

DRAFT BOARD RESOLUTION

University of Louisiana System Board of Supervisors Resolution to Strengthen and Integrate Systemwide Operations through a Comprehensive Transformation Initiative

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the University of Louisiana System (“UL System”) will supervise and manage eight (8) member institutions effective July 1, 2026 — Grambling State University, Louisiana Tech University, McNeese State University, Nicholls State University, Northwestern State University, Southeastern Louisiana University, the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, and the University of Louisiana at Monroe; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the importance of continuously improving governance, coordination, and efficiency across the System to better serve students, faculty, staff, and the citizens of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the UL System has historically operated as a federation of autonomous institutions with distinct missions, policies, and technology platforms, and the Board now seeks to evaluate opportunities to more fully integrate operations, technology, academics, and athletics to enhance effectiveness, accountability, and sustainability; and

WHEREAS, the Board affirms its commitment to advancing the UL System as a cohesive and vertically integrated higher education enterprise that maximizes shared strengths and resources while honoring the missions of its member institutions; and

WHEREAS, the University of Louisiana System unites eight institutions (effective July 1, 2026) with a shared commitment to transforming lives through education and preparing its students to lead, serve, and elevate our state. We deliver high-quality learning, align academic programs with industry demands, and drive innovation that strengthens Louisiana’s communities and fuels economic growth statewide and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the envisioned transformation will include assessing the feasibility of:

1. Aligning enterprise resource planning (ERP) and learning management systems (LMS) to enable real-time financial, academic, and operational reporting;
2. Creating shared services for finance, human resources, payroll, procurement, travel, and other administrative functions;
3. Implementing a common academic framework and course numbering system to facilitate cross-campus enrollment and student mobility; and
4. Advancing long-term financial sustainability of athletics programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs the System President to:

1. Conduct preliminary due diligence on the feasibility, costs, and benefits of transforming the UL System into a fully integrated, data-driven university system;

2. Establish a *System Integration and Transformation Task Force* composed of campus presidents, chief financial officers, chief information officers, provosts, athletic directors, and faculty and student representatives;
3. Engage qualified external consultants and technical partners, as necessary, to assist in evaluating existing structures, identifying opportunities for alignment, and recommending strategies to enhance coordination, efficiency, and systemwide effectiveness; and
4. Collaborate with the member institutions to collect relevant data, assess readiness, and propose implementation pathways consistent with Board policies and accreditation requirements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the System President shall present to the Board of Supervisors at its **January 2026 meeting** a report and recommended study plan outlining:

- The proposed scope, timeline, deliverables, and estimated costs of the transformation initiative;
- Governance and organizational considerations necessary to support a vertically integrated system model; and
- A roadmap for further Board action to advance this transformation in alignment with the System's mission and strategic priorities.

Adopted this 13th day of November, 2025