

**University of Louisiana at Monroe  
Research Council  
Minutes**

**August 11, 2008  
Room 622, ULM Library**

**Meeting Began ca. 1:10 p.m.**

**Members Present**

Stephen Fox  
*Don Smith*

Carl Kogut  
*Flannetta Gibson*

Belinda Morgan

Ann Findley

In regard to (2.), GS pointed out that ULM is currently "voiceless" – having no representation on committees dealing with statewide research funding. He inferred that attaining such representation should be a ULM priority

In regard to (3.), GS cited a case where one of his colleagues had waited 8-9 months for approval to hire research personnel, at which point his grant had run out. AF pointed out that for longer term appointments involving benefits (such as Post-Docs) approval was required from Baton Rouge and the Board of Regents (BoR) because "it's the law." DS and KC informed that temporary personnel fulfilling the "contract labor option" are