

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Friday, February 29, 2008

Southern University at Shreveport Metro Center

3rd Floor Multi Media Rooms 310 & 311

Shreveport, LA

ITEM 6A

MINUTES

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Myron K. Lawson. The invocation was given by Rev. Tolbert.

PRESENT

Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Chairman

Mr. Johnny G. Anderson

Atty. Dale N. Atkins

Mr. Richard J. Caiton

Atty. Tony M. Clayton

Mrs. Mary R. Doucet

Atty. Warren A. Forstall

Mr. Herman L. Hartman, Sr.

Mr. Louis Miller

Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.

Ms. Afi C. Patterson

Rev. Samuel Tolbert

Ms. E. Jean Ware

Mr. Achilles Williams

ABSENT

Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery, Vice Chair

Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ralph Slaughter

System Vice President Kassie Freeman and Assistant Vice President Gloria Matthews,
representing Vice President Tolor White

Chancellors Ray Belton, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey Williams;

Interim Chancellor Margaret Ambrose; Vice Chancellor John Pierre, representing
Chancellor Freddie Pitcher

BOARD COUNSEL

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr.

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Hartman, the agenda was adopted.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT, SUSLA

Highlights of the Respiratory Therapy program on the Southern University - Shreveport Campus were presented for the Board's information.

AGENDA ITEM 5: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 6: ACTION ITEMS

- A. Minutes of the January 4, 2008 Regular Board Meeting and minutes of the January 18 and 25, 2008 Legal Counsel Select Committee Meetings

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Atty. Clayton,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A&M College System, that the minutes of the January 4, 2008 regular Board Meeting and minutes of the January 18 and 25, 2008 Legal Counsel Select Committee meetings be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Committee Reports and Recommendations

1.) **Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

On motion of Mrs. Doucet, seconded by Ms. Ware, the following resolutions were approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A&M College System, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, that the following requests from Southern University - Baton Rouge be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 1.) Merge into a single department the graduate program in Speech - Language Pathology in the College of Education and the Department of Speech - Language and Audiology in the College of Sciences;
- 2.) Name the reorganized department the Department of Speech-Language Pathology, offering both undergraduate and graduate degrees; and
- 3.) Locate the new Department of Speech - Language Pathology in the College of Sciences, effective, July 1, 2008.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A&M College System, that the resolutions establishing: (1.) The Reilly Family Endowed Professorship in Law; and (2.) The Rosalie Guidry Daste Endowed Professorship in Urban Education in the Southern University System Foundation be and they are hereby approved.

2.) Executive Committee

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Mr. Miller, the following resolution was approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A&M College System, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, that the request from Professor Arthur Stallworth (SULC) for a hearing on the appeal of his grievance be and it is hereby denied.

Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Caiton and Atty. Clayton voted nay.

3.) Facilities and Property Committee

On motion of Mr. Nash, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the following resolutions were approved.

Motion carried unanimously. Atty. Clayton voted nay.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A&M College System, upon the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee, that the request from the Southern University - Shreveport Administration to negotiate a lease for space located at 600 Texas Street, adjacent to the Metro Center in Shreveport, to house the School of Nursing Program be and it is hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A&M College System, upon the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee, that the proposal submitted by the Southern University - New Orleans Administration for construction of a College of Business and Public Administration Connection Building be and it is hereby approved.

The facility will house critical University Academic Program - B.S. in Business Entrepreneurship; B.S. in Management Information Systems; B.A. in Public Administration; and M.S. in Management Information Systems.

The building will also provide basic office space for Southern University - New Orleans' Small Business Development and Management Institute and a pedestrian connector leading from the Health and Physical Education Building on the Park (South) Campus to a new College of Business Building on the Lake (North) Campus.

A substitute motion by Atty. Clayton to delay action on this item died for lack of a second.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A&M College System, upon the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee, that the authorization be and it is hereby granted to the Administration to bid and contract the following Small Capital Projects:

- The Agricultural Center's Farm Services Building located at the Experiment Laboratory Farm near Baker, La. The building will consist of 1800 square feet and is estimated to cost \$175,000. Work on the project is expected to begin on April 15, 2008 and to be completed on September 15, 2008.
- The Frank Hayden Renovation Project located on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus. The project will consist of correcting safety violations, increasing security and providing for academic program enhancements required for maintaining accreditation. Estimated cost of the project is \$250,000. The project work is anticipated to begin on May 1, 2008 and to be completed on October 1, 2008.
- The Student Health Center addition located on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus. The addition will provide increased space to address student health needs on the campus. Estimated project cost is

\$350,000. The project construction is expected to begin on August 1, 2008 and to be completed on April 1, 2009.

4.) Finance and Audit Committee

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Nash, the following resolution was approved.

Motion carried unanimously. Atty. Clayton voted nay.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A&M College System, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that the request from the Southern University - Shreveport Campus to increase the current Summer School fee of \$350.00 by \$200.00 over the next two years be and it is hereby approved.

The first increase of \$100.00 will be implemented for the Summer 2008 Session and the second \$100.00 increase will be effective Summer Session 2009.

The increase will apply only to full-time students and will be used to address long-term inequities in the Summer Session fee charged at Southern University - Shreveport, Bossier Parish Community College and Grambling State University. Funding from the increase will enable SUSLA to maximize self-generated resources in order to achieve its stated goals and mission.

5.) Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the following resolutions were approved.

Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Nash abstained.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the Southern University and A&M College System, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that the appointment of Ms. Renee Gill-Pratt as Director of Recruitment, Admissions and Retention at Southern University - New Orleans, effective retroactive to January 3, 2008 at a twelve-month salary of \$54,078.00 be and it is hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the Southern University and A&M College System, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that sabbatical leave for the Southern University - Baton Rouge Faculty members named below be and they are hereby approved.

- Dr. Pui-Man Lam (Professor of Physics) for the period of August-December 2008
- Dr. Albert Samuels (Associate Professor of Political Science) for the period of August 2008 - June 2009
- Dr. Ahmad A. Suleiman (Professor of Chemistry) for the period of August 2008 - June 2009.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the Southern University and A&M College System, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that Promotion and Five-Year Presumptive Renewal Contracts for Clinical and Legal Writing Faculty members named below be and they are hereby approved:

- Promotion from Managing Attorney to Associate Professor of Clinical Education, effective retroactive to August 21, 2007 at a nine-month salary of \$71,227.00 for the following Law Center Faculty:
 - Dorothy Jackson
 - Virginia Listach
 - Jacqueline Nash
- Promotion from Legal Writing Instructor to Associate Professor of Legal Analysis and Reading for the following Law Center Faculty:
 - Prentice White - effective retroactive to August 21, 2007 at a nine-month salary of \$72,900

- Linda Fowler - effective retroactive to August 21, 2007 at a nine-month salary of \$68,900

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the Southern University and A&M College System, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that the change in position title, "Dean for Academic Support" to "Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Support" at the Southern University Law Center be and it is hereby approved.

The change requires no new dollars and the person holding the current position will assume the new position title, effective immediately upon Board.

6.) Legal Affairs Committee

On motion of Mr. Caiton, seconded by Mrs. Doucet,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the Southern University and A&M College System, upon the recommendation of the Legal Affairs Committee, that the Committee's report be and it is hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

The report contained information considered by the Committee relative to legal protocol and structure for the Southern University System entities.

7.) Legal Counsel Select Committee

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Mr. Caiton, the names of the following law firms were submitted for the Board's consideration and action in the in selecting the Outside Legal Counsel for the Southern University Board and System entities.

Motion carried unanimously.

- Broussard Baloney
- DeCuir, Clark and Adams
- Godfrey and Schneider

A roll call produced the following vote:

- » Broussard Baloney - 1
- » DeCuir, Clark and Adams - 9
- » Godfrey and Schneider - 4

The DeCuir, Clark and Adams law firm was approved to serve as Outside Legal Counsel for the Board, System and Campus entities.

AGENDA ITEM C: RESOLUTIONS

Condolences

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System that condolences from the Board of Supervisors, Administration, Staff and Student Body be extended to families listed below:

- The Amos Jones, Jr. Family
- The Leonard H. O. Spearman Family
- The Winifred Singleton Family
- The Margaret Butler Family
- The Rupert F. Richardson Family
- The Lela Gordon Family
- The Frances A.W. Turner Family
- The Lynda Gasper Family
- The Marion White Family
- The Letria Catherine Washington Family
- The Hamid Omar Family
- The Clarence Raymond King, Sr. Family
- The Clarence Patterson, Jr. Family

AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

a. System and Campus Updates

During his report, System President Slaughter released the names of applicants, for the Chancellorship at the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus.

The Campus Chancellors' reports are on file in the Board's Office.

AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS

Atty. Clayton again noted the financially successful outcome resulting from the honor extended to Dallas Maverick Head Basketball Coach and SUBR Alum, Avery Johnson, following the retiring of his Southern University Basketball Jersey. Mr. Clayton suggested that extending this same approbation to other prominent athletes who are alumni of Southern University could enhance the University's fundraising efforts.

The Administration was requested to submit at the March meeting the University's protocol for retiring jerseys of its former athletes.

AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Hartman, seconded by Ms. Ware, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors

Academic and Student Affairs Committee
Friday, February 29, 2008
Southern University at Shreveport Metro Center
3rd Floor Multi Media Rooms 310 & 311
Shreveport, Louisiana

MINUTES

The meeting of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Johnny G. Anderson.

PRESENT

Mr. Johnny G. Anderson, Vice Chairman
Mrs. Mary Doucet
Mr. Herman Hartman, Sr.
Ms. Afi C. Patterson
Ms. E. Jean Ware
Mr. Achilles Williams
Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Ex officio

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr. - Chairman
Ms. Lea P. Montgomery

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ralph Slaughter
Vice Presidents Kassie Freeman; Assistant Vice President Gloria Matthews, representing
Vice President Tolor White
Chancellors Ray Belton, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey Williams; Interim Chancellor
Margaret Ambrose; Vice Chancellor John Pierre representing Chancellor Freddie
Pitcher

BOARD COUNSEL

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr.

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Ms. Patterson, seconded by Mr. Hartman, the agenda was adopted.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 5: PUBLIC COMMENTS

Twenty-five members of the SUNO student body attended the meeting to voice their dissatisfaction with the current campus leadership and the continued existence of deplorable physical conditions on the South Campus. Mr. Jamal Amedee, the SUNO Student Government President, served as spokesman for the students; and, Mrs. Avis White, President of the SUNO Alumni Association, distributed photos depicting the conditions of SUNO facilities and also called on the Board to provide new leadership at SUNO.

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS

a. Recommendation to merge and relocate Speech Pathology Programs, SUBR

On motion of Mrs. Doucet, seconded Mr. Williams, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the request from SUBR to -

1. Merge into a single department the graduate program in Speech-Language Pathology in the College of Education and the Department of Speech-Language and Audiology in the College of Sciences;
2. Name the reorganized department the Department of Speech-Language Pathology, offering both undergraduate and graduate degrees; Audiology will continue to be offered in the undergraduate program; and
3. Locate the Department of Speech-Language Pathology in the College of Sciences, effective July 1, 2008

Motion carried unanimously.

b. Resolutions to established Endowed Professorships

On motion of Mr. Hartman, seconded by Ms. Patterson, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, approval of the resolutions establishing: (1) the Reilly Family Endowed Professorship in Law; and (2) the Rosalie Guidry Daste Endowed Professorship in Urban Education in the Southern University System Foundation.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

Pursuant to the concerns expressed on behalf of the student body and alumni, Board Member Caiton requested that System President Slaughter send Mr. Endas Vincent, System Director of Facilities Planning, to the Southern University at New Orleans to view the current conditions of the campus facilities.

Atty. Clayton will also visit campus for this purpose.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Hartman, seconded by Ms. Ware, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors

Executive Committee
Friday, February 29, 2008
Southern University at Shreveport Metro Center
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Shreveport, Louisiana

MINUTES

The meeting of the Executive Committee was convened by the Chairman, Mr. Myron K. Lawson.

PRESENT

Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Chair
Atty. Tony M. Clayton
Mr. Johnny G. Anderson
Atty. Warren A. Forstall
Mr. Herman Hartman, Sr.
Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert
Ms. E. Jean Ware
Mr. Achilles Williams

ABSENT

Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery, Vice Chair
Rev. Jesse B Bilberry, Jr.

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ralph Slaughter
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Vice President Tolor White
Chancellors Ray Belton, Freddie Pitcher, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey
Williams; Interim Chancellor Margaret Ambrose

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr. - Legal Counsel

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Ms. Ware, the agenda was adopted.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

**AGENDA ITEM 5: REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE
REQUEST FROM PROFESSOR ARTHUR STALLWORTH
(SULC) FOR A HEARING OF HIS GRIEVANCE APPEAL
(EXECUTIVE SESSION)**

On motion of Mr. Hartman, seconded by Rev. Tolbert, the Committee convened into an executive session to consider Professor Arthur Stallworth's request for a hearing on the appeal of his grievance.

