BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEM 7A

Southern University Board of Supervisors 9:00 a.m. Saturday, May 24, 2008 Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room J.S. Clark Administration Building, 2nd Floor Southern University - Baton Rouge

MINUTES

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Mr. Myron K. Lawson. The invocation was given by Mr. Johnny G. Anderson.

PRESENT Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Chair Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery, Vice Chair Mr. Johnny G. Anderson Atty. Dale N. Atkins Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry 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 C. Tolbert Ms. E. Jean Ware Mr. Achilles Williams

ABSENT Mr. Richard J. Caiton

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ralph Slaughter

Vice President Tolor White and Kassie Freeman

Chancellors Ray Belton, Freddie Pitcher, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey Williams, and Interim Chancellor Margaret Ambrose

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr. - Board Counsel

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AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mrs. Montgomery, seconded by Ms. Ware, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The Board of Supervisors, System and Campus Administration recognized the services of outgoing Student Board Member, Ms. Afi C. Patterson. Ms. Patterson expressed her appreciation to the Board and others for their assistance throughout her tenure on the Board.

AGENDA ITEM 5: PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

The Southern University Law Center's Studies Abroad Program, which is held each summer in London, England was highlighted. The six-week, six-credit hours program is under the direction of Professor Maurice R. Franks.

AGENDA ITEM 6: PUBLIC COMMENTS

Several persons spoke in regards to the appointment of a Chancellor for the SUBR Campus (Item 8). Comments were also tendered by the Chancellor Search Committee Co-Chairs Matthew Butler and Jacqui Vines and Committee Members Linda Johnson, Sandra Brown, Carey Ash and Brittany Carter.

AGENDA ITEM 7A: MINUTES OF THE APRIL 25, 2008 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

On motion of Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Ms. Patterson,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board on April 25, 2008 be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 7B: COMMITTEE REPORTS

On motion of Atty. Clayton, seconded by Mrs. Montgomery, the following resolutions were approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

• ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, that the informational report on duplicative academic programs and low completer programs be and it is hereby received.

• <u>ATHLETICS COMMITTEE</u>

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, upon the recommendation of the Athletics Committee, that the Systemwide Policy for retiring Athletes' Jerseys, with the provision that the Athletics Directors serve as Chairs of the respective Campus Committees, be and it is hereby approved.

The procedure for retiring Athletes' Jerseys is to be developed by the individual campuses in accordance with the guidelines in the Policy.

• FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, upon the recommendations of the

Facilities and Property Committee, that the quarterly reports on the SU Campuses' Major Repairs and Re-roofing Projects be and they are hereby received.

• FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that the engagement letters for Bruno and Tervalon, LLP, Certified Public Accountants, to audit the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and records of the institution relative to federal, state, local and private funded grants and contracts, and student financial aid programs for the period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 for the purpose of expressing an opinion of them, be and they are hereby approved. The cost for this service is \$99,500.

Following Board approval, the engagement letter must be sent to the Louisiana State Legislative Auditor for concurrence.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that Southern University - Shreveport be and it is hereby authorized to transfer prior year funds in the amount of \$30,000 from the University Bookstore Account to the Athletic Fund Account.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that a referendum by the Southern University -Shreveport student body that changes "facilities maintenance fees originally approved to acquire apartment-style residential housing to fees used to support athletics" be and it is hereby approved.

This change will not require an increase in any student fees and will become effective Fall 2008.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that Southern University - Baton Rouge be and it is hereby authorized to use prior year System Revenue Auxiliary funds to cover projected budget shortfalls during fiscal year 2007 - 2008 as set forth below:

Residential Housing	\$300,000
Smith-Brown Memorial Union	168,000
Food Service	25,000
Infirmary	45,000

It was noted that the amount of funds requested to cover the shortfall in Housing has been reduced, subsequent to the reduction in the original shortfall projection.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that the BA-7 reflecting a mid-year budget adjustment to incorporate an additional amount of \$350,000 in fees and self-generated revenues in the current operating budget for Southern University at New Orleans be and it is hereby approved.

A restricted spending freeze has been placed on these auxiliary departments in an effort to minimize use of prior year funds.

• PERSONNEL AFFAIRS AND POLICY COMMITTEE

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that the following medical leaves of absence be and they are hereby approved.

- » Mrs. Margaret S. Ambrose, Interim Chancellor (SUBR), effective retroactive to March 10, 2008 through April 18, 2008. The leave is with pay, contingent upon the availability of funds.
- » Dr. Felix James, Assistant Professor of History (SUNO), effective August 18, 2008 to May 12, 2009. The leave is with pay.

