Board of Regents Minutes

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

August 26, 2010

On behalf of Regent Levy, Chair of the Sponsored Programs Committee, Dr. Kerry Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, moved to dispense with the reading of the report and approve the following motions "in globo."

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Klein, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee as follows:

JOINT NSF/BOARD OF REGENTS CONFERENCE ON THE GULF OIL SPILL: THE STATUS OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN RELATION TO THE GULF OIL SPILL: BETTER SCIENCE FOR BETTER POLICY

To grant approval to use up to \$100,000 from the Support Fund to support an NSF/BoR oil spill conference with the following stipulations: (1) the staff will continue to seek conference funds from other sources; and (2) dollars from the Support Fund will be used only as needed when other funds are unavailable.

UPDATES:

Dr. Davidson noted that Mr. John Wallin, Associate Commissioner for Sponsored Programs Administration, and Ms. Carrie Robison, Special Programs Manager had updated the Committee on the following two items respectively: (A) P-KSFI Midcourse Project and Program Evaluation and (B) 2010 Comprehensive Evaluation of the Research and Development Component of the BoRSF. Mr. Wallin noted that the Board had asked the staff to conduct a P-KSFI Midcourse and Project and Program Evaluation after each project had been in operation for three years and he informed the Committee that the evaluation would be conducted during October or November.

Ms. Carrie Robison, Special Programs Manager, who stated the current BoRSF Strategic Plan requires each component of the BoRSF be comprehensively reviewed at least once during each Strategic Planning cycle to determine program effectiveness and chart possible new directions. She noted that the current R&D program review includes 300 projects across three subprograms: Research Competitiveness (RCS), Industrial Ties Research (ITRS), and Awards to Louisiana Artists and Scholars (ATLAS) and that approximately 80% of requested data had been received, with three campuses supplying 50% or less. A discussion had ensued regarding the necessity of completing data collection and possible penalties for campuses which fail to comply with the Regents' request.

To recommend that the Sponsored Programs Staff submit an update at the September 2010 meeting on missing R&D data and recommendations of penalties for non-compliant campuses.

ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT OF AUGUST 26, 2010

To adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Meeting Report of August 25, 2010. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)