

BYLAWS OF THE LSU BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS

The Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College

The “Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College” or “Board” as used in the **Bylaws**, shall refer to the governing Board of the University and shall be composed of the Board of Supervisors, duly appointed and qualified as provided by law.

University

The term “University” when used in these **Bylaws**, shall refer to the collection of campuses, academic programs, facilities, and other assets governed by the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors is

ARTICLE III. MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular Meetings

The Board of Supervisors shall hold at least six regular meetings in each calendar year, but at least one regular meeting shall be held in each quarter of the calendar year. Other meetings of the Board may be called and held as provided by any rule, regulation, or resolution adopted by the Board. All regular meetings shall be held at meeting places designated by prior action of the Board or by the Chair.

Section 2. Special Meetings

Special meetings of the Board may be called by the Chair of the Board at any time, or by the Secretary upon receipt of a written request therefore signed by nine (9) Supervisors and specifying the purpose of the desired meeting. Notification shall be distributed and received by each Supervisor at least one (1) calendar day before the time of the meeting.

Section 3. Recessed Meetings

All meetings may be recessed from day to day until the completion of business.

Section 4. Quorum

Ten (10) Supervisors

In exceptional circumstances, which should be rare, the Chair, in consultation with the Vice Chair- and the President, may authorize a later submission of a proposal, but in no event should such submission be made

The Executive Committee shall consist of no less than seven (7) members including the Chair of the Board, the Vice Chair and the Immediate Past Chair, all Past Chairs and such other members

E. Finance Committee

Section 8. Representative on Standing Committees of the Louisiana Board of Regents

In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 17:3399.5, the Chair shall appoint a Supervisor to represent the University on select standing committees of the Louisiana Board of Regents.

ARTICLE VI. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

All communications to the Board, or to any committee thereof, from persons having official relations with the University shall be filed in writing with the President and duly transmitted by the President to the Board; but all communications from a student organization, faculty member, officer, or employee of any campus or University-wide unit shall be transmitted to the President through the Chancellor or, for LSU, the President's designee

7. the lease raises significant questions of policy, such as privatization of a major University function, as determined by the President, in consultation with the Chair and Chair-Elect of the Board and the chair of the relevant Board committee.
8. For purposes of these Bylaws, a “lease” shall mean any agreement allowing for the use or occupancy of building space or land on an exclusive basis for a continuous term of six (6) months or more or for a term of 11 months or more in any 12 month period. “Lease” shall not include agreements allowing for occasional, sporadic, or incidental use or occupancy of building space or land.

F. Granting of Mineral Rights or Other Significant Rights in Immovable Property

Any matter related to the assignment, sale, purchase, transfer, or donation of mineral rights in immovable property to or from the Board.

G. Capital Improvements

Any contract or series of related contracts for the construction, renovation, or other capital improvement of buildings or other immovable property of the Board where either:

1. the construction cost is projected to be greater than \$1 million;
2. the building or other structure being constructed will exceed 10,000 gross square feet of space; or
3. the use of the land as a result of the proposed construction is inconsistent with any applicable Master Plan approved by the Board.

H. Schematic Designs

Exterior elevations of new buildings and of renovations or construction projects that significantly alter the appearance of the exterior of the building or other physical structures, where the construction cost is anticipated to exceed \$1 million.

I. Bonds and Indebtedness

Issuing any bonds or borrowing funds in any other manner, whether secured by the pledge of a revenue stream, property of the Board, or other means.

J. Major Contracts

Any contract or series of related contracts that either:

1. requires Board approval pursuant to the Higher Education Procurement Code adopted by the Board;
2. is a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for which approval by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget is required pursuant to applicable state law, including but not limited to La. R.S. 39:366.11, and any joint ventures, partnerships, and similar agreements; or,
3. raises significant financial, educational, or other policy issues, such as privatization of a major University function, as determined by the President, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board and the chair of the relevant Board committee.

