

INTERIM EMERGENCY BOARD

Minutes of Meeting July 18, 2013

A public meeting of the Interim Emergency Board was held in House Committee Room 3 on July 18, 2013, at 9:30 a.m.

ITEM NO. 1

Sen. John Alario, board chair, called the meeting to order at 9:31am and asked that the secretary call the roll.

Present:

- Sen. John Alario, President of the Senate and IEB Chairman
- Rep. Helena Moreno, proxy for Speaker of the House of Representatives Chuck Kleckley, IEB Vice Chair
- Ms. Kristy Nichols, Commissioner of Administration
- Sen. Greg Tarver, proxy for Sen. Jack Donahue, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee
- Rep. Jim Fannin, Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee
- Mr. Randy Davis, proxy for Lt. Governor Jay Dardenne

ITEM NO. 2

Sen. Alario said there had been a typo in the original draft of the minutes sent out, but it had been corrected and incorporated into the minutes presented for board approval. Sen. Tarver moved to approve the minutes as corrected; second by Rep. Fannin. The motion passed with no objection.

At the February meeting, Sen Alario explained, the board had approved 20 priority changes in Act 23 of 2012 and nine scope changes—one for a project in Act 27 of 2006, one project in Act 21 of 2010, one project in Act 22 of 2011, and six projects in Act 23 of 2012. All items received the required legislative ratification.

He also pointed out that item 4-3 had been withdrawn and removed from the agenda for consideration.

Sen. Alario said he understood that the Division of Administration had two items to add to the day's agenda and asked Mr. John Davis, Director of Facility Planning & Control (FP&C), to come forward. The two items Mr. Davis requested to be added were both scope changes and included:

- Port of South Louisiana – Warehouse, Planning and Construction (St. John)

- Southeastern Louisiana University – Computer Science and Technology Improvements and Expansion, Planning and Construction (Tangipahoa)

Mr. Henson moved to add the two items to the agenda; second by Rep. Fannin. The motion passed with no objection.

ITEM NO. 3

Next item for consideration was a request by the First NBC Bank, New Orleans that they be approved as a state depository/fiscal agent for the State of Louisiana. The application had been reviewed and approved by the State Treasury via a letter dated June 26, 2013. Mr. Henson made a motion to approve the request; second by Rep. Fannin. The motion passed with no objection.

ITEM NO. 4

Mr. Davis explained that this item was a request from the Office of Facility Planning and Control that a total of \$100,000 in Priority 2 be moved up to Priority 1 in the following two projects to reflect line of credit actions of the State Bond Commission in June 2013 that were done for Fiscal Year 2013 subsequent to enrollment of House Bill 2 of 2013:

- 4-1** General obligation bond appropriation for Secretary of State, “Chennault Aviation and Military Museum Hangar Building and Equipment, Planning and Construction” (04/139-2050 on page 17 [FPC Project No. 04-139-09-01]) – move \$50,000. Mr. Henson moved to approve Item 4-1 as requested; second by Sen. Tarver. The motion passed with no objection.
- 4-2** General obligation bond appropriation for Livingston Parish, “Livingston Parish Regional Airport, Planning and Construction” (05/J32-928 on page 73 [FPC Project No. 50-J32-09-01]) – move \$50,000. Rep. Moreno moved to approve Item 4-2 as requested; second by Rep. Fannin. The motion passed with no objection.

ITEM NO. 5

John Davis explained that the Port of South Louisiana had submitted a request that the scope of the description of its project in Act 24 of 2013 (36/P21-1005 on page 59 of [FPC No. 36-P12-12-01]) in the amount of \$100,000 Priority 1 general obligation bond funding for the Warehouse, Planning and Construction be adjusted as provided for in R.S. 39:461.9 to change the title of the project to “Warehouse and Property Acquisition and Improvements, Planning and Construction” and allow the port to purchase an existing warehouse located on ten acres of land and ten acres of additional land instead of constructing a new warehouse on existing land. Because the acquisition will ultimately cost less than the current project scope, the port would like to use the remaining funds to construct a warehouse addition on Building 19. The property is adjacent to existing port property. Mr. Davis said that DOA recommended the change.

Rep. Fannin moved to approve; second by Rep. Moreno. The motion passed with no objection.

ITEM NO. 6

Southeastern Louisiana University submitted a request that the scope of the description of its project in Act 24 of 2013 (19/634-17 on page 51 [FPC No. 19-634-07B-02]) in the amount of \$3,100,000 Priority 1 general obligation bond funding and \$17,000,000 Priority 5 general obligation bond funding for the Computer Science and Technology Facility Improvements and Expansion, Planning and Construction be adjusted according to the provisions of R.S. 39:461.9 to allow the University to construct the new building at the southeastern corner of the main campus instead of the original site adjacent to the main campus. Mr. Davis said the Board of Regents had agreed with the request, and he wanted to get legislative blessing for the project as well.

Mr. Fannin asked what the purpose was for moving the building. Mr. Davis explained that the university had done a master plan update that called for this being a better location for the new building. Because a lot of design work had already been done, there could be a little delay to the project, but it was hoped that it would only be a small delay if any. He added that everyone was in agreement with this change. Rep. Moreno moved approval; second by Rep. Fannin. The motion passed with no objection.

With no further business to conduct, at 9:40am Sen. Alario motioned that the meeting be adjourned by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,



Sue Israel, Secretary

Attachments: State Depository/Fiscal Agent and Capital Outlay documentation
(21 pages)