Motion carried unanimously. 8 yeas: Lawson, Clayton, Anderson, Forstall, Hartman, Tolbert, Ware, and Williams, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

- EXECUTIVE SESSION -

- RECONVENING -

On motion of Atty. Forstall, seconded by Rev. Tolbert, the Committee returned to open session.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 8 yeas: Lawson, Clayton, Anderson, Forstall, Hartman, Tolbert, Ware, and Williams; 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Atty. Forstall, the Committee recommends to the Board that the request from Professor Arthur Stallworth (SULC) for a hearing on the appeal of his grievance be denied.

Motion carried. Roll call vote: 7 yeas: Lawson, Anderson, Forstall, Hartman, Tolbert, Ware, and Williams; 1 nay: Clayton; 0 abstention

Atty. Clayton indicated that his nay vote was cast because in his opinion, Professor Stallworth should be given an opportunity to present his appeal to the Committee.

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

None.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Atty. Forstall, seconded by Rev. Tolbert, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEES

Friday, February 29, 2008

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Shreveport, LA

MINUTES

The meeting of the Facilities and Property Committee was convened by the Chairman, Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.

PRESENT

Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr. - Chairman
Mr. Louis Miller, Vice Chairman
Mr. Richard Caiton
Atty. Warren A. Forstall
Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert
Ms. Afi C. Patterson
Ms. E. Jean Ware
Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Ex-Officio

ABSENT

Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ralph Slaughter
System Vice President Kassie Freeman and Assistant Vice President Gloria Matthews,
representing Vice President Tolor White
Chancellors Ray Belton, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey Williams;
Interim Chancellor Margaret Ambrose Vice Chancellor John Pierre, representing
Chancellor Freddie Pitcher

BOARD COUNSEL

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr.

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Atty. Forstall, seconded by Ms. Patterson, the agenda was adopted.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS

A. Request to negotiate lease for space to house School of Nursing Program,
SUSLA

On motion of Mr. Caiton, seconded by Rev. Tolbert, the Committee recommends to the Board approval of the request from the SUSLA Administration to negotiate a lease for space located at 600 Texas Street, adjacent to the Metro Center in Shreveport, to house the School of Nursing Program.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. College of Business Connection Proposal, SUNO

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded Mr. Caiton, the Committee recommends to the Board approval of the proposal submitted by the SUNO Administration for the construction of a College of Business and Public Administration Connection Building.

Motion carried unanimously.

The facility will house four critical University Academic programs - B.S. in Business Entrepreneurship, B.S. in Management Information Systems, B.A. in Public Administration and M.S. in Management Information Systems. The building will also provide basic office space for SUNO's Small Business Development and Management Institute and a pedestrian connector leading from the Health and Physical Education Building on the Park (South) Campus to a new College of Business Building on the Lake (North) Campus.

C. Small Capital Outlay Projects

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Mr. Miller, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, authorization for the Administration to bid and construct the following Small Capital Outlay projects.

- The Agricultural Center's Farm Services Building located at the Experimental Laboratory Farm near Baker, LA. The building will consist of 1800 square feet and is estimated to cost \$175,000.

Work on the project is expected to begin on April 15, 2008 and to be completed on September 15, 2008.

- The Frank Hayden Renovation project located on the SUBR Campus. The project will consist of correcting safety violations, increasing security and providing for academic program enhancements required for maintaining accreditation. Estimated cost of the project is \$250,000. The project work is anticipated to begin on May 1, 2008 and to be completed on October 1, 2008.
- The Health Center addition located on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus will provide increased space to address student health needs on the Campus. Estimated project cost is \$350,000. The project construction is expected to begin on August 1, 2008 and to be completed on April 1, 2009.

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

Chancellor Ukpolo responded to questions, regarding the slow recovery of the north campus of Southern University at New Orleans.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Miller, seconded by Rev. Tolbert, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors

Finance and Audit Committee
Friday, February 29, 2008
Southern University at Shreveport Metro Center
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Shreveport, Louisiana

MINUTES

The meeting of the Finance and Audit Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Mr. Johnny G. Anderson.

PRESENT

Mr. Johnny G. Anderson - Chair
Ms. Mary R. Doucet
Mr. Herman L. Hartman, Sr.
Ms. Afi C. Patterson
Ms. E. Jean Ware
Mr. Achilles Williams
Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Ex officio

ABSENT

Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery, Vice Chair

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ralph Slaughter
Vice Presidents Kassie Freeman; Assistant Vice President Gloria Matthews, representing
Vice President Tolor White
Chancellors Ray Belton, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey Williams; Interim Chancellor Margaret
Ambrose; Vice Chancellor John Pierre representing Chancellor Freddie Pitcher

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr. - Legal Counsel

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Ms. Ware, seconded by Atty. Atkins, the agenda was adopted.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEM

A. Summer School Fee Increase, SUSLA

On motion of Mr. Hartman, seconded by Ms. Ware, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the request from SUSLA to increase the current Summer School Fee of \$350.00 by \$200.00 over the next two years. The first increase of \$100.00 will be implemented for the Summer 2008 Session and the second \$100.00 increase will be effected Summer Session 2009.

The increase which will apply only to full-time students will be used to address long-term inequities in the Summer Session fee charged at SUSLA, Bossier Parish Community College and Grambling State University. Funding from the increase will enable SUSLA to maximize self-generated resources in order to achieve its stated goals and mission.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

None.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Atty. Atkins, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors

PERSONNEL AFFAIRS AND POLICY COMMITTEES

Friday, February 29, 2008

Southern University at Shreveport Metro Center

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Shreveport, LA

MINUTES

The meeting of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee was convened by the Chairman, Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert

PRESENT

Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Chairman

Mr. Achilles Williams, Vice Chairman

Mr. Johnny G. Anderson

Mr. Richard J. Caiton

Atty. Tony M. Clayton

Mr. Herman L. Hartman, Sr.

Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.

Ms. E. Jean Ware

Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Ex-officio

ABSENT

None

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

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Chancellors Ray Belton, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey Williams;

Interim Chancellor Margaret Ambrose; Vice Chancellor John Pierre, representing Chancellor Freddie Pitcher

BOARD COUNSEL

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr.

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Hartman, the agenda was adopted.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS

A. Director of Recruitment, Admissions and Retention, SUNO

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the appointment of Ms. Renee Gill-Pratt as Director of Recruitment, Admissions and Retention at SUNO, effective retroactive to January 3, 2008 at a twelve -month salary of \$54,078.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Sabbatical Leaves, SUBR

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Atty. Clayton, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, sabbatical leave for the SUBR faculty members named below:

- Dr. Pui-Man Lam (Professor of Physics) for the period of August - December 2008
- Dr. Albert Samuels (Associate Professor of Political Science) for the period of August 2008 - June 2009
- Dr. Ahmad A. Suleiman (Professor of Chemistry) for the period of August 2008 - June 2009

C. Promotions and Long - Term Contract Recommendations for Clinical and Legal Writing Facilities, SULC

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Atty. Clayton, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, promotion and five-year presumptive renewable contracts for Clinical and Legal Writing Faculty Members named below:

Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Nash did not vote.

PERSONNEL AFFAIRS AND POLICY COMMITTEE

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- Promotion from Managing Attorney to Associate Professor of Clinical Education, effective retroactive to August 21, 2007 at a nine-month salary of \$71,227.00 for the following Law Center Faculty members:
 - Dorothy Jackson
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- Promotion from Legal Writing Instructor to Associate Professor of Legal Analysis and Reading for the following Law Center Faculty members:
 - Prentice White - effective retroactive to August 21, 2007 at a nine-month salary of \$72,900
 - Linda Fowler - effective retroactive to August 21, 2007 at a nine-month salary of \$68,900

- D. Change in Position Title "Dean for Academic Support" to "Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Support"

On motion of Mr. Hartman, seconded by Mr. Williams, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the change in the position title of "Dean for Academic Support" to Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Support." The change requires no new dollars and the person holding the current position will assume the new title, following Board approval of the recommendation.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

None

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Atty. Clayton, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors

Legal Affairs Committee
4:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 28, 2008
Southern University at Shreveport Metro Center
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Shreveport, Louisiana

MINUTES

The meeting of the Legal Affairs Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Atty. Warren Forstall. The invocation was given by Rev. Samuel Tolbert.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Atty. Warren Forstall, Chair
Mr. Herman Hartman, Sr.
Ms. Afi Patterson
Rev. Samuel Tolbert
Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Ex officio

