

SECTION V. DUTIES, POWERS AND FUNCTIONS

- A. General Duties. It shall be the function of the Board to establish and maintain in each college and university the highest quality of instruction, research, and service.
- B. General Statement of Administrative Policy. The Board shall determine broad administrative and educational policies for the conduct of all Board, System, and institutional affairs and it shall provide for the execution of its policies by the System President and by the institution presidents.
- C. Other Duties, Powers, and Functions. In its supervision and management of the institutions under its administration, the Board shall have authority to (from R.S. 17:3351):
1. sue and be sued, including the right to recover all debts owed to the Board or to any institution under its management, and to retain legal counsel;
 2. actively seek and accept donations, bequests, or other forms of financial assistance for educational purposes from any public or private person or agency and to comply with rules and regulations governing grants from the federal government or any other person or agency not in contravention of the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana;
 3. receive and expend or allocate for expenditure to the institutions under its jurisdiction all monies appropriated or otherwise made available for purposes of the Board and/or the institutions under its jurisdiction;
 4. borrow money and issue notes, bonds, or certificates of indebtedness for the same and pledge fees, rents, and revenues to guarantee payment thereof, in accordance with law and with approval of the State Bond Commission;
 5. determine the fees which shall be paid by students and maintain in the System office, as a public record available on request, a current schedule of such charges;
 6. purchase land and purchase or construct buildings necessary for the use of its institutions in accordance with applicable laws;
 7. purchase equipment and properly maintain and make improvements to facilities necessary for the use of its institutions in accordance with applicable laws;
 8. lease land or other property belonging to it or to any of the institutions within its System in accordance with law;
 9. sell or exchange land or other property not needed for institutional purposes in accordance with law;
 10. employ or approve employment, fix or approve salaries, fix or approve the duties and functions of personnel for the System office and for its institutions, maintain in the System office, as a public record available on request, a current list of approved salaries;
 11. accept and approve curricula and programs of study;

12. adopt, amend, or repeal rules and regulations necessary or proper for the business of the Board and for the governance of the institutions under its jurisdiction;
13. adopt, amend, or repeal rules and regulations for the governance and discipline of students;
14. affiliate with any institution giving any special course of instruction upon such terms as the Board deems appropriate, which terms may include the retention by such institution of the control of property, faculty, and staff;
15. award certificates, confer degrees and issue diplomas certifying the same, as well as adopt, amend, or repeal rules and regulations pertaining to the conferring of degrees; (Revised 2/24/95)
16. enter into contracts and agreements with other public agencies with respect to cooperative enterprises and undertakings relating to or associated with its institutions' purposes and programs;
17. perform such other functions as are necessary or incidental to the supervision and management of its institutions;
18. elect the heads of institutions as prescribed by law;
19. employ such technical and professional assistance as needed;
20. assign, designate, or determine the name of, or rename, any building under the jurisdiction of the Board;
21. assign, designate, or determine the name of, or rename, any institution or building under the jurisdiction of the Board, subject to statutory law;
22. adopt policies and rules authorizing institutions to develop and conduct courses of study for inmates and personnel at state correctional institutions;
23. encourage assistance to advance economic development in each institution's community;
24. periodically review and approve the University's mission, vision, and strategic direction, and approve plans for their attainment, implementation and evaluation; (Revised 1/11/19)
25. review and approve any action the Board deems necessary at the institutional level; and
26. perform other duties and actions as prescribed by law and/or deemed necessary for efficient operation of the System.