K. Non-Academic Affiliation Agreements

Any affiliation agreement with a private non-profit foundation formed to support the programs, facilities, and research and educational opportunities offered by one or more campuses of the University, or the University as a whole.

L. Matters related to personnel:

1. The hiring process, appointment, annual evaluation, and all other personnel actions relating to the President

2. Appointments, salary increases greater than 4%, salary decreases, and terminations for Chancellors and University Officers. (All other salary increases for these personnel shall be reported to the board.)
3. Appointments and all other personnel actions relating to varsity athletics coaches and Athletic Directors receiving a salary of \$250,000 or above.
4. Upon approval by the President of a Personnel Action Approval Policy, and in conformance with such policy, the President shall have authority to approve all other actions and to delegate approval to the Chancellors or their designees.
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Section 7. Ethics Code, Conflicts of Interest and Compliance

The Supervisors will comply with the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics and any applicable state statutes and federal regulations. Supervisors serve as public servants and have an obligation for all decisions to be made solely on the basis and desire to promote the best interest of the University and protect the University from undue influence by external persons or bodies.

Section 8. Removal of Board Members

The Board conforms to Article X, Section 24 of the Louisiana State Constitution regarding removal of its members.

ARTICLE VIII. AUTHORITY OF THE PRESIDENT

Section 1. Grant of Authority By Board to President

- A. The President is authorized to take any action not expressly required to be presented to the Board by these Bylaws and not otherwise required by law, contract, or agreement to be acted upon by the Board. The President is authorized to take action deemed in the best interest of the University.
- B. The President additionally is authorized to delegate to Chancellors or such other officials as the President may designate authority vested in the President when the President deems it to be in the best interests of the University and consistent with the provisions and purposes of this Article. All such delegations shall be made in writing, with formal prior timely written notice to the Board. All prior delegations of such authority not inconsistent with this Article shall remain in effect until amended or supplemented by the President or the Board.

Section 2. Matters Requiring Approval by the President

The following matters shall require approval by the President or a University Officer designated by the President, regardless of any delegations of authority otherwise provided for in these Bylaws or the Regulations of the Board. No such matter shall be undertaken or approved by or for any campus or the University without prior review by appropriate University Officers and formal approval by the President or a University Officer to whom the President has expressly delegated such authority in writing.

A. Servitudes

Agreements to provide servitudes, rights of passage, and similar encumbrances to immovable property owned or controlled by the Board. If the President, in consultation with the Chair and Chair-Elect and the chair of the relevant Board committee, determines that a particular servitude raises significant fiscal or policy issues, the President shall cause the matter to be submitted to the Board for consideration. **Delegation:** The President may, by policy memorandum, establish a process for review of temporary servitudes and similar rights of use and approval by the Chancellors or other officials where: (i) the servitude is for a term that does not exceed five (5) years; and (ii) the servitude is for five (5) acres of land or less; provided further that if the temporary

D. Capital Improvements

Any contract or series of related contracts for the construction, renovation, or other capital improvement of buildings or other immovable property of the Board for which Board approval is not required. **Delegation:** The President may, by policy memorandum, establish a process for review of such projects and approval by the Chancellors or other officials where: (i) the projected

act or act under private signature duly acknowledged, appoint one or more agents to exercise the rights and authority provided by these Bylaws and this subsection K.

- F. The President shall establish and maintain lines of communication with the Chancellor of each campus. The channel for official communications between the President and the various campuses

ARTICLE X. RIGHTS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ACADEMIC STAFF

Section 1. Duties of Academic Staff

ARTICLE XI. AMENDMENT OR REPEAL OF BYLAWS

New bylaws may be adopted, and bylaws may be amended or repealed, at any meeting of the Board, but no such action shall be taken unless notice of such proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal shall have been given at a previous meeting or notice in writing of the proposed change shall have been served upon each member of the Board at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance of the final vote upon such change, provided, however, that by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the entire membership of the Board, the

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