Mr. Murphy Nash was asked to serve on the Committee to effect a quorum.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Atty. Dale N. Atkins, Vice Chair
Mr. Louis Miller
Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ralph Slaughter
Vice Presidents Kassie Freeman; Assistant Vice President Gloria Matthews, representing
Vice President Tolor White
Chancellors Ray Belton, Freddie Pitcher, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey
Williams; Interim Chancellor Margaret Ambrose

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr. - Legal Counsel

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the agenda was adopted.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

AGENDA ITEM 5: DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION RELATIVE TO LEGAL PROTOCOL AND STRUCTURE FOR SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY SYSTEM ENTITIES

Atty. Forstall provided information on the current protocol and structure used by the Board and System entities for securing and using legal counsels. He explained that as Chair of the Committee, he wanted a discussion on how legal services contracts are currently handled and whether there is a better, more cost effective way to have the best legal services and representation for the Board and System entities.

Based upon research conducted, Atty. Forstall advised that legal services currently fall into three basic categories: (1) giving legal advice and opinions on ways to avoid and handle administrative problems and concerns; (2.) litigation of the garden variety, such as personal injuries to more specialized matters; and (3) employment matters ranging from rule violations to litigation involving employment contract disputes.

Lengthy discussion ensued regarding the propriety of dividing legal work into different categories and then identifying and hiring the best attorneys to represent the University. There was discussion on what other Boards and Systems in Louisiana currently are doing; the framework currently used to secure legal representation; the use of in-house and outside counsels and their roles in handling legal matters; the current process for channeling legal matters through the Office of the Attorney General and Risk Management for the selection and assignment of counsels; the use of attorneys with legal specialities; the effectiveness of the current structure; the ability to request the Attorney General and Office of Risk Management to appoint designated attorneys to represent the Board and System entities; the importance of having a chief outside counsel for the Board, the System and each campus; and the decision making process for assigning legal counsels.

Following interactive discussions between the Committee and Atty. Winston DeCuir to address specific concerns and questions, it was expressed that more information on the effectiveness of the current structure is needed before a decision is made to change how legal affairs are handled.

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

None.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors

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MINUTES

The meeting of the Legal Counsel Select Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Johnny G. Anderson.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Johnny G. Anderson, Vice Chair
Atty. Tony M. Clayton
Atty. Warren A. Forstall
Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.
Ms. Afi C. Patterson
Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Ex officio

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Atty. Dale N. Atkins, Chair
Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ralph Slaughter
Vice Presidents Kassie Freeman; Assistant Vice President Gloria Matthews, representing
Vice President Tolor White
Chancellors Ray Belton, Freddie Pitcher, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey Williams; Interim
Chancellor Margaret Ambrose

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr. - Legal Counsel

On motion of Atty. Clayton, seconded by Mr. Nash, the Committee recessed its meeting until 9:00 a.m. on Friday, February 29, 2008.

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- RECONVENING -

9:00 A.M.

Friday, February 29, 2008

The meeting of the Legal Counsel Select Committee was reconvened by the Chair, Atty. Dale N. Atkins. The invocation was given by Rev. Samuel Tolbert.

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AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Atty. Clayton, seconded by Mr. Nash, the agenda was adopted.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

**AGENDA ITEM 5: CONTINUATION OF THE REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION
OF RESPONSES TO RFQs FOR OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL
(Executive Session)**

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Patterson, the Committee convened into an executive session to continue its review and consideration of responses to the RFQ for Outside Legal Counsel.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 7 yeas - Atkins, Anderson, Clayton, Forstall, Nash, Patterson, and Lawson; 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

- RECONVENING -

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Nash, the Committee reconvened into open session.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 7 yeas - Atkins, Anderson, Clayton, Forstall, Nash, Patterson, and Lawson, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD FOR THE
APPOINTMENT OF OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL**

Chairlady Atkins reported that the Committee had met on two prior occasions in Baton Rouge to interview all applicants responding to the RFQ for Outside Legal Counsel.

On a motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Nash, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the following law firms for consideration in selecting an Outside Legal Counsel for the Board and Southern University System entities:

- Broussard Baloney
- DeCuir, Clark and Adams
- Godfrey and Schneider

AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS

None.

AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Atty. Forstall, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors