**Minutes**

**Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) Advisory Board**

**September 7, 2017**

The Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) Advisory Board met on Thursday, September 7, 2017, at 10:45 a.m. in the 6th Floor Conference Room of the Galvez Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Chairman Ann Smith called the meeting to order and the roll was called.

**LOSFA Advisory Board Members Present Staff Members Present**

Amy Cable Dr. Sujuan Boutté

MaryAnn Coleman Rhonda Bridevaux

Denise LaTour Alice T. Brown

Brooks Powell Dr. Tireka Cobb

Ann A. Smith Kelvin Deloch

 Jack Hart

 Carol Fulco

 Robyn Lively

 Deborah Paul

 Gus Wales

**LOSFA Advisory Board Members Absent**

John Condos

Shan Davis

Armond Duncan

Amy Marix

Michael Murphy

**Visitors Present**

Leif Pedersen

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Five members were present, which did not represent a quorum**.**

Staff provided the Advisory Board members with updates on the following programs: START Saving Program, LOSFA Field Outreach for Statewide, Concentrated and Intensive Services, Go Grant, John R. Justice Program and TOPS.

**On motion of Ms. LaTour, seconded by Mrs. Coleman, the LOSFA Advisory Board members voted to go into an Executive Committee session to approve the action items on the agenda.**

The following members of the Executive Committee were present: Chairman Smith, Mr. Powell, and Ms. Coleman. Chairman Smith temporarily appointed Ms. Cable and Ms. LaTour.

**On motion of Mr. Powell seconded by Ms. Cable, the LOSFA Advisory Board approved the minutes from the July 13, 2017 meeting.**

 Under New Business, it was proposed that the Advisory Board consider technical corrections to the Scholarship and Grant Program Administrative Rules.

**On motion of Ms. Coleman, seconded by Ms. Cable, the LOSFA Advisory Board recommends that the Board of Regents authorize the Executive Director of LOSFA**

**to publish notice of intent to make these rules permanent.**

It was proposed that the Advisory Board consider the attached requests for exception to the TOPS regulatory provisions that require students to enroll full-time, to remain continuously enrolled, and to earn the required credit hours during the academic year.

**On motion of Ms. LaTour seconded by Mr. Powell the LOSFA Advisory Board unanimously recommends that the Board of Regents approve the requests for Devon (721646), Caroline (718455), Kristian (629957), Ivan (721824), Marie-Claude (721684), Madison (651401), Destiny (633446), Eva (751232), Madison (701861), Savannah (660871), Boris (664667), Kaleb (755946), Kayla (681213), Dane (646116), Shelly (640633), David (656500), Victoria (751126), and Joseph (686735).**

There being no further business, Ms. Coleman made a motion to adjourn at 12:18 p.m. and Ms. Cable seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.