## **Academic Affairs Committee**

1:00 p.m.

Friday, October 28, 2011 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building Southern University and A & M College Baton Rouge, Louisiana

#### **MINUTES**

The meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson. The invocation was given by Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert.

#### **Present**

Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson, Chair Dr. Eamon M. Kelly, Vice Chair Mr. Calvin W. Braxton Atty. Tony M. Clayton Mr. Willie E. Hendricks Mrs. Ann A. Smith Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, JR. Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex Officio

## **Absent**

None

# **University Personnel Attending**

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
Evola Bates, Chief of Staff
System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton and Tony Moore
Chancellors Ray Belton (SUSLA), Freddie Pitcher (SULC), James Llorens (SUBR)
Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), and Leodrey Williams (SUSLA)
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## **BOARD COUNSEL**

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods

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

On motion of Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Hendricks, the agenda was adopted.

Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENTS: REVERSE ORDER OF AGENDA ITEMS AS FOLLOWS:

**ITEM 5: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS** 

**ITEM 6: ACTION ITEMS** 

**AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS** 

NONE

**AGENDA ITEM 5: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS** 

## A. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) FOR THE SUNO/SUSLA CONNECTION

The Committee was informed of the College Connection Partnership between Southern University at New Orleans and Southern University at Shreveport that will allow SUNO to offer freshmen and transfer SUSLA applicants who do not meet admissions requirements the opportunity to attend one of its partnering community colleges without having to complete a separate application, pay a separate application fee, or request additional transcripts and test scores. These students will be admitted as transfer students once they earn at least twelve college level credits with a 2.0 GPA or better.

# B. ONLINE EARLY START AMITE HIGH SCHOOL COLLABORATION, SUNO

Vice Chancellor Wesley Bishop apprised the Committee of SUNO's collaboration with Amite High School to offer early start online initiatives to high school students. The dual enrollment program currently has 27 students. This number is expected to double or triple the next semester.

Ms. Mildred Johnson, Principal of Amite High School, expressed her satisfaction with the progress of the program and the high interest it has generated among her students.

The assistance of Board Member Ann Smith in facilitating the implementation of this collaboration was recognized by SUNO Chancellor Ukpolo.

## **AGENDA ITEM 6: ACTION ITEMS**

# A. Proposals for New Academic Programs, SUNO

On motion of Dr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Hendricks, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the following items.

The motion carried. Atty. Clayton abstained.

1.) Letter of Intent to develop a B.S. Degree Program in Applied Sciences

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> 2.) Certification only Program Alternative Path, Secondary Certification for the College of **Education and Family Studies**

This program will replace the Alternative Certification Program for Secondary Education and its

content conforms to the requirements of the State.

3.) B.S. Degree program in Mathematics and Physics

Atty. Clayton noted that the previous program was discontinued because of low enrollment. He specifically questioned the justification for this request and the existence of any data to project the

generation of sufficient revenues to support the program.

4.) B.S. Degree program in Biology and Chemistry

AGENDA ITEM 6B: EDUCATION ONLINE SERVICES AGREEMENTS, SUS

On motion of Atty. Clayton, seconded by Mrs. Smith, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the Masters Services and Licensing Agreement between the Southern University System and Education Online Services Corporation (EOServe Corp) to offer the Associate,

Bachelor, and Master Degrees online.

The term of the agreement is five (5) years, with an automatic five (5) year renewal.

Motion carried unanimously.

Additional details are enumerated in the documents.

Mr. Ezell Brown, Chairman of Education Online Services reported on the services that will be provided to the University to effect the online program and the benefits that will insure to the

University.

**AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS** 

None

**AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT** 

On motion of Mrs. Smith, the meeting was adjourned.

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# **Facilities and Property Committee**

Friday, October 28, 2011 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building Southern University and A & M College Baton Rouge, Louisiana

## **MINUTES**

The meeting of the Facilities and Property Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr.

#### Present

Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr. Vice Chairman Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr. – Vice Chairman Atty. Walter C. Dumas Mr. Willie E. Hendricks Mr. Myron K. Lawson Mrs. Ann A. Smith Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex Officio

#### **Absent**

Atty. Warren A. Forstall

## **University Personnel Attending**

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
Evola Bates, Chief of Staff
System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton and Tony Moore
Chancellors Ray Belton (SUSLA), Freddie Pitcher (SULC), James Llorens (SUBR)
Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), and Leodrey Williams (SUSLA)
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## **BOARD COUNSEL**

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr., and Tracie Woods

## AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

Motion carried unanimously.

## **AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public Comments were received by the Committee in opposition to Agenda Item 5A.

## **AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEM**

# A. T.H. HARRIS HALL RELEASE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, SUBR

The Committee was advised of the contract entered into in January 2010 by the State Office of Facility Planning and Control and Guy Hopkins Construction Company, Inc. (GHCC) for the renovation of the T.H. Harris Hall Annex on the Southern University Campus in Baton Rouge (SUBR).

Shortly after work on the project began, previously undisclosed water lines and control lines were discovered at the site. GHCC then claimed that the undisclosed lines obstructed its work on the project in a timely manner and thus caused the company to sustain substantial monetary damages during the period of the delay.

In August 2011, SUBR received a letter from GHCC seeking \$268,680 for alleged delay damages. These allegations were disputed by SUBR; however, upon the recommendation of the Office of Facility Planning and Control, the University has agreed to compromise and settle this dispute in lieu of litigation.

The agreement, as negotiated by the State Office of Facility Planning and Control, was recommended as the most expeditious way to get the project back on track. Federal funds that were available in the contract will be used to pay the settlement.

Atty Clayton voiced concerns that, during this period of financial austerity, SUBR must pay huge financial damages because the necessary maps had not been furnished to GHCC to identify existing water lines and control lines.

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Atty. Dumas, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the T.H. Harris Hall Release and Settlement Agreement between the State Office of Facility Planning and Guy Hopkins Construction Company, Inc.

Motion carried. Atty. Clayton voted nay.

# **AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

The following reports were presented in writing or by video--

- Capital Projects, by campus
- FY 2012-2012 Capital Outlay Requests, by Campus
- SUNO Master Programming Update by the Office of Facility Planning and Control

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**AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS** 

None

**AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT** 

On motion of Mr. Mire, the meeting was adjourned.

# **Personnel Affairs Committee**

Friday, October 28, 2011 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building Southern University and A & M College Baton Rouge, Louisiana

## **MINUTES**

The meeting of the Personnel Affairs Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Patrick W. Bell.

## **Present**

Mr. Patrick W. Bell, Vice Chairman Mr. Calvin W. Braxton Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson Dr. Eamon M. Kelly Mrs. Ann A. Smith Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex Officio

#### **Absent**

Atty. Warren A. Forstall, Chairman

# **University Personnel Attending**

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
Evola Bates, Chief of Staff
System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton, Tony Moore and Walter Tillman
Chancellors Ray Belton (SUSLA), Freddie Pitcher (SULC), James Llorens (SUBR)
Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), and Leodrey Williams (SUSLA)
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## **BOARD COUNSEL**

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr., and Tracie Woods

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

On motion of Atty. Jefferson, seconded by Mrs. Smith, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS** 

NONE

**AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS** 

A. APPOINTMENTS, SUBR

On motion of Atty. Jefferson, seconded by Mrs. Smith, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the following appointments.

Motion carried unanimously.

-Dr. Janet Rami as Interim Vice Chancellor and Provost at Southern University - Baton Rouge,

effective October 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, at an annual pro-rated salary of \$155,000.

-Dr. Cheryl Taylor as Interim Dean of the School of Nursing at Southern University - Baton

Rouge, effective October 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, at an annual pro-rated salary of \$120,000.

**B. Sabbatical Leave, SULC** 

On motion of Mr. Mire, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the request from Associate Professor Nadia Nedzel at the Southern University Law Center for a sabbatical leave with pay, during the 2012 Spring Semester for the purpose

of independent study and research.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS** 

A. Introduction of Chief of Police, SUBR

Chancellor Llorens introduced to the Committee, Mr. Ronald Stevens, newly appointed Chief of Police at Southern University – Baton Rouge. Chief Stevens expressed his pleasure on being selected to

the position and pledged his best efforts in executing his new duties and responsibilities.

**AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT** 

On motion of Atty. Jefferson, the meeting was adjourned.

## **Athletics Committee**

Friday, October 28, 2011 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building Southern University and A & M College Baton Rouge, Louisiana

## **MINUTES**

The meeting of the Athletics Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Atty. Patrick D. Magee.

#### Present

Atty. Patrick D. Magee, Chairman Mr. Demetrius Sumner, Vice Chair Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr. Mr. Patrick W. Bell Dr. Eamon M. Kelly Mr. Myron K. Lawson Mrs. Ann A. Smith Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex Officio

#### **Absent**

None

# **University Personnel Attending**

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
Evola Bates, Chief of Staff
System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton and Tony Moore
Chancellors Ray Belton (SUSLA), Freddie Pitcher (SULC), James Llorens (SUBR)
Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), and Leodrey Williams (SUSLA)
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#### **BOARD COUNSEL**

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr., and Tracie Woods

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

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

Motion carried unanimously.

## **AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

SUBR Faculty Senate President S. Trivedi spoke in opposition to agenda Item 5A.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEM**

## A. 2011-2012 INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS OPERATING BUDGET, SUBR

On motion of Mr. Bell, the seconded by Mr. Lawson, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the 2011-2012 Intercollegiate Athletics Budget for Southern University and A&M College in the amount of \$7,188,205.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chancellor Llorens reported that the Department of Athletics was challenged to make reductions to its 2011-2012 operating budget as a result of the dire financial situation in which the University faces. In addition, the University is exploring other revenue generating avenues, i.e., playing of football games with the University of Georgia, ULL and Northwestern; and, seeking to make the University's participation in the Atlanta Football Classic a long term agreement.

The Chancellor also provided an update on the search for a new Director of Athletics for SUBR. Three semi-finalist candidates will be recommended to the Chancellor. Each of the candidate will possess strong finance and development skills.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS**

Student Board Member Demetrius Sumner reported on the SGA Reunion Luncheon that was held earlier in the day and attended by twenty former Presidents of the Student Government Association at Southern University – Baton Rouge. Several of the former SGA Presidents who attended the luncheon also attended the Committee's meeting and were invited to introduce themselves --

Derrick Warren	1981-82
Johnny G. Anderson	1982-83
Michael Adams	1984-85
Niles Hamer	1999-2000
Arthur Monroe	2004-05
Carey Ash	2007-08
Stanley White	2009-10

Mr. Derrick Warren advised Committee members of the group's continuing support for their Alma Mater and their intent to become an organized body to create an endowment for the institution. Former SGA President and former Senator Cleo Fields will chair the group.

Mr. Sumner was recognized for his efforts in arranging the reunion of former SGA Presidents.

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The Committee recognized the presence of SU National Alumni President Dennis Brown and former SU National Alumni President James Brown. They reported on their participation on an Advisory Council for the SUBR College of Business that has as its goal the raising of \$100,000 by Founders' Day in 2012.

# **AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Mr. Mire, the meeting was adjourned.

## **Finance and Audit Committee**

Friday, October 28, 2011 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building Southern University and A & M College Baton Rouge, Louisiana

# **MINUTES**

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

## **Present**

Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Chairman Atty. Walter C. Dumas MR. Willie E. Hendricks Dr. Eamon M. Kelly Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson

Mr. Demetrius Sumner

Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex Officio

## **Absent**

Atty. Warren A. Forstall, Vice Chair

# **University Personnel Attending**

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
Evola Bates, Chief of Staff
System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton and Tony Moore
Chancellors Ray Belton (SUSLA), Freddie Pitcher (SULC), James Llorens (SUBR)
Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), and Leodrey Williams (SUSLA)
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# **BOARD COUNSEL**

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods

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

On motion of Atty. Dumas, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

# **AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public Comments were tendered in opposition to agenda Item 5B.

## **AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS**

## A. NEW BANK ACCOUNT, SUSLA

On motion of Atty. Dumas, seconded by Mr. Mire, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, authorization to Southern University at Shreveport to open a new bank account with Capital One Bank for Individual Development Accounts (IDA) grant funds.

Motion carried unanimously.

## B. T.H. HARRIS RELEASE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, SUBR

On motion of Mr. Mire, seconded by Atty. Dumas, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the T.H. Harris Release and Settlement Agreement between the Louisiana State Office of Facility Planning and Control and Guy Hopkins Construction Company, Inc.

Motion carried. Atty. Clayton voted nay.

Further details on the agreement can be found in the minutes of the October 28, 2011 meeting of the Facilities and Property Committee.

## C. LA GRAD ACT AUTONOMIES, SUS

On motion of Mr. Mire, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, that the Southern University System President be authorized to make application through the Louisiana Division of Administration for base level autonomies authorized in the LA GRAD Act for the 2011-2012 academic year, per ACT 418 of the 2011 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature.

Motion carried unanimously.

## D. HBCU CAPITAL FINANCING PROGRAM, SUSLA

On motion of Atty. Dumas, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, that System President Ronald Mason, Chancellor Ray Belton, in consultation with SUS staff and legal counsel be authorized to:

-Pursue financing of up to \$39.0 million from the HBCU capital finance program for the purposes of acquisition of the existing facilities and the construction and equipment of additional facilities on the Southern University at Shreveport campus from the HBCU capital finance program for completion of several capital outlay projects identified herein and to execute any and all required documents to do so.

- -Pursue the acquisition of the existing university housing by purchase through diminishment of the outstanding debt of \$18.7 million for such facilities and to expend approximately \$11.8 million for the construction of new student housing facilities, approximately \$4.8 million for a parking deck and approximately \$3.4 million for a performing art center for the use of the students at SUSLA.
- -Pursue the engagement of a developer and other professional services as required for the design and construction of the new 260-bed student housing project, parking deck and performing art center at SUSLA in accordance with and as allowed by law. The final approval of any financing, developer and construction agreements will be by the Board of Supervisors.
- -Make application, on behalf of the Board, to the State Bond Commission in Baton Rouge for the approval of this project.
- -By virtue of SUS's application for acceptance and utilization of the benefits of the State Bond Commission's approval requested herein, SUS understands and agrees that such approval is expressly conditioned upon and further understands, agrees and binds itself if successors and assigns to full and continuing compliance with "State Bond Commission policy on approval of proposed use of swabs, or other forms of derivative products, hedges, etc., "adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006.
- -Proceed as required by law to secure the necessary approvals from any and all entities, including but not limited to the Board of Regents, to obtain such funds through the capital outlay process and to enter into and execute all necessary agreements to reach same projects completion.
- -That President Mason is authorized to execute any documents necessary to meet the requirements of this resolution.

## E. ANNUAL RISK ASSESSMENT/AUDIT PLAN, SUS

On motion of Mr. Mire, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the Annual Risk Assessment/Audit Plan for the S.U. System's Internal Auditor's Office for the period July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011.

Motion carried unanimously.

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# F. BA-7, NUMBER 1, SUS

On motion of Mr. Mire, seconded by Atty. Dumas, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, ratification of BA-7, Number 1 to increase the spending authority for self-generated revenues realized by the Southern University System as a result of Carry Forward of ACT 971 funds from FYs 2007-08 and 2009-10.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS** 

None

**AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT** 

On motion of Mr. Mire, the meeting was adjourned.

## SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Friday, October 28, 2011

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. Darren G. Mire. The invocation was given by Mr. Montrell McCaleb.

# **PRESENT**

Mr. Darren G. Mire - Chair

Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr. – Vice Chair

Mr. Patrick W. Bell

Mr. Calvin W. Braxton, Sr.

Atty. Tony M. Clayton

Atty. Walter C. Dumas

Mr. Willie E. Hendricks

Atty, Patrick O. Jefferson

Dr. Eamon M. Kelly

Mr. Myron K. Lawson

Atty. Patrick D. Magee

Mrs. Ann A. Smith

Mr. Demetrius Sumner, Student Member

Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr.

## **ABSENT**

Atty. Warren A. Forstall Atty. Randal L. Gaines

## UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
Evola Bates, Chief of Staff
System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton, and Tony Moore
Chancellors Ray Belton (SUSLA), Freddie Pitcher (SULC),
James Llorens (SUBR), Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), and
Leodrey Williams (SUAREC)

# **BOARD COUNSEL**

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr., and Tracie Woods

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

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Atty. Magee, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

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Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT:

**Agenda Item 5E changed to Item 5C-1**: Policies and Procedures for responding to Financial Emergencies within the Southern University System

## **AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public comments were received in support of Item 5C and in opposition to Item 5D.

## **AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS**

ITEM 5A. Minutes of the August 26, 2011 Regular Board Meeting and the September 2, 2011 and September 6, 2011 Special Board Meetings

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Atty. Bell,

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the minutes of the August 26, 2011 regular Board meeting and the September 2, 2011 and September 6, 2011 special Board meetings be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 5B. Committee Reports and Recommendations

Academic Affairs Committee

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the Academic Affairs Committee's report and the following resolutions were approved.

Motion carried. Atty. Clayton voted nay.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the letter of intent to develop the B.S. Degree Program in Applied Sciences at Southern University at New Orleans be and it is hereby approved.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the Certification Program Alternative Path, Secondary Certification for the College and Family Studies at Southern University at New Orleans be and it is hereby approved.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the B.S. Degree Program in Mathematics and Physics at Southern University at New Orleans be and it is hereby approved.

- Finance and Audit Committee
- Personnel Affairs Committee
- Athletics Committee

On motion of Atty. Bell, seconded by Atty. Magee, the following Committee reports and resolutions were approved.

Motion carried. Atty. Clayton voted nay on the Finance and Audit Committee Report.

# Finance and Audit Committee

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendations of the Finance and Audit Committee, that Southern University at Shreveport be and it is hereby authorized to open a new bank account with Capital One Bank for Individual Development Accounts (IDA) grant funds.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that the T.H. Harris Release and Settlement Agreement between the Louisiana State Office of Facility Planning and Control and Guy Hopkins Construction Company, Inc. be and it is hereby approved.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that the Southern University System President be and he is hereby authorized to make application through the Louisiana Division of Administration for base level autonomies authorized in the LA GRAD Act for the 2011-2012 academic year, per ACT 418 of the 2011 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that System President Ronald Mason, Chancellor Ray Belton, in consultation with SUS staff and legal counsel be and they are hereby authorized to --

- -Pursue financing of up to \$39.0 million from the HBCU capital finance program for the purposes of acquisition of the existing facilities and the construction and equipment of additional facilities on the Southern University at Shreveport campus from the HBCU capital finance program for completion of several capital outlay projects identified herein and to execute any and all required documents to do so.
- -Pursue the acquisition of the existing university housing by purchase through diminishment of the outstanding debt of \$18.7 million for such facilities and to expend approximately \$11.8 million for the construction of new student housing facilities, approximately \$4.8 million for a parking deck and approximately \$3.4 million for a performing art center for the use of the students at SUSLA.
- -Pursue the engagement of a developer and other professionals as required for the design and construction of the new 260-bed student housing project, parking deck and performing art center at SUSLA in accordance with and as allowed by law. The final approval of any financing, developer and construction agreements will be by the Board of Supervisors.
- -Make application, on behalf of the Board, to the State Bond Commission in Baton Rouge for the approval of this project.
- -That, by virtue of SUS's application for acceptance and utilization of the benefits of the State Bond Commission's approval requested herein, SUS understands and agrees that such approval is expressly conditioned upon and further understands, agrees and binds itself if successors and assigns to full and continuing compliance with "State Bond Commission policy on approval of proposed use of swabs, or other forms of derivative products, hedges, etc., "adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006.
- -Proceed as required by law to secure the necessary approvals from any and all entities, including but not limited to the Board of Regents, to obtain such funds through the capital outlay process and to enter into and execute all necessary agreements to reach same projects completion.
- -That President Mason is authorized to execute any documents necessary to meet the requirements of this resolution.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that the Annual Risk Assessment/Audit Plan for the S.U. System's Internal Auditor's Office for the period July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011, be and it is hereby approved.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that the BA-7, Number 1 to increase the spending authority for self-generated revenues realized by the Southern University System as a result of Carry Forward of ACT 971 funds from FYs 2007-08 and 2009-10 be and it is hereby approved.

## Personnel Affairs Committee

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs Committee, that the appointment of Dr. Janet Rami as Interim Vice Chancellor and Provost at Southern University — Baton Rouge, effective October 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, at annual pro-rated salary of \$155,000 be and it is hereby approved.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs Committee, that the appointment of Dr. Cheryl Taylor as Interim Dean of the School of Nursing at Southern University — Baton Rouge, effective October 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, at an annual pro-rated salary of \$120,000 be and it is hereby approved.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs Committee, that the request from Associate Professor Nadia Nedzel (SULC) for a sabbatical leave with pay during the 2012 Spring Semester for the purpose of independent study and research be and it is hereby approved.

# **Athletics Committee**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Athletics Committee, that the 2011-2012 Intercollegiate Athletics Budget for Southern University and A&M College in the amount of \$7,188,205 be and it is hereby approved.

# **Facilities and Property Committee**

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Atty. Magee, the Committee's report and resolution were approved.

Motion carried. Atty. Clayton voted nay.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee, that the T.H. Harris Hall Release and Settlement Agreement between the State Office of Facility Planning and Control and Guy Hopkins Construction Company, Inc. be and it is hereby approved.

A substitute motion by Atty. Clayton and seconded by Rev. Tolbert to delay action on this item was withdrawn.

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Informational items in the Committee's reports—

- -Capital Projects, by Campus
- -FY 2012-2013 Capital Outlay Requests, by Campus
- -SUNO Master Programming update by the State Office of Facility Planning and Control

# ITEM 5C. Tobacco Free Policy, SUS

On motion of Atty. Magee, seconded by Mr. Lawson,

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the 100% Tobacco-Free Policy for the Southern University be and it is hereby approved, effective January 2, 2012.

Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM C-1. Proposed Policies and Procedures for Responding to Financial Emergencies within the Southern University System

Board Member Walter Dumas offered revisions to the existing Policies and Procedures for Responding to Financial Emergencies at Southern University. The intent of the revisions, Atty. Dumas advised, is to insure the procedures followed by the Administration in arriving at its recommendation of Item 5D below are accurately reflected. The revised document changes the designation of the primary officer responsible for implementing the policy from the System President to the Campus Chancellor. However, the roles of the System President in advising or

counseling the Chancellor in developing the Financial Emergency Plan; or, in reviewing or recommending the Plan for Board approval have not been changed.

Mr. Lawson offered an amendment to make the revised policy, effective immediately.

An additional amendment was offered by Board Members Patrick Bell and Samuel Tolbert (Section 3B, lines 10-11) to provide for the submission of the Plan to the System President for approval. This amendment was included in the revised document.

On motion of Atty. Dumas, seconded by Rev. Tolbert, the revised policies and procedures for responding to Financial Emergencies within the Southern University System were approved, effective immediately.

Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 5D. Declaration of Financial Emergency/Exigency at SUBR

On motion of Mr. Hendricks, seconded by Dr. Kelly,

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that a financial emergency exists for Southern University – Baton Rouge for the 2011-12 fiscal year, beginning November 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012;

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board authorizes the President and Chancellor to present a retrenchment and academic and administrative reorganizational plan no later than the November Board meeting;

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board hereby approves the revised summer salary formula for faculty;

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board authorizes the President and Chancellor to commence with furloughs of all Southern University – Baton Rouge employees as described in their plan;

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board may take additional actions during the fiscal year to amend, restate, or remove this declaration between now and June 30, 2012.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 14 yeas: Mire, M. Bell, P. Bell, Braxton, Clayton, Dumas, Hendricks, Jefferson, Kelly, Lawson, Magee, Smith, Sumner, and Tolbert; O nays; O abstentions.

# ITEM 5F. Resolutions

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Atty. Magee,

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the following resolutions be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

## Commendations

- Board Member Patrick O. Jefferson's successful bid for the Louisiana House of Representatives
- Candidates who advanced to the run-off elections for State House of Representatives

Board Member Randal Gaines Terry C. Landry, Sr. Katrina Jackson

# Condolences

- The Thomas "Zeus" Hall Family
- The Walter Dewitt Braxton, Sr. Family
- The Joseph McKinley Trusclair Family
- The Lynn Spearman Dickerson Family

# **AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

The following oral and written reports were presented to the Board:

- -Project positive Direction System President
- -Campus Reports Chancellors
- -Admission, Registration and Financial Aid Processes at SUBR

Report details are on file in the Board's Office.

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**AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS** 

None

**AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT** 

On motion of Mr. Bell, the meeting was adjourned.