UL System Touts Innovative University Programs

University of Louisiana System Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs Richard Hansen presented to the Board academic program highlights from each of the nine campuses.

“We do a great job at our nine universities in the area of academics, and we should brag more about the innovative programs we have in place,” Hansen said.

Highlighted programs and accomplishments include:

- Grambling's Sports Administration Graduate Program exposes students to experiences in the complex economic, fan-based, multi-media entertainment industry. It was the first of its kind offered at an HBCU, and has graduated more than 500 students.
- Louisiana Tech’s Cyber Security Research Center is where Dr. Vir Phoha oversees two grant awards for research under the DARPA Active Authentication program for a total budget of $236,500.

Board Approves 2013-14 Operating Budgets

The Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System approved the Fiscal Year 2013-14 operating budgets for its nine universities and system office that included a special distribution of $10 million from the state’s 2013-14 Overcollections Fund for use on deferred maintenance and general operations.

The combined total budget for the UL System and its schools is $751.7 million. That figure includes $251.2 million (33%) in state funding and $500.4 million (67%) in self-generated revenue, mostly tuition and fees.

Of the $251.2 million in state funding, $104.9 million comes from the Overcollections Fund, which consists of various contingency funds that may or may not materialize.

UL System Vice President for Finance Robbie Robinson expressed concerns about planning should some or all of these funds not be available.

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McNeese’s Southwest Entrepreneurial and Economic Development Center (SEED) is home to the SWLA Chamber Alliance offices and the MSU Innovation Engineering Center and Student Incubators.

Nicholls Geomatics Program is the only one of its kind in Louisiana and one of three in the Southeast U.S.

Northwestern’s College of Nursing is the oldest state supported nursing program and fifth largest in the United States.

Southeastern’s New Media and Animation concentration of the Art B.A. program was cited as one of the Best in the South by Animation Career Review.

UL Lafayette’s Center for Visual and Decision Informatics is the first National Science Foundation sponsored center in the state of Louisiana.

ULM’s College of Business and CenturyLink partnership yielded two new Post Baccalaureate Certificate programs to meet the need for highly skilled accountants, computer programmers, and analysts.

UNO’s Advanced Materials Research Institute is a multidisciplinary research institute founded in 1997 as a consortium for training, research, and technology transfer in advanced materials and nanoscience, and is the first of its kind in Louisiana.

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“Our campuses have dealt with mid-year budget cuts for the last five years but it has not been at this potential magnitude. We are going to hit the wall at some point,” he said.

The system is operating under the same total funding amount today as it did in FY 2008-09 even after adding the University of New Orleans and its 11,000 students in 2012. Seventy-two percent of the budget is in personnel, and including UNO, UL System schools have lost over 2,000 full-time positions since FY 2008-09.

UL System Total Funding

FINANCE

Granting: Resolution providing for the issuance of not exceeding $7,500,000 Revenue Bonds, approving the form of a Supplemental Trust Indenture, approving the form and authorizing the execution of other documents in connection therewith; authorizing the office and trustees of the System to do all things necessary to effectuate this resolution; and providing for other matters in connection with the foregoing.

Southeastern: Issue refunding bonds (Southeastern Louisiana Student Housing University Facilities, Inc. Project) not to exceed $55,000,000.

ULM Management Agreement with the ULM Athletic Foundation effective August 21, 2013.

AUDIT


SEED: Resolution for the issuance of not exceeding $55,000,000 Revenue Bonds, approving the form of a Supplemental Trust Indenture, approving the form and authorizing the execution of other documents in connection therewith; authorizing the office and trustees of the System to do all things necessary to effectuate this resolution; and providing for other matters in connection with the foregoing.

Athletic: Issue refunding bonds (Southeastern Louisiana Student Housing University Facilities, Inc. Project) not to exceed $55,000,000.

ULM Management Agreement with the ULM Athletic Foundation effective August 21, 2013.

other Board Action

The Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System approved the following requests:

ACADEMIC & STUDENT AFFAIRS

McNeese: Realignment of its organizational structure.

McNeese: Amendment to Southwestern’s Letter of Intent for a Bachelor of Science degree program in Health Management Systems to include McNeese State University as an equal partner.

Nicholls: Change the name of the Department of Psychology and Counselor Education to the Department of Psychology, Counseling, and Family Studies.

UL Lafayette: Center for Visual and Decision Informatics.

ULM: Post Baccalaureate Certificate (PBC) in Unmanned Aircraft Systems Management in the College of Business Administration.

ULM: Proposal for a Bachelor of Science degree program in Pharmaceutical Sciences.

ULM: Certificate in Computed Tomography degree program in the Department of Radiologic Technology in Fall 2014.

ULM: Agreement of Academic Cooperation with G E U M G A N G University, Nonsan, Republic of Korea.

ULM: Student Exchange Agreement with the University of Birling.

UNO: Letter of Intent for a Bachelor of Science degree program in Health Care Management.

UNO: Letter of Intent for a Master of Fine Arts degree program in Creative Writing.

UL System: System Universities’ 2013-14 Promotions in Faculty Rank and Recommendations for Tenure.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Granting: Appoint Dr. King David Godwin as Interim Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, effective July 1, 2013.

Granting: Appoint Mr. Aaron James as Athletic Director, effective September 1, 2013.

McNeese: Memorandum of Understanding with Dr. Tommy McClairen, Director of Athletics, effective August 22, 2013.

McNeese: Appoint Mr. Fred Bruce Hemphill as Athletics Director effective August 22, 2013.

UL Lafayette: Appoint Dr. Brad E. Clark as Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective July 1, 2013.

UL Lafayette: Appoint Mr. James Brady, Head Track & Field/Cross Country Coach, effective August 1, 2013.

ULM: Appoint Dr. Mary J. Farmer-Kaiser as Acting Dean of the Graduate School, effective August 1, 2013.

UL Lafayette: Appoint Dr. Azmy S. Ackleh as Interim Provost and Vice President for University Advancement, effective July 1, 2013.

UL Lafayette: Appoint Dr. Amy S. Addke as Dean of the Ray P. Authement College of Sciences, effective August 1, 2013.

UL Lafayette: Appoint Dr. Mary J. Farmer-Kaiser as Acting Dean of the Graduate School, effective August 1, 2013.

ULM: Appoint Dr. Brian Wickstrom as Director of Athletics, effective July 14, 2013.

ULM: Appoint Ms. Pamela Jackson as Interim Dean of Students, effective August 1, 2013.

SYSTEM PRESIDENT

UL System: Personnel Actions.

UL System: Name Daniel Rineau President Emeritus of Louisiana Tech University.

Louisiana Tech: Accept bequest and complete transfer of property from Ms. Frances Banker Mitchell.

UL Lafayette: Ground and Buildings Lease Agreement and Agreement to Lease with Option to Purchase with Ragin’ Cajun Facilities Corporation to develop the University’s Tier 1 Athletic Facilities Project.

UL Lafayette: Ground and Buildings Lease Agreement and Agreement to Lease with Option to Purchase with Ragin’ Cajun Facilities Corporation to develop the University’s Lewis Street Parking Garage and related facilities project.

UNO: Ground Lease with McDonald’s USA, LLC.


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