

MINUTES
LSU BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
*Board Room University Administration Building
3810 West Lake Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808
Friday, February 10, 2023 | 9:00 a.m. CT*

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mrs. Valencia Sarpy Jones, Chair, called to order the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College on February 10, 2023.

Present

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

Absent

Ms. Mary Leach Werner

Also participating in the meeting were the following: Dr. William F. Tate IV, President of LSU; Mr. Winston DeCuir, Jr. 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 Byron Hansley, a junior studying Political Communications. The Pledge of Allegiance was delivered by Ms. Amber Salone, a junior studying Biological Sciences. ROTC presented the colors.

III. Public Comment

There were five individuals registered for public comment.

The following individuals made comments related to Item 2 on the Academic Committee Agenda, Request from LSU A&M to Name the Dale Brown/Sue Gunter Court: Jeffery Marx, Ben McDonald, Kenny Almond, Delia Taylor, and Trent Angers.

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 Mr. Morrow, Mr. Armentor, Mr. Brown, Mr. Morris, Mr. Starns, and Mr. Temple.

4.A.1. Presentation on the Virtual Production Studio

Greg Trahan, Director of Economic Development for the Office of Research and Economic Development, led the presentation regarding the research significance and potential economic impact of the Virtual Production Studio.

No action needed on the item.

4.B. Academic Committee

Present for the Academic Committee were Mr. Brown, Ms. Shaw, Mr. Armentor, Mr. Mallett, Mr. Morrow, Mr. Starns, Mr. Temple, and Mr. Williams.

4.B.1. Recommendation to Approve Conferral of Degrees for CY2023 Commencement Exercises

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Mr. Morrow, the item was approved unanimously.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby approve the conferral of degrees for the CY2023 Commencement Exercises from LSU A&M.

4.B.2. Request from LSU A&M to Name the Dale Brown/Sue Gunter Court

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Mr. Starns, the item was approved .

A vote was conducted. There were 6 yeas (Mr. Brown, Ms. Shaw, Mr. Armentor, Mr. Morrow, Mr. Temple, and Mr. Williams) and 2 nays (Mr. Mallett and Mr. Starns).

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 name the Dale Brown/Sue Gunter Court.

4.B.3. Consent Agenda

There were 4 items on the consent agenda.

Upon motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Ms. Shaw, the following items were approved unanimously.

Request from LSU Health Sciences Center- New Orleans to Name the Joseph M. Moerschbaecher, III, Ph.D. Library Commons

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 name the Joseph M. Moerschbaeher III, Ph.D. Library Commons.

Request from LSU A&M to Name Two Rooms in the Football Operations Building

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 name two rooms in the Football Operations Building.

Request from LSU A&M to Amend the Edwin K. Hunter Chair in the Traditions of Rhetoric and Argument in Communication Studies.

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 Amend the Edwin K. Hunter Chair in the Traditions of Rhetoric and Argument in Communication Studies.

Request from LSU A&M to Revisit its Vision and Mission Statements

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 revisit its Vision and Mission Statements.

4.C. Finance Committee

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

4.C.1. Request to Authorize the University to Negotiate a Contract for Dining Services with Recommended Vendor

Motion by Mr. Blossman, seconded by Mr. Starns, to move item to the next meeting.

A vote on the motion was conducted. There were 2 yays (Mr. Blossman and Mr. Starns) and 5 nays (Mr. Morrow, Ms. Aronson, Mr. Morris, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Zuschlag).

Motion by Mr. Zuschlag and Second by Mr. Morris to approve the original recommendation. A roll call vote was conducted. There were 5 yeas (Mr. Morrow, Ms. Aronson, Mr. Morris, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Zuschlag) and 2 nays (Mr. Blossman and Mr. Starns).

The motion is approved.

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 Negotiate and Execute a Contract for Dining Services.

4.C.2. Request for Authorization to Execute Agreements for Our Lady of the Lake Sponsorship/Partnership and Operation of Student Health Center.

Upon motion by Mr. Zuschlag, seconded by Mr. Morris, the item was approved.

There were 5 yeas (Mr. Morrow, Ms. Aronson, Mr. Morris, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Zuschlag) and 2 nays (Mr. Blossman and Mr. Starns).

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 Execute Agreements for Our Lady of the Lake Sponsorship/Partnership and Operation of Student Health Center.

- 4.C.3. Request from Pennington Biomedical Research Center to Amend the Existing Development Services Agreement with Pennington Biomedical Research Foundation

Upon motion by Mr. Starns, seconded by Ms. Aronson, the item was approved unanimously

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby approve the request from Pennington Biomedical Research Center to Amend the Existing Development Services Agreement with Pennington Biomedical Research Foundation.

4.D. Property and Facilities Committee

Present for the Athletics Committee were Ms. Aronson, Mr. Dampf, Mr. Mallet, Ms. Shaw, Mr. Woods, and Mr. Zuschlag

Upon motion by Mr. Mallet, seconded by Mr. Dampf, the following item was approved unanimously.

- 4.D.1. Request from LSU A&M to Authorize the President to Execute an Intent to Purchase Agreement with Respect to the Louisiana Emerging Technology Center Building.

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 authorize the President to Execute an Intent to Purchase Agreement with Respect to the Louisiana Emerging Technology Center Building.

4.E. Athletics Committee

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

- 4.E.1. Request from LSU A&M for Employment Contract for Lori Williams, Deputy Athletics Director for Leadership and Strategy.

Upon motion by Mr. Blossman, and seconded by Mr. Zuschlag, the item was approved unanimously.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby approve the employment contract from LSU A&M for Lori Williams, Deputy Athletics Director for Leadership and Strategy.

V. Reconvene Board Meeting

The regular meeting was called back to order and roll call conducted.

Present

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

Absent

Ms. Mary Leach Werner

VI. Approval of Minutes from the December 9th, 2022 Board Meeting

Upon motion by Mr. Zuschlag, seconded by Mr. Blossman, the minutes were approved unanimously.

VII. Reports from Faculty Advisors and Staff Advisors

Dr. Kamboj reported on behalf of the Faculty Advisors.

Tammy Millican reported on behalf of Staff Advisors.

VIII. President's Report

The president provided an informative report.

IX. Approval of Committee Recommendations

Ms. Jones called for a motion to accept all committee recommendations. Motion to approve by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Mr. Dampf. The committee minutes were approved. Mr. Blossman registered a nay vote for approval of the Academic Committee.

XIV. Chair's Report

Ms. Jones provided a report on the \$10 Million grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the LSU Women's Golf, Volleyball, Soccer and Football teams for their accomplishments and wins. Chairman Jones welcomed Dr. David Guzick, Chancellor of the Shreveport Health Sciences Center and Mr. John Walters, Vice President of External Affairs, to the LSU Family. Chairman Jones ended by emphasizing the safety of our students and wishing everyone a Happy Mardi Gras.

XV. Adjournment

Without further business before the Board, motion to adjourn by Mr. Morrow. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned.