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

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The Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA) Advisory Board met on Thursday, January 13, 2022, at 10:35 am via virtual platform due to COVID-19 restrictions implemented through Executive Order. Chair MaryAnn Coleman called the meeting to order and the roll was called.

LOSFA Advisory Board Members Present

Present
 Barrye Bailey
 Dr. Amy Cable
 MaryAnn Coleman
 Kristi Lawson
 Sharmain Lazard-Talbert*
 Brooks Powell**
 Kevin Taylor-Jarrell, II

Staff Members

Dr. Sujuan Boutté
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 Terri Underwood

LOSFA Advisory Board Members Absent

Dr. Leroy Davis
 Dr. Jim Henderson
 Amy Marix

**Joined during Introductions and Announcements*
*** Joined during Program Updates*

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

Ms. Coleman called the meeting into Executive Committee in accordance with the agenda.

Three members of the Executive Committee were present. Ms. Coleman temporarily appointed Ms. Bailey and Mr. Taylor-Jarrell, II to the Executive Committee and a quorum was established.

Under Introductions and Announcements, LOSFA introduced a new team member, Kristin Brandon, TOPS Eligibility and Renewal Specialist. Ms. Lazard-Talbert joined during the Introductions and Announcements.

On motion of Ms. Bailey, seconded by Dr. Cable, the LOSFA Advisory Board approved the minutes from the November 10, 2021, meeting of the LOSFA Advisory Board.

Staff provided the Advisory Board members with updates on the following programs: Louisiana Savings Programs, Public Information and Communications, LOSFA Student Engagement, LOSFA GEAR UP/Field Outreach Services, BESE Tuition Program for Teachers, GO Grant, John R. Justice Program, TOPS, and the GO-Youth ChalleNGe Program.

Mr. Powell joined during Program Updates.

Under Old Business, it was proposed that the Advisory Board consider publication of final rule to amend Sections 103, 301, 509, 701, 703, 1203, 1403, 1501, 1701, 1807, 1901, 1903 and 2105 of the Scholarship and Grant Program rules to implement the provisions of Act 334 and Act 95 of the 2021 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature.

On motion of Ms. Bailey, seconded by Ms. Lazard-Talbert, 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 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. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Bailey, the LOSFA Advisory Board recommended that the Louisiana Board of Regents approve the requests for Kennedi (897482) and Grace (792947).

There being no further business, Dr. Cable made a motion to adjourn at 11:28 a.m., which was seconded by Ms. Lawson.