mentioned that this is a similar deliverable for the CASC grant except that the alumni should be working in the field of climate science. Dr. Bui and Rabalais were mentioned as having expertise with this subject and could possibly lead this effort.

• The Society for Women in Marine Sciences is establishing a new chapter at LSU.

Funding Opportunities:

• CC&E anticipates being awarded a two-year, \$180,000 grant from the National Climate Adaptation Science Center and Regional Climate Adaptation Science Centers Fellows Program to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion in climate science. As a partner site, we will provide undergraduate summer research experiences for representatives from underrepresented communities; implement development awards to increase the preparation of undergraduate and graduate students in climate science; and host visiting scholars from Historically Black College and Universities to facilitate technology transfer, new climate science initiatives, and support student development. The idea of establishing a summer teacher institute for environmental sciences has also been discussed.

- Kathe was asked to share funding opportunities (grants) with the group as she receives them.
- The Gulf Scholars Program was briefly discussed.
- Funding such as creating an endowment like Bridge to the Doctorate was discussed.

Faculty Diversity:

• We discussed the opportunity to nominate individuals from historically underrepresented communities to serve as adjunct faculty in each department. The departments may have different hiring criteria but typically the hiring process includes a seminar and a letter explaining the person's qualifications and proposed involvement (grant collaboration, etc.). The term may vary from department to department. Faculty from Southern University and regional universities could be considered for these positions.

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