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DATE: August 20, 2018
SUBJECT: Report on Strategic Sustainability and Growth Initiative 3B
Faculty Expertise and Technology

APPROVED

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LCTCS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

FOR BOARD INFORMATION

Background: In March 2017, the Board approved the Strategic Sustainability and Growth Plan aimed at ensuring the sustainability and growth of colleges.

At the request of the Board of Supervisors, the LCTCS staff, Chief Academic Officers, and Chief Workforce Officers reviewed the Strategic Sustainability and Growth Plan initiative 3B to make strategic investments in our people and technology and agreed that faculty peer groups from LCTCS colleges would convene beginning Summer 2017.

Many LCTCS faculty peer groups meet quarterly to address a common goal: expanding the reach of our instructional capabilities and offerings. These meetings establish a peer support system for mentoring and collaboration, a network to share best practices, and a new means to elevate faculty needs to the college system leaderships. Examples of on-going and accomplished projects include:

- Process Technology (PTEC) – Developed statewide curriculum to be used across all LCTCS programs offering PTEC
Math/English- Will form subcommittee to review the next-generation ACCUPLACER placement tests
Teaching 1-5 – Formed a statewide committee to work with the Board of Regents on new teacher competencies

On Thursday, September 27, 2018, and Friday, September 28, 2018, during the LCTCS Annual Conference, these faculty groups will meet in person to continue their work.

Additional strategic investments in our people includes:

- The Master Teacher Seminar, which helps instructors with identifying and adapting best practices in the classroom with focus on increasing student success.
- The Louisiana Leadership Academy with a focus on rural campus leaders, which supports the system's Rural Campus initiative to prepare employees to serve as future leaders as well as better prepare current leaders in service to our colleges.
- The President's Award for Teaching Excellence to recognize excellence in teaching in Louisiana's community and technical colleges.

**History of Prior Actions:** The Board approved the initial plan recommendations at the March 2017 meeting and is provided with an annual update.

**Fiscal Impact:** TBD

**Benefits to the System:** Leveraging existing faculty expertise will result in newfound efficiencies.

  
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**Approved for Recommendation to the Board**  
**Dr. Monty Sullivan**

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