• <u>Governance Committee</u>

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, upon the recommendation of the Governance Committee, that the following proposed actions be and they are hereby laid over until the June 2008 Board meeting in order to clarify the language in the Board Member Emeritus Policy:

- Repeal of Section 4-6A: Supervisor Emeritus in the Regulations of the Board of Supervisors
- Adoption of the Board Member Emeritus Policy
- Amendment to add the Board Member Emeritus Category to the Bylaws of the Board, Part 1C: Membership

AGENDA ITEM 7C. RESOLUTIONS

On motion of Atty. Clayton, seconded by Mrs. Montgomery, the following resolutions were authorized.

Motion carried unanimously.

- Expression of appreciation from the Board Members to the Southern University -Baton Rouge Chancellor Search Committee for their outstanding service
- Condolences to the families listed below:
 - Mrs. Mary G. Shelton
 - Mrs. Yola Pierre
 - Mrs. Augustine T. Wilson
 - Mrs. Rosemary Butler

AGENDA ITEM 8: PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF SUBR CHANCELLOR (EXECUTIVE SESSION)

The three finalist candidates for the position of Southern University - Baton Rouge Chancellorship were presented to the Board. They were:

• Dr. Ray Belton

• Dr. Kofi Lomotey

• Dr. Napoleon Moses

Each of the candidates was interviewed by the Board in an open session.

On motion of Mrs. Montgomery, seconded by Mr. Williams, the Board convened into an executive session to discuss the character, fitness and competencies of the three finalist candidates for the SUBR Chancellorship position.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 14 yeas, 1 out (Rev. Bilberry), 0 nays, 0 abstentions

- EXECUTIVE SESSION -

- OPEN SESSION -

On motion of Mrs. Montgomery, seconded by Ms. Ware, the Board returned to open session.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 15 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

President Slaughter submitted to the Board his recommendation of Dr. Kofi Lomotey to fill the position of Chancellor of the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus.

A motion to approve the recommendation from the President was offered by Ms. Patterson and seconded by Atty. Clayton.

A substitute motion was offered by Mrs. Montgomery to receive the recommendation of the President only. The motion was seconded by Rev. Tolbert.

The substitute Motion failed. 9 nays: Lawson, Atkins, Bilberry, Clayton, Forstall, Miller, Patterson, Ware, and Williams; 6 yeas: Montgomery, Anderson, Doucet, Hartman, Nash, and Tolbert; 0 abstentions.

The Board then voted on the main motion previously offered, which approved the following resolution:.

Motion passed. 9 yeas: Lawson, Atkins, Bilberry, Clayton, Forstall, Miller, Patterson, Ware, and Williams; 6 nays: Montgomery, Anderson, Doucet, Hartman,

Nash, and Tolbert; 0 abstentions.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agriculture and Mechanical College System that the President's recommendation of Dr. Kofi Lomotey to fill the position of Chancellor of the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus, effective July 1, 2008 be and it is hereby approved.

A substitute motion was offered by Mrs. Montgomery, and seconded by Rev. Tolbert, that the Board would receive the President's recommendation for further consideration.

The motion failed. Roll call vote: 6 yeas: Montgomery, Anderson, Doucet, Hartman, Nash, and Tolbert; 9 nays: Lawson, Atkins, Bilberry, Clayton, Forstall, Miller, Patterson, Ware, and Williams; 0 abstentions.

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

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the Board Chairman and System President be and they are hereby authorized to negotiate the compensation packet with Dr. Lomotey prior to the effective date of his appointment of July 1, 2008.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Lomotey and his wife, Aama Nahusja, were presented to the Board. The Chancellor-elect extended his appreciation to the Board for his appointment and pledged his best efforts in fulfilling the duties and responsibilities of the position.

Mr. Anderson called upon the members to join together in support of Dr. Lomotey.

AGENDA ITEM 9: SYSTEM AND CAMPUS REPORTS

The informational reports are on file in the Board's Office

AGENDA ITEM 10: OTHER BUSINESS

None.

AGENDA ITEM 11: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Montgomery, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE 1:00 p.m. Friday, May 23, 2008 2nd Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building Southern University - Baton Rouge

MINUTES

The meeting of the Academics and Student Affairs Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr. The invocation was given by Rev. Bilberry.

