**Minutes**

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

**January 11, 2018**

The Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) Advisory Board met on Thursday, January 11, 2018, at 10:48 a.m. in the Oliver Pollock 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**

**Present Staff Members**

MaryAnn Coleman Dr. Sujuan Boutté

Shan Davis Rhonda Bridevaux

Amy Marix Alice T. Brown

Brooks Powell Kelvin Deloch

Ann A. Smith Carol Fulco

Jack Hart

 Robyn Lively

 Deborah Paul

 Gus Wales

**LOSFA Advisory Board Members Absent**

Amy Cable

John Condos

Armond Duncan

Denise LaTour\*

Michael Murphy

Carol Pool

*\*Joined meeting as set forth in the minutes.*

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Five members were present, which did not represent a quorum. Ms. LaTour joined via conference call and a quorum was established.

**On motion of Ms. Coleman, seconded by Ms. Davis, the LOSFA Advisory Board approved the minutes from the December 7, 2017 meeting.**

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

Under Old Business, it was proposed that the Advisory Board consider publication of final rule to make technical corrections to the Scholarship and Grant Program Administrative Rules.

**On motion of Mr. Powell, seconded by Ms. Coleman, the LOSFA Advisory Board recommend that the Board of Regents authorize publication of the final rule.**

Under New Business, it was proposed that the Advisory Board consider five (5) requests for exception to the TOPS regulatory provisions that require students to remain continuously enrolled and to earn the annual credit hours required during the academic year.

**On motion of Ms. Coleman seconded by Ms. Marix, the LOSFA Advisory Board recommends that the Board of Regents approve the requests for Trey (656175), Madeline (652730), Maggie (743583), Megan (614598), and Kiandria (644720).**

There being no further business, Ms. Davis made a motion to adjourn at 11:40 p.m. and Mr. Powell seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.