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Mr. James Roy, Chairman-Elect, administered the Oath of Office for new Board members, R. Blake Chatelain and Mr. James W. Moore, Jr., at the beginning of the Integrated Committee Meetings, held July 17, 2008.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Shea called to order the Regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College in the System Building, Baton Rouge, Louisiana on July 17, 2008 at 2:50 p.m..

The secretary called the roll.

PRESENT

Mr. Jerry E. Shea, Jr.
Chairman

Mr. James P. Roy
Chairman-Elect

Dr. Jack Andonie
Mr. Henry P. Barham
Mr. R. Blake Chatelain
Mr. Anthony G. "Tony" Falterman
Dr. John F. George
Mr. Francis M. "Hank" Gowen, Jr.

Mr. Stanley J. Jacobs
Mr. Alvin E. Kimble
Mr. James W. Moore, Jr.
Mr. Ben W. Mount
Mrs. Dorothy "Dottie" Reese

ABSENT

Mr. Roderick K. West
Mrs. Laura A. Leach

Mr. Louis J. Lambert

Also present for the meeting were the following: President John V. Lombardi; Mr. P. Raymond Lamonica, General Counsel, LSU System; system officers and administrators from their respective campuses; faculty representatives; interested citizens and representatives of the news media.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Aimee Couvillion gave the Invocation. Mr. Billy Pilgrim gave the Pledge of Allegiance. Both students attend LSU- A.

Chairman Shea recognized Dr. David Manuel, Chancellor, LSU-Alexandria. He introduced:

Dr. Julie Gill, Assistant Professor of Kinesiology, faculty representative, LSU-Alexandria provided a presentation.

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3. Introduction of Faculty and Staff Representatives

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

4. Approval of the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on June 5, 2008

Upon motion of Mr. Kimble, seconded by Mrs. Reese, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 5, 2008.

5. Personnel Actions Requiring Board Approval

Mr. Lamonica, General Counsel, LSU System, advised that the Personnel Actions have been reviewed by appropriate system staff and conform in accord with Board policy. It is the recommendation of the system staff that all of these actions receive Board approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Falterman, seconded by Mr. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Personnel Actions as presented.

6. President's Report

President Lombardi recognized:

Dr. Michael V. Martin, incoming Chancellor, Louisiana State University commented on his upcoming endeavor and the opportunity to serve LSU. Dr. Martin is expected to arrive around August 1st 2008.

Mr. Henry P. Barham, SGA President, LSUHSC-Shreveport, and student Board member, reported on the activities of the Council of Student Body Presidents;

Dr. Tim Ryan, Chancellor, University of New Orleans, announced special awards of his faculty, Dr. Allan Millet received the Pritzker Military Library Literature Award for Lifetime Achievement in Military Writing, and Dr. Nancy Easterlin received a Guggenheim Fellowship, Research Professor in the Department of English.

Mr. Glenn Morris, Vice Chancellor, Paul M. Hebert Law Center, announced that Mr. Frank Neuner of Lafayette has been named the Law Center's outstanding Alumnus of the Year. Mr. Neuner was President of the Louisiana State Bar Association at the time of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita and is widely credited with a key role in rebuilding the justice system in New Orleans and other devastated areas. Mr. Neuner will be honored at a reception and dinner in New Orleans, and Board members will be receiving invitations to this event as soon as the pertinent details are finalized.

Dr. Larry Hollier, Chancellor, LSUHSC-NO announced the \$10.4 million grant from NIH CORE.

7. Report on Activities of the Board of Regents

Dr. Mike Gargano, LSU System Vice President, Student and Academic Support Services; Mr. John Antolik, and Mr. Jim Howell, LSU System, provided these informational reports.

8. Reports to the Board

- A. Health Plan Status Report (Written Report Only)
- B. 3rd Quarter Audit Summary (Written Report Only)
- C. Report from the LSU System Advisory Committee on Human Resource Management (Uniform Personnel Policy- Board Action Required)

Uniform Personnel Policy

Upon motion of Mrs. Reese, seconded by Mr. Roy, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Uniform Personnel Policy as Section 2-5.1 of the *Regulations* of the Board of Supervisors in accordance with the provisions of Art. VII, Section 8.D.4h of the *Bylaws*;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College adopts the uniform personnel policy as Section 2-5.1 of the *Regulations* of the Board of Supervisors in accordance with the provisions of Art VII, Section 8.D.4h of the *Bylaws*.

Section 2-5.1. Uniform Personnel Policy of the LSU Board of Supervisors (adopted July 17, 2008). Except as otherwise provided in the Bylaws, and notwithstanding any other provisions of these *Regulations*, all personnel actions made by any campus or institution of the LSU System shall be made in accordance with the following provisions, as amplified by a Permanent Memorandum issued by the President.

A. Personnel Actions Requiring Board Approval

The following personnel actions shall require approval by the Board of Supervisors:

1. Appointment of and compensation for the President, System Vice Presidents, all chancellors or equivalents, and all positions of dean or equivalent and above, including amendments to or extensions of appointment agreements and increases or decreases in compensation.
2. Any action which would result in an employee having total annual compensation exceeding \$125,000 (from all sources, both public and authorized private), provided that the President may by Permanent Memorandum establish a higher Board-approval threshold not to exceed \$250,000 for specified categories of employees, taking into account the competitive salary range in particular fields or disciplines. Upon establishing a higher Board-approval threshold, the President shall not delegate approval authority for compensation exceeding \$125,000. Board approval shall not be required when the compensation funding from non-state sources exceeds 80% of total compensation and the compensation from state sources is less than \$125,000.
3. Educational leave and sabbatical leave in excess of three months during any twelve month period.
4. Termination of tenured faculty.
5. Head coach and athletic director contracts and amendments thereto, provided that the President shall have the authority to approve any non-substantial amendments.
6. Leave without pay for one year or more or special leave with any pay or benefits for thirty days or more within any twelve month period.

7. Retrospective compensation of any type, which will be authorized only (i) in exceptional circumstances (when justified by the campus or institution in writing or as incidental to an approved general pay plan) or (ii) when, due to excusable neglect, the effective date of the proposed appointment, pay increase, or other personnel action is no more than 60 days prior to the Board meeting or 30 days prior to the previous Board meeting, when more than one month has elapsed since such previous Board meeting.
8. Termination of the President, all chancellors or equivalents, and all positions of dean or equivalent or above, unless otherwise provided in the appointment documents.
9. Either appointment or making any change in status which would result in the employee gaining indeterminate tenure or "rolling tenure" (i.e., rolling term).
10. Promotion in faculty rank.
11. Appointment to any designated chair or professorship
12. Conferring *emeritus* status on any person with less than ten years of service to the university or with titles other than professor.
13. Awarding any honorary degree.
14. Paying any salary supplement to an LSU employee from Board-authorized affiliated foundation funds.

B. Personnel Actions Requiring Presidential Approval

The following personnel actions shall require approval by the President, which authority may not be further delegated:

1. Pay raises of any type in excess of 15% in any one year to any faculty or unclassified personnel.
2. The creation of any new position.
3. Filling any faculty position made vacant because of lay-off or furlough pursuant to a Board-approved plan addressing institutional change or exigency.
4. Any action which would allow for a delay in review for tenure beyond the period of time established by LSU policy or in the employee's appointment letter.
5. Conferring *emeritus* titles not required to be approved by the Board.
6. Appointment for more than one year of any person who is to receive during employment by LSU any retirement benefits from any Louisiana public employee retirement system or plan.
7. Converting a filled classified position to an unclassified position, approval of which will only be granted if justified by the following factors:
 - (i) The employee must have a baccalaureate degree or sufficient professional experience to substitute for the degree, and
 - (ii) The duties of the unclassified position must require advanced learning acquired by a prolonged course of specialized, intellectual training.