Committee Members Present

Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr., Chairman Mr. Johnny G. Anderson, Vice Chairman Mrs. Mary R. Doucet Mr. Herman L. Hartman, Sr. Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery Ms. Afi C. Patterson Ms. E. Jean Ware Mr. Achilles Williams Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Ex Officio

Committee Members Absent

Mr. Achilles Williams

University Personnel Attending

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

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr. - Board Counsel

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Ms. Ware, seconded by Mrs. Montgomery, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

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Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: DUPLICATIVE ACADEMICS PROGRAMS REPORTS, BY CAMPUS

The Committee received the following reports in response to a request by the Board at its March 2008 meeting for information regarding existing duplicative academic programs on the Southern University Campuses.

SUBR

The Campus reported no duplicative academic programs. However, it is working assiduously to identify and address low-completer programs, per the Board of Regents' definition. This action is being taken in light of the decline in student enrollment over the past three or more years.

The final report will be submitted to the Interim Chancellor by June 1, 2008.

SUNO

The Campus reported no duplicative academic programs, but provided an update on its efforts to prepare for accreditation by SACS, NCATE and AACSB.

SUSLA

No duplicative academic programs were reported by the Campus.

SUNO and SULA Chancellors were requested to issue a report on low completers program on their campuses at the June Board Meeting.

All reports were informational and required no action by the Committee.

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AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

None

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

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

Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors

ATHLETICS COMMITTEE Friday, May 23, 2008 Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room 2nd Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building Southern University- Baton Rouge Campus

MINUTES

The meeting of the Athletics Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Mr. Herman Hartman, Sr.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Herman Hartman, Sr. - Chairman Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr. - Vice Chairman Mr. Johnny G. Anderson Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr. Atty. Tony M. Clayton Mr. Louis Miller Mrs. Afi C. Patterson Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Ex officio

COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT

Mr. Achilles Williams

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

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

BOARD COUNSEL

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr.

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Miller, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: SYSTEMWIDE POLICY FOR RETIRING JERSEYS

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Atty. Clayton, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the Systemwide Policy for Retiring Athlete's Jerseys to include the provision that the Athletics Director serve as Chair of the respective campus committees.

The procedure for retiring a jersey is to be developed by the individual campuses.

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

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE Friday, May 23, 2008 Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room J.S. Clark Administration Building, 4th Floor Baton Rouge Campus

MINUTES

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

Committee Members Present

Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr. Chairman Mr. Louis Miller, Vice Chairman Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery Ms. Afi C. Patterson Ms. E. Jean Ware Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Ex Officio

Committee Members Absent

Mr. Richard J. Caiton Atty. Warren Forstall Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr.

University Personnel Attending

System President Ralph Slaughter Vice Presidents Tolor E. White and Kassie Freeman Chancellors Ray Belton, Freddie Pitcher, Victor Ukpolo and Leodrey Williams, and Interim Chancellor Margaret Ambrose

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr. - Board Counsel

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Patterson, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MINUTES, MAY 23, 2008 PAGE 2

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The Committee received quarterly reports on the following Southern University System projects:

Major Repairs and Re-roofing projects

Capital Outlay projects

The reports were informational and required no action by the Committee.

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

On motion of Ms. Patterson, seconded by Mrs. Montgomery, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors

FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE Friday, May 23, 2008 Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room 2nd Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building Southern University- Baton Rouge Campus

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.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Johnny G. Anderson - Chairman Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery, Vice Chair Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr. Ms. E. Jean Ware Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Ex officio

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Atty. Dale N. Atkins Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr. Mr. Achilles Williams

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

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

BOARD COUNSEL

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr.

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Nash, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MINUTES, MAY 23, 2008

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AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS

On motion of Mrs. Montgomery, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the following item:

A. Engagement Letter for Bruno and Tervalon LLP, Certified Public Accountants, SU System

The engagement letter for Bruno and Tervalon LLP, Certified Public Accountants, to audit the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and records of the institution relative to federal, state, local and private funded grants and contracts, and student financial aid programs for the period July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 for the purpose of expressing an opinion on them.

The cost for this services is \$99,500.00

Following Board approval, the engagement letter must be sent to the Louisiana State Legislative Auditor for concurrence.

B. Transfer of Prior Year Auxiliary Funds, SUSLA

C. Student Referendum, SUSLA

D. Use of Prior Year Auxiliary Fund Balances (SUBR)

E. BA-7: Mid-Year Budget Adjustment, SUNO

On motion of Mr. Nash, seconded by Mrs. Montgomery, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the following:

• Authorization to Southern University - Shreveport to transfer prior year funds in the amount of \$30,000 from the University Bookstore Account to the Athletic Fund Account.

FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MINUTES, MAY 23, 2008 • Endorsement of a referendum by the Southern University - Shreveport student body that changes "facilities maintenance fees originally approved to acquire apartment-style residential housing to fees used to support athletics."

This change is not accompanied by an increase in any student fee and will become effective Fall 2008.

• Authorization to Southern University - Baton Rouge to use prior year System Revenue Auxiliary funds to cover projected budget shortfalls during fiscal year 2007-2008 as set forth below:

Residential Housing	\$300,000
Smith-Brown Memorial Union	168,000
Food Service	25,000
Infirmary	45,000

It was noted that the amount of funds requested to cover the shortfall in Housing reflected a reduction due to a reduction in the original shortfall projected.

• BA-7 #2 reflecting a mid-year budget adjustment to incorporate an additional amount of \$350,000 in fees and self-general revenues in the current operating budget for Southern University at New Orleans.

A restricted spending freeze has been placed on these auxiliary departments in an effort to minimize use of prior year funds.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS

None

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AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mrs. Montgomery, seconded by Ms. Ware, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors

Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee Friday, May 23, 2008 Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room J.S. Clark Administration Building, 2nd Floor

Southern University - Baton Rouge

MINUTES

The meeting of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by Mr. Johnny G. Anderson.

PRESENT

Mr. Johnny G. Anderson Mrs. Mary R. Doucet Mr. Herman Hartman, Sr. Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr. Ms. E. Jean Ware Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Ex officio

ABSENT Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr. - Chairman Mr. Achilles Williams, Vice Chairman Mr. Richard Caiton Atty. Tony M. Clayton

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING System President Ralph Slaughter Vice President Tolor White and Kassie Freeman Chancellors Ray Belton, Freddie Pitcher, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey Williams, and Interim Chancellor Margaret Ambrose

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr. - Board Counsel

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mrs. Doucet, seconded by Mr. Hartman, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

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AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

AGENDA ITEM 5: MEDICAL LEAVES OF ABSENCE

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Ware, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, medical leaves of absence for individuals named below:

- » Mrs. Margaret S. Ambrose, Interim Chancellor (SUBR), effective retroactive to March 10, 2008 through April 18, 2008. The leave is with pay, contingent upon the availability of funds.
- » Dr. Felix James, Assistant Professor of History (SUNO), effective August 18, 2008 to May 12, 2009. The leave is with pay.

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

None.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

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

Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors

Governance Committee Friday, May 23, 2008 Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room J.S. Clark Administration Building, 2nd Floor

Southern University - Baton Rouge

MINUTES

The meeting of the Governance Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Mr. Achilles Williams.

PRESENT

Mr. Achilles Williams, Chair Mr. Johnny G. Anderson Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry Atty. Tony M. Clayton Mrs. Mary R. Doucet Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Ex officio

ABSENT Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr. - Chairman Atty. Dale N. Atkins

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING System President Ralph Slaughter Vice President Tolor White and Kassie Freeman Chancellors Ray Belton, Freddie Pitcher, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey Williams, and Interim Chancellor Margaret Ambrose

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr. - Board Counsel

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Montgomery, the agenda was adopted.

Motion carried unanimously.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES, MAY 23, 2008 PAGE 2

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS None.

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS

- a. Repeal of the Regulations of the Board of Supervisors: Section 4 6A -Supervisors Emeritus Title
- b. Adoption of the Board Member Emeritus Policy

c. Amendment to Bylaws of the Board of Supervisors - Part 1C: Membership

After discussion on the recommendation for adoption of the Board Member Emeritus Policy, a motion was offered by Mr. Lawson to set the eligibility requirements for emeritus status to include Board members who have completed two - 6-year terms of service on the Board and to limit the term for holding the position to a period of four years.

The substitute motion was withdrawn after an alternate recommendation was offered to set the eligibility requirement to the completion of one - 6-year term of service and the position term to a period of four years.

A question was raised regarding the definition of emeritus and whether or not a term limit was applicable. The response was that the awarding of an emeritus title was for the lifetime of the title holder.

After further dialogue, the following action was taken:

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mrs. Montgomery, the Committee recommends to the Board that the following actions be laid over until the June Board Meeting in order to clarify the language in the Board Member Emeritus Policy:

- Repeal of the Regulations of the Board of Supervisors: Section 4 6A Supervisors Emeritus Title
- Adoption of the Board Member Emeritus Policy
- Amendment to Bylaws of the Board of Supervisors Part 1C: Membership

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, S.U. Board of Supervisors

Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors