**Minutes**

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

**October 5, 2017**

The Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) Advisory Board met on Thursday, October 5, 2017, at 10:45 a.m. in the Oliver Pollock 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**

MaryAnn Coleman Dr. Sujuan Boutté

Armond Duncan Rhonda Bridevaux

Amy Marix Alice T. Brown

Michael Murphy Kelvin Deloch

Carol Pool Carol Fulco

Ann A. Smith Jack Hart

 Robyn Lively

 Deborah Paul

**LOSFA Advisory Board Members Absent**

Amy Cable

John Condos

Shan Davis\*

Denise LaTour\*

Brooks Powell\*

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

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Sujuan Boutté, Ed.D.

Executive Director

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Six members were present, which did 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.

Ms. Davis, Ms. LaTour and Mr. Powell arrived during program updates.

Under New Business, 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. Marix seconded by Ms. Davis, the LOSFA Advisory Board unanimously recommends that the Board of Regents approve the requests for Hayden (755977), Geneisha (626194), Baylie (742412), Jonea (643086), Demiaya (627652), Regyne (639095), Madeline (771390), Jessica (742166), Kei’Sharra (649105), Tanner (639212), and Sean (671190).**

It was proposed that the Advisory Board consider recommending that Section 703 of the Scholarship and Grant Program Rules be amended to add Korean as an acceptable foreign language for the TOPS Core Curriculum for students graduating from high school in 2018 and later.

**On motion of Ms. LaTour, seconded by Ms. Coleman, 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.**

There being no further business, Ms. Marix made a motion to adjourn at 11:59 a.m. and Ms. Pool seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.