8. General pay plans, including across-the-board pay raises which are granted to all or substantially all of the employees of a campus or institution.
9. Any other personnel action which the President determines should be reviewed at the System level. Such determinations may be made individually or be established for the System as a whole, for individual campuses or institutions, or for classes of employees either across the System or at specific campuses or institutions.

C. Personnel Actions which may be delegated by the President

Authority to take all other personnel actions is hereby delegated by the Board to the President, who may further delegate such authority, by a Permanent Memorandum, as he deems to be in the best interests of LSU, provided such actions are taken in accordance with the requirements for form, and reporting set forth in sections D and E of this policy.

D. Form of Letters of Appointment and Similar Agreements

All letters of appointment, contracts of employment, or other written employment agreements between LSU and any of its employees containing any special provisions not provided for in written general policy, shall either (i) use only the language prescribed for such agreements by the President in a standardized template or form (which is encouraged); or (ii) be approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the System Office of General Counsel prior to being signed.

E. Reporting

All personnel actions shall be reported to the President and the Board in a format prescribed by the President after consultation with the Board.

F. Submission of Actions for Approval by the Board or President

Any submission for approval by the Board or President shall be made in accordance with the deadlines established in Art. VII, sec. 8.F of the Bylaws. All such submissions shall include the following information:

1. All sources of compensation;
2. The nature of the appointment;
3. All proposed letters of employment, contracts of employment, or other written employment agreements pertaining to compensation or benefits; and
4. Any additional information required by the President.

G. Emergency Action by President

When circumstances require action on a personnel matter that would otherwise require approval of the Board involving faculty or an academic administrator of the rank of Vice Chancellor or below and, through no neglect of the campus, the matter cannot timely be presented to the Board, the President may take such final action. A report of the action, along with justification and a description of the circumstances shall be sent to the Board within ten (10) calendar days of the President's approval.

H. Miscellaneous

1. For purposes of this policy and the Permanent Memorandum to be issued by the President, "compensation" includes all income covered on any check issued (or electronic transmittal) by Louisiana State University for any compensation purposes as well as all income from other sources, including affiliated foundations, paid as compensation for work done on behalf of LSU or pursuant to the employment agreement with LSU. This includes any income paid pursuant to any faculty group practice plan or program. It does not include royalty, licensing, or other payments made pursuant to LSU's intellectual property policies.
 2. Nothing herein shall be construed to alter, amend, or in any way affect PM-11 or the policies and procedures set forth therein, which are required by La. R.S. 42:1123(9)(b).
 3. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this Section 2-5.1 and any other provisions of the *Regulations* of the Board of Supervisors or any Permanent Memorandum, the provisions of this Section 2-5.1 shall control.
 4. Nothing herein creates any rights, procedural or substantive, in employees, prospective employees, or other persons.
9. Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Chairman Shea offered the following resolution:

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 Mr. Mount, seconded by Mrs. Reese, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following Consent Agenda Items:

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- 9A. Recommendation to approve the Surface Lease with Subsurface Agreement with Hilcorp Energy Company for a drill site, a subsurface bore hole right-of-way, and a pipeline site at the LSU Agricultural Center's Ben Hur Farms

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College that John V. Lombardi, President of the LSU System, or his designee, is authorized on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors to execute a Surface Lease with Subsurface Agreement with the Hilcorp Energy Company for a drill site, a subsurface borehole right-of-way and a pipeline site at the LSU Agricultural Center's Ben Hur Farms.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that John V. Lombardi, President of the LSU 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 include in the Surface Lease with Subsurface Agreement any and all provisions and stipulations that he deems in the best interest of the Board of Supervisors.

- 9B. Recommendation to Approve Degrees to be Conferred on Candidates Meeting Degree Requirements For Graduation at Commencement Exercises on Campuses of the LSU System (August 8, 9, 2008)

LSU..... August 8, 2008
9:00 a.m.
Pete Maravich
Assembly Center

LSU Health Sciences Center in Shreveport..... August 9, 2008
10:00 a.m.
Shreveport
Convention Center

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 8, 9, 2008).

10. Committee Reports

- 10A. Health Care and Medical Education Committee

Dr. Andonie, Chairman, Health Care and Medical Education Committee, reported that the Committee received the following informational reports. No official Board action is required.

- 10A1. Status report on activities at the LSU Health Sciences Centers and the Health Care Services Division

Dr. Fred Cerise, Vice President for Health Care presented these reports. No official Board action is required.

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10B. Academic and Student Affairs, Achievement and Distinction Committee

Mrs. Reese, Chair, Academic and Student Affairs, Achievement and Distinction Committee, reported that the Committee recommends Board approval of the following resolutions:

Upon motion of Mrs. Reese, seconded by Mr. Falterman, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolutions:

10B1. Request to Continue an Existing Research Center – The Center for Hazards Assessment, Response & Technology at the University of New Orleans

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College recommends renewal of the Center for Hazards Assessment, Response and Technology for an additional five-year period, subject to approval by the Board of Regents.

10B2. Request for Full Approval of a Previously Approved Research Unit - The Stephenson Disaster Management Institute at Louisiana State University

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College recommends full conditional (five - year) approval of the Stephenson Disaster Management Institute, subject to approval by the Board of Regents.

10B3. Recommendation to Approve a Letter of Intent to Establish a Ph.D. in Epidemiology at Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center in New Orleans School of Public Health

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College recommends approval of the proposed Letter of Intent for the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree in Epidemiology at Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center New Orleans School of Public Health, subject to approval by the Board of Regents.

10C. Finance, Infrastructure, and Core Development Committee

Mr. Kimble, Chairman, Finance, Infrastructure, and Core Development Committee, reported that the Committee recommends Board approval of these resolutions, as follows:

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10C1. Request by the Administrative Officers of the campuses and hospitals to write-off uncollectible receivable accounts as of June 30, 2008

Upon motion of Mr. Kimble, seconded by Mr. Jacobs, the Board 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 does hereby authorize the write-off of accounts receivable for fiscal year 2007-08 which are deemed to be uncollectible and chargeable against the respective funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be effective as of June 30, 2008.

10C2. Consideration of increases in resident and non-resident tuition and mandatory attendance fees as authorized by the 2008 Regular Legislative Session, and otherwise in accordance with law (AMENDED)

The 2008 Regular Legislative Session (House Bill 734) authorized tuition increases of up to five (5%) percent for public higher education institutions for 2008-2009 through 2011-2012. This legislation decrees the Board of Regents to develop guidelines in accordance with the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) in order to determine appropriate tuition and mandatory attendance fees based on institutional peers and their respective median tuitions and mandatory attendance fees.

Dr. John McDonald, Chancellor, LSUHSC-Shreveport, advised that his campus would only accept a three (3%) percent increase and not the five (5%) percent authorized by the Legislature. He noted that tuition revenue on the medical school campus enhances a small part of the overall budget. As indicated by Dr. McDonald, "it may be of great importance to the students ... but it makes virtually no difference to the future of the medical center."

Concern was expressed by Mr. Roy that in order to avoid future ramifications with the Legislature, the university system campuses should accept the extra tuition revenue as authorized during this legislative session.

Upon motion of Mr. Kimble, seconded by Mr. Jacobs, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution, as amended:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College does hereby authorize that the total of annual tuition and mandatory fees be increased as follows:

Louisiana State University and A & M College:

1. From \$4,688.40 to \$4,922.40 or \$234.00 for resident undergraduate students taking 15 credit hours.
2. From \$12,988.40 to \$13,636.40 or \$648.00 for non-resident undergraduate students taking 15 credit hours.
3. From \$4,662.90 to 4,896.90 or \$234.00 for resident graduate students taking 15 credit hours.
4. From \$12,962.90 to \$13,610.90 or \$648.00 for non-resident graduate students taking 15 credit hours.
5. From \$11,909.40 to \$12,505.40 or \$596.00 for resident students enrolled in the School of Veterinary Medicine.
6. From \$35,076 to \$36,830 for students enrolled in the Executive MBA Program, and to be assessed only to new students beginning fall 2008.

LSU Eunice:

1. From \$2,239.50 to \$2,306.50 or \$67.00 for resident undergraduate students taking 15 credit hours.
2. From \$5,239.50 to \$5,396.50 or \$157.00 for non-resident students taking 15 credit hours.

LSU Shreveport:

1. From \$3,520.80 to \$3,687.36 or \$166.56 for resident undergraduate students taking 15 credit hours.
2. From \$7,846.80 to \$8,229.84 or \$383.04 for non-resident undergraduate students taking 15 credit hours.
3. From \$3,994.80 to \$4,192.56 or \$197.96 for resident graduate students taking 15 credit hours.
4. From \$9,472.80 to \$9,944.40 or \$471.60 for non-resident graduate students taking 15 credit hours.

University of New Orleans:

1. From \$3,984 to \$4,180 or \$196.00 for resident undergraduate students taking 15 credit hours.
2. From \$11,028 to \$11,576 or \$548.00 for non-resident undergraduate students taking 15 credit hours.
3. From \$3,918 to \$4,114 or \$196.00 for resident graduate students taking 12 credit hours.
4. From \$10,962 to \$11,510 or \$548.00 for non-resident graduate students taking 12 credit hours.

LSU Alexandria:

1. From \$3,168.50 to \$3,326.50 or \$158.00 for resident undergraduate students taking 15 credit hours.
2. From \$5,628.50 to \$5,908.50 or \$280.00 for non-resident undergraduate students taking 15 credit hours.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these increases be effective with the 2008 fall semester, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these increases be applied proportionately to part-time students and to the summer and intersession terms, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President be authorized to set the resident and non-resident fees at the LSU Health Sciences Center in New Orleans and the LSU Health Sciences Center in Shreveport effective with the January semester or equivalent when the guidelines for those campuses are finally adopted by the Board of Regents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President is authorized to raise non-resident fees by the same total percentage that resident fees are raised.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board ratifies and readopts the Criteria for Financial Hardship Waiver of the Tuition Increases previously adopted by this Board for campuses, and authorizes the President to make any modifications he determines to be appropriate in the interests of the University. For purposes of this paragraph the waiver criteria of the LSU HSC shall be applicable to LSUHSC-S, which was a component of HSC at the time of the adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each campus shall take reasonable steps to make known to prospective students affected by the increases the criteria and procedures for obtaining a waiver so that the prospective student can be aware of the increase and the availability of waivers prior to making a final decision concerning attendance at the campus.

10C3. Update on the 2008-2009 Operating Budget

Mr. John Antolik, assistant Vice-President, LSU System, presented this report. No Board action required.

10D. Property and Facilities Committee

Mr. Mount, Chairman, Property and Facilities Committee, reported that the Committee met and recommends that the following resolutions receive Board approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Mount, seconded by Mrs. Reese, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolutions:

10D1. Recommendation to approve a Supplemental Cooperative Endeavor Agreement / Space Act Agreement for shared capabilities at the National Center for Advanced Manufacturing at the NASA-MSFC Michoud Assembly Facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College authorizes Dr. John V. Lombardi, LSU System President, or his designee, to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement between LSU, the State of Louisiana, NASA, and the UNO Research and Technology Foundation regarding the funding and acquisition of equipment and facilities modifications for the National Center for Advanced Manufacturing (NCAM);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the cooperative endeavor agreement and any related agreements shall provide: (i) that the LSU System Internal Audit department shall have access to all records of the Foundation pertaining to its management of the NCAM facility; and (ii) that LSU may terminate its participation in the agreement without penalty if NCAM does not generate sufficient revenues to support itself, which revenues may include operating funds provided by the Department of Economic Development, but may not include contributions from other UNO funds, and that UNO shall promptly notify the President and the Board should this termination right arise;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that President Lombardi, or his successor or designee, is hereby authorized to execute any and all other documents necessary to consummate the above-described transactions, including any agreement between UNO and the UNO Research and Technology Foundation relating to the management and operation of the NCAM Facility, and to include in the cooperative endeavor agreement and all other documents such terms and conditions as he, in consultation with the System General Counsel, shall deem to be in the best interests of LSU.

10D2. Progress report on the Pennington Biomedical Research Center's special appropriation

Dr. Claude Bouchard, Executive Director of the Pennington Biomedical Research Center, provided this presentation. No official Board action is required.

10E. Legislative, Public Policy and Information Committee

10E1. Final Report on the 2008 Regular Legislative Session

Mr. Stanley J. Jacobs, Vice-Chairman, reported that the Board received a detailed report from Mr. Jim Marchand, Assistant to the Executive Vice President and the General Counsel, LSU System, with regards to 2008 Legislative Session. No Board action is required.

10F. Athletic Committee

In the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair, Mr. Jacobs, Committee member, Athletic Committee, reported that the Committee met and recommends Board approval of the Contracts of Employment:

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

10F1. Recommendation to amend the Contracts of Employment for selected head coaches at Louisiana State University

Men's Golf:	Charles Winstead
Women's Golf:	Karen Bahnsen
Men's Tennis:	Jeffrey Brown
Women's Tennis:	Tony Minnis
Softball:	Yvette Girourad
Gymnastics:	DD Breaux
Volleyball:	Fran Flory
Women's Soccer:	Brian Lee
Swimming & Diving:	Adam Schmitt

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College authorizes Dr. John V. Lombardi, LSU System President, or his designee, to sign contracts with the head coaches and to include in such contracts the terms and such other terms and conditions as he, in consultation with the System General Counsel, deems to be in the best interests of LSU.

(Copy of Contract of Employment on file in the Office of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College)

10G2. Resolution Honoring Head Coach Dennis Shaver and the Louisiana State University Track and Field Teams

Upon motion of Mr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Kimble, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the LSU men's and women's track and field teams under Head Coach Dennis Shaver, the 2008 NCAA Women's Outdoor Coach of the Year, have brought distinction to Louisiana and the university; and

WHEREAS, the teams have captured 31 national championships in the program's proud history, including a 67-63 victory by the Lady Tigers to capture the championship at the 2008 NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships over Arizona State; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Tigers won the team title on the strength of a dominating sprints and hurdles group that included the outstanding performance of NCAA champions Kelly-Ann Baptiste in the 100 meters and Nickiesha Wilson in the 400-meter hurdles, among others; and

WHEREAS, the Tigers performed courageously with a second-place finish at the national championship meet at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the men's team was led to its third consecutive runner-up honor by NCAA champions Richard Thompson in the 100-meter dash, and Thompson, Armanti Hayes, Gabriel Mvumvure and Trindon Holliday in the 4x100-meter relay, among others; and

WHEREAS, the Tigers and Lady Tigers have established themselves as national powers in NCAA Division I track and field under the leadership of Coach Shaver and his administration,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College does hereby express its sincere appreciation and congratulations to Coach Shaver and the LSU track and field teams for achieving national athletic distinction that has brought high honor not only to LSU and its students but to the entire Louisiana State University System.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Coach Shaver as an expression of gratitude from this Board and that this resolution be entered into the permanent record of the Board of Supervisors.

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11. Chairman's Report

Chairman Shea noted that this is his last full Board meeting as Chairman, he said, "It's been a pleasure and honor serving as your Chairman this last year, I look forward to working with Mr. Roy and the members of the Board to continue the main campus' Flagship Agenda."

12. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Carleen N. Smith
Administrative Secretary