

**SPECIAL MEETING**  
Southern University Board of Supervisors  
1:30 p.m.  
Friday, December 18, 2008  
Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J. S. Clark Administration Building  
Southern University - Baton Rouge

**MINUTES**

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Mr. Myron K. Lawson.

**PRESENT**

Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Chair  
Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery, Vice Chair  
Mr. Johnny G. Anderson  
Mr. Patrick W. Bell  
Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry  
Atty. Tony M. Clayton  
Mr. Walter Guidry  
Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson  
Mr. Jamal A. Taylor  
Mr. Achilles Williams

**ABSENT**

Atty. Dale N. Atkins  
Mr. Richard J. Caiton  
Atty. Warren A. Forstall  
Atty. Patrick D. Magee  
Mr. Louis Miller  
Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.

**ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL ATTENDING**

President Ralph Slaughter  
Vice Presidents Kassie Freeman, Napoleon Moses, and Tolor White  
Chancellors Ray Belton, Kofi Lomotey, Freddie Pitcher, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey Williams

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Atty. Winston DeCuir, Board Counsel

**AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Taylor, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Dr. Diola Bagayoko, Director of the Timbuktu Academy on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus, reported that the Baton Rouge Campus has systematically lost millions of dollars in grant funding due to the absence of institution's productive in the research and development area. According to Dr. Bagayoko, had the funds from the grants been in place, they could have helped to alleviate the financial situation the institution now faces from State mandated budget reductions.

Dr. Bagayoko also requested the Board's endorsements of faculty salaries increases.

**AGENDA ITEM 5: WAIVER OF 10 - DAY NOTICE REQUIRED FOR SPECIAL BOARD MEETINGS**

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Bell, the Board voted to waive the ten-day notice required for Special meetings.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: ACTION OF RECOMMENDED STATE MANDATED BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS, ANY ASSOCIATED ACTIONS THAT MAY BE REQUIRED**

On motion of Atty. Clayton, seconded by Atty. Jefferson,

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System that the Budget reduction plan for \$6,957,331, for the Southern University System Board and System that is to be shared by each Campus, as described by the Campus Head and System President be and it is hereby approved.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President be and he is hereby authorized to meet with the Campus Heads and finalize the plan and submit it to the Board of Regents and appropriate State Divisions.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that in the event a situation arises where Board approval is required, that Chair-elect and members of the Executive Committee be and they are hereby empowered to ratify the required action.

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Motion carried unanimously.

The budget reductions for the Southern University entities for this fiscal year are as follows:

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| SUBR                | \$3,995,423 |
| SUNO                | \$1,177,625 |
| SULC                | \$ 562,080  |
| SUSLA               | \$ 632,683  |
| SUAREC              | \$ 312,413  |
| SU Board and System | \$ 277,105  |

**AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the meeting was adjourned.

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Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

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Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors