Board of Regents Minutes

SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT March 26, 2008

On behalf of Regent Levy, Chair of the Sponsored Programs Committee, Dr. Kerry Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, presented motions from the Sponsored Programs Committee Report of March 26, 2008.

CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT AWARDS (REA) PROGRAM COMPONENT OF THE JOINTLY SPONSORED (REGENTS/NASA) LOUISIANA SPACE CONSORTIUM (LaSPACE) PROGRAM

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent D'Aquin, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve the LaSPACE consultants' report and funding recommendations in the amount of \$128,638 relative to the four top-ranked LaSPACE Research Enhancement Award (REA) projects recommended for funding, to be paid from Support Funds annually allocated to the LaSPACE Research Enhancement Awards program. Projects will be funded in the order, amounts, and with any stipulations recommended in the consultants' report. If an award is declined, that award shall be offered to the alternate proposals in the order indicated in the report.

CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST FOR MATCHING FUNDS FOR PROPOSAL TO THE NSF CENTERS OF RESEARCH EXCELLENCE IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (CREST) PROGRAM

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Klein, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Sponsored Programs Committee to approve committing a cash match from previously unspent monies in the Board of Regents Support Fund for the Southern University NSF CREST proposal entitled "Center for Bioenergy Research and Development." The amount of cash match provided annually shall be \$150,000, not to exceed a total of \$750,000 for the initial five-year duration of the award. Matching funds are to be provided only if NSF CREST funding is received.

<u>UPDATES EMANATING FROM THE BoRSF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING OF</u> MARCH 24, 2008

Dr. Davidson mentioned that the BoRSF Planning Committee had endorsed a resolution for the Louisiana Online Grants Administration Network (LOGAN), a web-based system of grants administration. He said an internal assessment report was included in the Board packet.

<u>ADOPTION OF THE SPONSORED PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT OF MARCH 26, 2008.</u>

On motion of Regent Levy, seconded by Regent Klock, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Sponsored Programs Committee Report of March 26, 2008. (Copy on file in the office of the Board of Regents.)