technology for continued ERP upgrades with new Student Information System (SIS), development of Security Operations center (SOC), and continued implementation of technology to support research portfolio and online modality.
- j) Approval and commitment authorization of funds for Title IX for expansion of education and programming across the System.

#### **4.D. Property and Facilities Committee**

Present for the Property and Facilities were Ms. Aronson, Ms. Werner, Mr. Dampf, Mr. Mallet, Ms. Shaw, Mr. Woods, Mr. Zuschlag.

- 4.D.1. Recommendation from LSU A&M to Approve Schematic Design and Authorize the President to Execute a Lease with Tiger Athletic Foundation for Renovation and Expansion of the LSU Football Operations Building, Including Construction of New Recovery and Rehabilitation Suites.

Upon motion by Mr. Zuschlag, seconded by Mr. Mallet, 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 schematic design and authorize the President to execute a Lease with Tiger Athletic Foundation for Renovation and Expansion of the LSU Football Operations Building, including Construction of New Recovery and Rehabilitation Suites.

**4.E. Athletics Committee**

Present for the Athletics Committee were Mr. Temple, Mr. Zuschlag, Ms. Aronson, Mr. Dampf, Mr. Morrow, Ms. Werner, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Woods.

4.E.1. Request from LSU A&M to Approve the Employment Contract Extension for the Athletics Director.

Upon motion by Mr. Zuschlag, 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 & Mechanical College does hereby approve request from LSU A&M to approve the Employment Contract Extension for the Athletics Director.

V. Reconvene Board Meeting

On Friday, October 21, 2022, the regular meeting was called to order. Roll was conducted.

Present

Ms. Valencia Sarpy Jones, Chair  
Mr. Jimmie Woods, Chair-elect  
Mr. Rémy Voisin Starns, Past Chair  
Mr. Glenn Armentor  
Ms. Laurie Lipsey Aronson  
Mr. Robert Dampf  
Mr. Lee Mallet  
Mr. Randy Morris  
Mr. Patrick C. Morrow  
Ms. Lizzie Shaw  
Mr. Collis Temple, Jr.  
Ms. Mary Leach Werner  
Mr. James Williams  
Mr. Richard Zuschlag

Absent

Mr. Jay Blossman  
Mr. Wayne Brown

VI. Approval of Minutes from September 8-9, 2022 Meetings

Upon motion by Mr. Temple, seconded by Ms. Aronson, the minutes were approved without objection.

VII. Update from LSU-A Chancellor Paul Coreil

Chancellor Paul Coreil provided updates on infrastructure projects on LSU-A campus, a successful drainage project and increased enrollment numbers.

VIII. Reports to the Board

- A. Transfers of Title Immovable Property
- B. Approval of Requests for Timber Sales Report
- C. Capital Improvements Projects above \$175,000 Report
- D. Design Contracts Report
- E. Foundation Construction Related Agreements
- F. Grants of Mineral Rights
- G. Other Agreements and Approval Requests
- H. PM60 Projects \$75,000 to \$175,000 Report
- I. Property Lease Report
- J. Schematic Design Report
- K. Servitudes Report.

Upon motion by Mr. Morrow, seconded by Mr. Mallet, the reports were approved.

IX. Reports from Faculty and Staff Advisors

Dr. Kamboj provided an informative report on behalf of the Faculty Advisors

X. President's Report

The president provided an informative report.

XI. Approval of Committee Recommendations

Ms. Jones called for a motion to accept all committee recommendations. Motion to approve by Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Mallet. Without objection, the recommendations were approved.

XII. Chair's Report

Ms. Jones provided a report on her first month as chair.

XIII. Adjournment

Without a further business before the Board, a motion to adjourn by Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Morrow, was approved without objection.