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Board Elects New Officers

Today the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System selected new leadership for 2010. Winfred F. Sibille of Sunset will serve as Chair and D. Wayne Parker of Choudrant will serve as Vice Chair.

Sibille is a longtime educator who has been on the Board since 1995 and served the last two years as Board Vice Chair.

"I am very happy and humbled by the decision of the Board. We have one of the finest boards in this state, and I look forward to continuing our work to educate Louisiana's citizens," said Sibille.

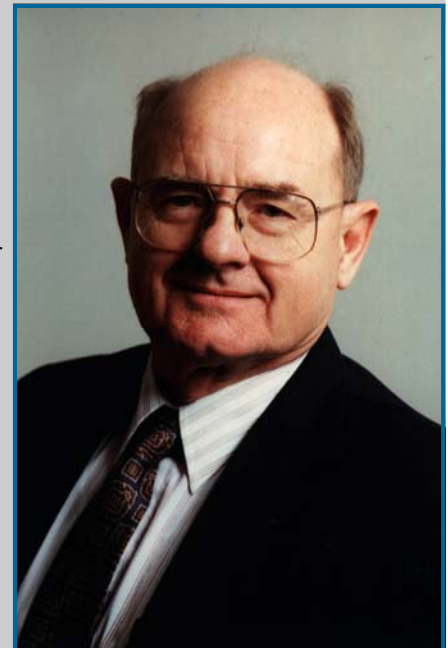
He holds a Bachelor's degree from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, a Master's degree in education from Louisiana State University and over 30 additional credit hours from LSU, UL Lafayette and Nicholls State University.

Retired since 1986, Sibille has worked as a teacher, principal, supervisor, assistant superintendent, legislative consultant and lobbyist. His many honors include being named State Educator of the Year in 1989 by the Louisiana Association of School Executives.

Parker is a retired executive and human resources manager from Williamette Industries, Inc. He was appointed to the Board in 2003 and has served the last two years as Board Parliamentarian. He holds a degree in Business Administration for Louisiana Tech University.

The new officers will officially assume duties when they are sworn-in on January 8, 2010.

For more information about these and other members of the Board of Supervisors, visit the



Winfred F. Sibille

UL System website at www.ulsystem.edu at click on "Board of Supervisors."

Eight Universities Strong

- Grambling State University
- Louisiana Tech University
- McNeese State University
- Nicholls State University
- Northwestern State University
- Southeastern Louisiana University
- University of Louisiana at Lafayette
- University of Louisiana at Monroe

Presidential Search Committee Appointed for GSU

The following Board Members were appointed to serve on the Grambling State University Presidential Search Committee:

- Elsie Burkhalter of Slidell
- Edward Crawford of Shreveport
- Mildred Gallot of Grambling
- Steven Jackson, Student Board Member and Grambling SGA President
- Jeffrey Jenkins of Baton Rouge

- Jimmy Long, Sr. of Natchitoches
- D. Wayne Parker of Choudrant
- Winfred Sibille of Sunset

According to Board Rules, the Grambling faculty will select a representative to serve on the committee and University of Louisiana System President Randy Moffett will serve as the non-voting chair.

The first meeting of the committee has not yet been scheduled but will take place in the new year.

After five years of service, Horace A. Judson resigned as President of Grambling in October. Last month, the Board appointed Frank G. Pogue to serve as Interim President until a new president is named.

Board Thanks Outgoing Chair Elsie Burkhalter



UL System President Randy Moffett presented outgoing Board Chair Elsie P. Burkhalter with a plaque and roses. Burkhalter's two-year term as Board Chair will end in January.

"You've provided tremendous leadership for our Board during very tumultuous times and always kept us focused on the students," said Moffett.

Board Member Andre Coudrain thanked Burkhalter on behalf of the Nominating Committee. "You handled your position with grace, compassion and fair-mindedness," said Coudrain.

Burkhalter has served on the Board for 16 years. She was the first African-American and first female to be appointed Chair. A former teacher, she currently serves as President of the St. Tammany Federation of Teachers and School Employees, is a vice president of the Louisiana Federation of Teachers and serves on the Board of the American Federation of Teachers.

UL Lafayette Thinking Outside the Box for Access and Success

Giving top academic scholars the same attention as high school athletic recruits, providing incentives for outstanding student advising and involving community leaders to attract underrepresented minority students are just some of the many ways the University of Louisiana at Lafayette is thinking outside the box to improve student access and success.

UL Lafayette today was the last of the eight universities to present efforts to the Board's Special Committee on Access and Success. Committee Chair Wayne Parker commended their work.

"Your enthusiasm, vision and commitment are all evident in your first-class program. You are doing a great job," said Parker.

UL Lafayette implemented an Academic Signing program where top high school students sign a commitment to attend and receive a scholarship. It's modeled after the awarding of athletic scholarships.

"We pay so much attention to athletes. It's time we pay equal attention to exceptional students," said

Vice President for Enrollment Services DeWayne Bowie.

Additional programs highlighted were the Black Community Leaders Advisory Group, the McNair Program to assist gifted yet financially-challenged students, supplemental instruction for at-risk students, an award system for advisors whose students excel, and the Academic Success Course that matches students with a faculty or staff mentor.

UL Lafayette staff reinforced the need for these programs.

"A full 50 percent of incoming freshmen are first generation college students," said Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Steve Landry.

"Data shows that a quarter of dropouts across the country have a GPA of over 3.0," said Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs Carolyn Bruder, reinforcing that barriers to access and success are not strictly finances or low academic achievement.

UL System President Randy Moffett said, "Today's presentation is a great culmination of the work of all our schools implementing innovative, new ideas. We are reminded that students come to our universities with many challenges outside of school. I'm so very proud of our universities for doing a remarkable job given their resources and challenges."

For more information on this and other university programs visit www.ulsystem.edu.



UL Lafayette senior Megan Butler (right) is pictured with her academic advisor, Dr. Bruce Felgenhauer, who has earned the university's Outstanding Advising Award five times. The annual award, established in 1995, includes a stipend: senior faculty receive \$1,000, junior faculty receive \$500.

RECOGNITION OF TEAM BEAUSOLEIL



The Board recognized Team BeauSoleil of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette for their success at the 2009 U.S. Department of Energy's Solar Decathlon. The team, composed of students in architecture, engineering, communications, the arts and other disciplines, designed and built an energy-efficient home. The only university team from Louisiana to compete, Team BeauSoleil won the Market Viability and People's Choice awards.

"We are honored to be here today. Because we made this home for Louisiana, it means more to us to be honored here today than any national honor," said student Scott Chappuis.

Faculty advisor Geoff Gjertson said the team's two-year journey is not complete. They are continuing to refine the home and prepare it for production.

"This brought national attention to the need for affordable housing and using renewable resources. It is good for the students, UL Lafayette, Acadiana and Louisiana as a whole," said Gjertson.

For more information visit www.beausoleilhome.org.

Board Action

The Board of Supervisors for the UL System approved the following university requests:

Academic and Student Affairs

- McNeese: Establish Institute of Industry-Education Collaboration (IIEC).
- Nicholls: Combine the Department of University Studies and the Department of General Studies into a single department called the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies.
- Nicholls: Letter of Intent to establish Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) degree programs in Special Education, Elementary Education, Middle School Education, Secondary Education, and Health and Physical Education.
- UL Lafayette: Letter of Intent to establish a Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) degree program in Special Education.
- UL Lafayette: Letter of Intent to establish a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree program in Systems Engineering.
- UL Lafayette: Proposal to offer a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in

Moving Image Arts.

- UL Lafayette and Southeastern: Letter of Intent for a joint offering of a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree program.

Athletic

- Southeastern: Appoint Mr. W. Bart Bellairs as Director of Intercollegiate Athletics effective January 4, 2010.
- UL Monroe: Campus Complimentary Ticket Policies.

Facilities

- La Tech: Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the City of Ruston for the transfer of ownership and maintenance responsibility for portions of the campus water system.
- La Tech: Demolish two structures located in the Research Park.
- McNeese: Name "Alpha" Hall "Chozen Hall" for the family of Harry and David Chozen.
- McNeese: Amend the Lease/Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the McNeese State University Foundation involving the lease of the Fuller Farm property.

- Nicholls: Name Lecture Room 152 in Betsy Cheramie Ayo Hall the Gibson and Enola Autin Auditorium.

- UL Lafayette: Resolution approving the form and authorizing the execution of a Ground Lease Agreement and an Agreement to Lease with Option to Purchase with Ragin' Cajun Facilities, Inc. (RCFI), a 501(c)3, not-for-profit corporation, for the financing, design, and construction of improvements to the Ragin' Cajuns Softball Facilities.

- UL Lafayette: Continue with the process of financing, designing, renovating, and expanding the University's Student Union Complex utilizing Ragin' Cajun Facilities, Inc. (RCFI), a 501(c)3, not-for-profit corporation.

- UL Lafayette: Continue with the process of selecting a firm to develop and implement and comprehensive student housing plan utilizing Ragin' Cajun Facilities, Inc. (RCFI), a 501 (c)3, not-for-profit corporation.

Finance

- Southeastern: Begin negotiations with Texas Book Company for bookstore operations.

President's Business

- UL System: Bestow title of President Emeritus of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette to Dr. Ray P. Authement.
- UL System: Board Rule Revision to Chapter III, Faculty and Staff, Section XVI. Financial Exigency.
- UL System: Board Policy and Procedures Memorandum on Incentivized Retirements/Resignations.

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