# **Southern University Board of Supervisors**

Monday, March 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 Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Vice Chairman, Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr. The invocation was given by Mr. Myron K. Lawson.

#### **Present**

Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Vice Chair

Mr. Patrick W. Bell

Atty. Walter C. Dumas

Atty. Warren A. Forstall

Atty. Randale L. Gaines

Mr. Walter Guidry

Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson

Mr. Myron K. Lawson

Atty. Patrick D. Magee

Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery

Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.

Mr. Randale Scott

Mr. Achilles Williams

### **Absent**

Mr. Darren G. Mire, Chairman

Mr. Richard J. Caiton

Atty. Tony M. Clayton

### **University Personnel**

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.

Evola Bates, Chief of Staff

System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton and Tony Moore

Chancellors Ray Belton (SUSLA), Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), and Leodrey Williams (SUSLA), Chancellor Freddie Pitcher (SULC); Vice Chancellor Mwalimu Shujaa representing Chancellor

Kofi Lomotey (SUBR)

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#### **Board Counsel**

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods

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

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

None

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

A. Minutes of the February 25, 2011, regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors

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

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the minutes of the February 25, 2011 regular meeting of the Board be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Committee Reports and Recommendations

On motion of Atty. Forstall, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the following Committee reports and recommendations were approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

1.) Academic Affairs Committee

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the Endowed Professorship appointments listed below be and they are hereby approved.

Dr. Victor Mbarika – The Houston Alumnae Endowed Professorship in Business Administration,
 SUBR

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- -Dr. Stephen J. Jaros The E.C. Harrison Endowed Professorship in Business, SUBR
- -Dr. Mysore Ramaswamy The Peter Moncrieff Endowed Professorship in Business, SUBR
- -Dr. Revathi I. Hines The Alphonse Jackson/Casino Rouge Endowed Professorship.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that approval be and it is hereby given to the Administration to establish the Endowed Professorships listed below:

- -The Caddo Parish Commission Endowed Professorship in Business, SUSLA
- -The Dow Chemical Company Endowed Professorship in Engineering, SU System Foundation
- -The Entergy Corporation Endowed Professorship in Engineering, SU System Foundation
- -The Charles J. Hatfield Endowed Professorship, SU Law Center
- -The Lincoln J. Harrison, Coca Cola Foundation Endowed Professorship in Accounting, SU System Foundation
- -The Coca Cola Foundation Endowed Professorship in International Business, SU System Foundation

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that approval be and it is hereby given to the Administration to establish the Dow Chemical Company First Generation Endowed Scholarships for Undergraduates in the Southern University System Foundation 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 following persons recommended for Faculty Tenure and Promotion on the Southern University at New Orleans Campus be and they are hereby approved.

# <u>Tenure</u>

Dr. Cynthia Singleton, Assistant Professor, Natural Sciences

Dr. Simeon Okpechi, Associate Professor, Business Entrepreneurship

### Promotion

Dr. Cynthia Singleton, Assistant Professor, Natural Sciences

Dr. Cynthia Ramirez, Associate to Full Professor, Arts and Humanities

Dr. Xionga Gao, Associate to Full Professor, Arts and Humanities

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the revised Academic Calendar reflecting first and last days of classes for Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Summer 2012, and Fall 2012 at Southern University — Baton Rouge to accommodate SUBR students who cross register at LSU —Baton Rouge be and they are hereby approved.

#### 2.) Facilities and Property Committee

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee, that the two Small Capital Projects on the Southern University – Baton Rouge Campus indicated below be and they are hereby approved.

-Amphitheater Design and Construction \$400,000 -Hayden Hall Renovations \$450,000

### 3.) Finance and Audit Committee

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that BA-7 #3 to increase the spending authority for self-generated revenues realized by the SU Law Center as a result of increased tuition and enrollment in Fiscal year 2010-11; and, to decrease the

spending authority of the SU-Baton Rouge Campus, due to enrollment numbers being less than projected, 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 request from Southern University — Baton Rouge to **assess** laboratory fees in the Department of Mass Communications, effective Fall 2011, for undergraduate and graduate students, as follows be and it is hereby approved.

\$15.00 - per three-hour lab course for students using the computer lab only

\$25.00 - per three-hour lab course for students using the labs and camera equipment

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that the SU Law Center's request for a non-resident tuition increase on the average of \$1,000 per year over six years, beginning Fall 2011, be and it is hereby approved.

Tuition will be increased over the six-year period to reach a maximum of \$6,600 per year or \$3,300 per semester, in order for the Law Center to meet its LA Grad Act Performance objectives.

Informational Item included in the Committee's report --Annual Financial Statement Audit, SU System

### 4.) Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of The Personnel Affairs Committee, that the request from Professor Cynthia Picou for a family emergency leave of absence with pay, effective February 17, 2011 to May 31, 2011, be and it is hereby approved.

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### C. Resolutions

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Bell,

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that resolutions of condolences to the families listed below be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

- -Dr. Emmett W. Bashful, founding Chancellor of Southern University at New Orleans
- -Mrs. Balistine Tarver Hopkins, mother of former System President Leon Tarver and former State Senator Gregory Tarver
- -Brother of Mr. Lonnie Wilkerson

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

System and Campus Reports were provided by the President and Chancellors. Details are on tape.

### **AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Dennis Brown, National President of the Southern University Alumni Association was recognized. Mr. Brown reported on the Alumni's eagerness to provide financial and moral support to combat current efforts to eliminate the Southern University campus in New Orleans.

The Board members were advised that the System Administration was working closely with the University's alumni on the "Support Our Southern" Campaign.

# **AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Williams, the meeting was adjourned.	
	Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors
	Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors

#### **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Monday, March 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 Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson.

#### **PRESENT**

Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson, Chairman Mr. Walter Guidry, Vice Chairman

Mr. Randale Scott Mr. Achilles Williams

#### **ABSENT**

Atty. Tony M. Clayton Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex Officio

#### UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

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Chancellor Freddie Pitcher (SULC) Dr. Mwalimu Shujaa represented Chancellor Kofi Lomotey
(SUBR)
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#### **BOARD COUNSEL**

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr., and Tracie Woods

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

On motion of Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Guidry, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

None

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

# A. Endowed Professorship Appointments

On motion of Mr. Guidry, seconded by Mr. Scott, the Committee recommends to the Board approval of the following Endowed Professorship Appointments on the Southern University – Baton Rouge Campus.

Motion carried unanimously.

- A. Dr. Victor Mbarika The Houston Alumnae Endowed Professorship in Business Administration, SUBR
- B. Dr. Stephen J. Jaros; The E.C. Harrison Endowed Professorship in Business, SUBR
- C. Dr. Mysore Ramaswamy The Peter Moncrieff Endowed Professorship in Business, SUBR
- D. Dr. Revathi I. Hines The Alphonse Jackson/Casino Rouge Endowed Professorship

### B. Establishment of Endowed Professorships

On motion of Mr. Guidry, seconded by Mr. Scott, the Committee recommends to the Board, the establishment of the following Endowed Professorships.

Motion carried unanimously.

- The Lincoln J. Harrison/Coca Cola Foundation, E.P. in Accounting, SU System Foundation
- Caddo Parish Commission Endowed Professorship in Business, SU-Shreveport
- Dow Chemical Company Endowed Professorship in Engineering, SU System Foundation
- Entergy Corporation Endowed Professorship in Engineering, SU System Foundation

- The Charles J. Hatfield Endowed Professorship, SU Law Center
- The Coca Cola Foundation Endowed Professorship in Business, SU System Foundation
- The Coca Cola Foundation Endowed Professorship in International Business, SU System Foundation

Each professorship is an endowed fund of \$60,000 to be matched by the State of Louisiana with funds from the Louisiana Education Quality Support Fund for Endowed Professorship, on a one to one and one half matching basis.

The Committee's commendations were extended to those individuals for their efforts in securing funding for the professorships.

## C. Endowed Scholarship for Undergraduates, SUSF

On motion of Mr. Guidry, seconded by Mr. Scott, the Committee recommends to the Board approval of the Dow Chemical Company Endowed Undergraduate Scholarship Program for First-Generation College Students in the SU System Foundation.

Motion carried unanimously.

# D. Tenure and Promotion Recommendations, SUNO

On motion of Mr. Guidry, seconded by Mr. Scott, the Committee recommends Board approval of the recommendations for Faculty Tenure and Promotion at Southern University at New Orleans.

Motion carried unanimously.

## <u>Tenure</u>

- -Dr. Cynthia Singleton, Assistant Professor, Natural Sciences
- -Dr. Simeon Okpechi, Associate Professor, Business Entrepreneurship

# **Promotion**

- -Dr. Cynthia Singleton, Assistant to Associate Professor, Natural Sciences
- -Dr. Cynthia Ramirez, Associate to Full Professor, Arts and Humanities
- -Dr. Xionca Gao, Associate to Full Professor, Arts and Humanities

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# E. Proposed Academic Calendar (First and Last Class Days) Fall 2011

On motion of Mr. Guidry, seconded by Mr. Scott, the Committee recommends Board approval of the academic calendar reflecting the first and last days of classes for Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Summer 2012, and Fall 2012 at Southern University — Baton Rouge to accommodate SUBR students who cross register at LSU — Baton Rouge.

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

Dr. Ukpolo reported on SUNO's successful outcome in its SACS reaccreditation efforts.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Mr. Guidry, seconded by Mr Scott, the meeting was adjourned.

## **Finance and Audit Committee**

Monday, March 28, 2011 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building Southern University 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, Chair Atty. Warren A. Forstall, Vice Chair Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson Mr. Randale Scott

#### **Absent**

Atty. Walter C. Dumas Mr. Lea P. Montgomery Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex Officio

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Kofi Lomotey (SUBR)

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# **Board Counsel**

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr., and Tracie Woods

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

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

None

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**AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS** 

A. BA-7, Number 3, SULC and SUBR

On motion of Atty. Forstall, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the Committee recommends Board approval of BA-7 #3 to increase the spending authority for self-generated revenues realized by the SU Law Center as a result of increased tuition and enrollment in Fiscal Year 2010-11; and, to decrease spending authority of the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus due to enrollment numbers being less than projected.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Laboratory Fee, SUBR Mass

On motion of Atty. Forstall, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the Committee recommends Board approval to the Southern University – Baton Rouge Campus assess laboratory fees in the Department of Mass Communications, effective Fall 2011, as follows, for undergraduate and graduate students.

\$15.00 per three-hour lab course for students using the computer lab only

\$25.00 per three-hour lab course for students using the labs and camera equipment

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Non-Resident Tuition Fee Increase, SULC

On motion of Atty. Forstall, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the Committee recommends Board approval of Non-Resident tuition increase on the average of \$1,000 per year over the next six years, beginning Fall 2011 at Southern University Law Center.

Motion carried unanimously.

Tuition will be increased to \$6,600 per year or \$3,300 per semester. The increase was required in order for the Law Center to meet its LA Grad Act Performance objectives.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATIONAL ITEM** 

A. Annual Financial Statement Audit, SU System

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The Committee received a written summary of audit findings for Fiscal Year 2008-09 and 2009-10 which delineated material weaknesses and significant deficiencies in internal controls, by campus.

A report on the Federal Audit findings will be given to the Committee at its April meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS** 

None

**AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT** 

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

#### PERSONNEL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Monday, March 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 Chair, Atty. Warren A. Forstall.

#### **PRESENT**

Atty. Warren A. Forstall, Chairman Mr. Patrick W. Bell, Vice Chairman Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson Mr. Randale Scott

### **ABSENT**

Mr. Richard J. Caiton Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex Officio

#### UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

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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 Mr. Scott, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

None

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# **AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS**

A. Family Emergency Medical Leave of Absence, SULC

On motion of Atty. Jefferson, seconded by Mr. Scott, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the request from Professor Cynthia Picou for a family emergency leave of absence with pay, effective February 17, 2011 to May 31, 2011.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS** 

None

### **AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Atty. Jefferson, seconded by Mr. Scott, the meeting was adjourned.

# **Facilities and Property Committee**

Monday, March 28, 2011 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building Southern University 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, Mr. Walter Guidry.

#### **Present**

Mr. Walter Guidry, Chair Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Vice Chair Atty. Warren A. Forstall Mr. Myron K. Lawson Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.

#### **Absent**

Mr. Richard J. Caiton Atty. Walter C. Dumas Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex Officio

### **University Personnel**

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Lomotey(SUBR)

#### **Board Counsel**

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr., and Tracie Woods

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

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

None

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

A. Small Capital Projects, SUBR

On motion of Atty. Forstall, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the Committee recommends Board approval of the following Small Capital Projects on the SU-Baton Rouge Campus.

Motion carried unanimously.

- Amphitheater Design and Construction \$400,000

- Hayden Hall Renovations \$450,000

**AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS** 

None

**AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS** 

None

**AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT** 

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

#### ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

3:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, 2011 J.S. Clark Administration Building

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. The invocation was given by Atty. Tony M. Clayton.

### **PRESENT**

Atty. Patrick D. Magee, Chairman

Mr. Achilles Williams, Vice Chairman

Mr. Patrick W. Bell

Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr.

Mr. Richard J. Caiton

Mr. Myron K. Lawson

Mr. Randale Scott

Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex-Officio

### **ABSENT**

None

# **UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING**

Chancellor Kofi Lomotey (SUBR)

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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. Scott, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

# AGENDA ITEM 4: WAIVER OF THE TEN-DAY ADVANCE NOTICE REQUIREMENT FOR MEETINGS

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Williams, the Committee approved the waiver of the ten-day advance notice required for the meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 5: PUBLIC COMMENTS** 

None

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

A. Termination Hearing for Mr. Robert Spivery, Head Coach of Men's Basketball, SUBR (Executive Session)

Coach Spivery requested through his counsel, Atty. Donald Dobbins, that his hearing be held in an executive session.

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Atty. Bell, the Committee convened into an executive session to hold the termination hearing for Mr. Robert Spivery, Head Coach of Men's Basketball at Southern University – Baton Rouge.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 7 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions

-EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Committee Member Patrick Bell arrived at the meeting.

-OPEN SESSION-

On motion of Mr. Caiton, seconded by Mr. Bell, the Committee reconvened into open session.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 8 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions

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On motion of Atty. Bell, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the Committee voted to defer this matter to the System President for his recommendation to the Board at its April 29, 2011 meeting.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 8 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions

B. Recommendation

None

### **AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT**

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