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SUBJECT: Campus Realignments

DATE: February 26, 2017

FOR BOARD ACTION:

Recommendation: Based upon the analysis of budget stabilization plans provided by college chancellors and directors, staff recommends that the Board approve the following college campus and instructional site realignments for the efficient administration and delivery of instructional and workforce training effective July 1, 2017, or as soon as possible thereafter, with all funds, obligations, property, personnel, programs, facilities and functions:

- 1. The South Central Louisiana Technical College (LTC)-Reserve Campus is to be realigned with River Parishes Community College.
- 2. The South Central Louisiana Technical College (LTC)-Lafourche Campus and affiliated education center located in Galliano is to be realigned with Fletcher Technical Community College.
- 3. The South Central Louisiana Technical (LTC)-Young Memorial Campus, including the affiliated marine training extension campus, is to be realigned with South Louisiana Community College.
- 4. The Fletcher Technical Community College-Louisiana Marine Petroleum Institute (LAMPI) is to be realigned with South Louisiana Community College with sale rights afforded Fletcher Technical Community College regarding the potential sale of a portion of the campus upon final approval by the Board.
- 5. The Northwest Louisiana Technical College (LTC)-Natchitoches Campus is to be realigned with Central Louisiana Technical Community College.
- 6. The Northwest Louisiana Technical College (LTC)-Sabine Valley Campus is to be realigned with Central Louisiana Technical Community College.
- 7. The Central Louisiana Technical Community College-Oakdale Campus is to be realigned with SOWELA Technical Community College.
- 8. The Baton Rouge Community College-Westside Campus is to be realigned with the River Parishes Community College.

Any student enrolled in a program or course of study at the above realigned campuses and instructional sites, prior to the realignment, shall be permitted to complete such program or course of study at no greater cost than those applicable to the student prior to the realignment of such campuses, not to exceed a period of two years ending on July 1, 2019, provided all applicable aid and scholarships are first applied to the student's cost of attendance.

All impacted college leaders are to provide communication plans to the Board at the May 2017 meeting strategies and plans for the successful realignment of campuses and instructional sites factoring, at a minimum, such issues as personnel, budgets/finances, facilities, student tuition/fees, definition of timely progress towards completing a program or course of study, and notification plans for U.S. Department of Education and Veteran Affairs, and accreditation.

Background: As a relatively young organization, the LCTCS has always sought to establish linkages and organizational structures for the more efficient delivery of instructional learning and in response to workforce training needs. During this time, there have been large natural disasters which have impacted population demographics and changes in workforce training needs. The proposed campus realignments are being offered with this in mind. The implementation of a single instance of a comprehensive information system, Banner, will facilitate these transitions while technological advances in the last few years will facilitate general educational offerings in addition to existing campus technical offerings. The proposed campus realignments will accomplish the following:

- 1. The Reserve and Westside Campus realignments to River Parishes Community College will align these campuses under one financially strong college along the Mississippi River industrial corridor in providing process technology and affiliated training to the petrochemical industry.
- 2. The Lafourche Campus (located within five miles from Fletcher Technical Community College) and the Galliano education center, will allow for the greater delivery of transferable general education courses to those areas.
- 3. The Young Memorial and LAMPI Campus realignment to South Louisiana Community College, a college with healthy financial reserves, will allow for the delivery of transferable general education programs in the Morgan City area while strengthening the marine training offerings of the campus through the marine resources afforded through the LAMPI campus.
- 4. The Natchitoches and Sabine Valley Campus realignments to Central Louisiana Technical Community College will provide for the delivery of transferable general education courses and linkages to Northwestern State University while building on their technical offerings.
- 5. The Oakdale Campus realignment with SOWELA Technical Community College will align the campus under one financially strong college and provide the area in and around Oakdale the training focus required by the regional economy with the expansion of the industrial sector around the southwestern part of the state.

Fiscal Impact: Anticipated savings are undeterminable at this time.

History of Prior Actions: The Board took action at the March 2006 meeting to realign the former Louisiana Technical College campuses of the New Orleans region with Delgado Community College. Legislative acts have also consolidated former technical college campuses with Baton Rouge Community College, South Louisiana Community College and Louisiana Delta Community College.

Benefits to System: Approval of these realignments will more closely align campuses and instructional sites to colleges that represent the geographic and workforce demand areas of the state, building upon existing career and technical education while offering more transferable general education opportunities to the citizens of the state.

Approved for Recommendation to the Board

Dr. Monty Sullivan, President

3-8-17

Date