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SPECIAL RECOGNITION COMMITTEE

August 16, 2024

Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room
J. S. Clark Administration Bldg. 2nd Floor
Baton Rouge, LA.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
3. Special Presentation (s)
 - A. Above and Beyond
 - a. Student
 - b. Faculty/Staff
4. Adjournment

MEMBERS

Mr. Myron K. Lawson – Chairman, Dr. Rani Whitfield – Vice Chair, Dr. Leon Tarver, II,
Ms. Ann Smith Atty. Domoine Rutledge, Mr. Sam Gilliam, Rev. Dr. Samuel Tolbert, Atty. Tony Clayton,
Atty. Edwin Shorty and Dr. Arlanda Williams
Mr. Myron K. Lawson – Ex Officio

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ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE **(Following Special Recognition Committee)**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Public Comments
5. Action Item(s)
 - A. Request Approval of SACSCOC Governance Compliance Standards 4.2a, 4.2d, & 4.2g
 - SACSCOC Standard 4.2a (Mission Review) – Campus Mission Statements are submitted for the Board’s annual review.
 - SACSCOC Standard 4.2d (Conflict of Interest), A blank Conflict of Interest Form is attached that needs to be completed by each Board Member.
 - SACSCOC Standard 4.2g (Board Self-Evaluation) – A blank Board Self-Evaluation Form is attached that needs to be completed by each Board Member.
 - B. Request Approval of Academic Plans for SUBR, SUNO and SUSLA
 - C. Request Approval of Resolution Request to Grant a Posthumous Degree for Napoleon Gallien, Jr. (SUBR)
 - D. Request Approval to Award Vice Chancellor Roderick White the Title of Vice Chancellor Emeritus (SULC)
 - E. Request Approval of Resolution for Summer 2024 Graduates (SUBR)

6. Other Business

7. Adjournment

MEMBERS

Dr. Leon Tarver, II - Chairman, Mr. Sam Gilliam –Vice-Chair, Atty Tony Clayton, Mrs. Maple
Gaines, Mrs. Ann Smith, and Dr. Arlanda Williams
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FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE **(Following Academic Affairs Committee)**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Public Comments
5. Informational Item(s)
 - A. Facilities Update (SUS)
 - HB940 Deferred Maintenance Update
 - Defense Community Infrastructure Program Grant submission
The Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP) grant is catered to supporting programs at educational institutions, providing infrastructure funding to enhance military value, increase recruitment potential, and support improved training for cadets at educational institutions. Through SUBR, funding has been requested to construct a new ROTC complex which will improve the quality of education and training for future military leaders while addressing the university's infrastructure needs. Due to its strategic location and capabilities, this complex will also be used as a joint emergency planning and operations center providing incident command and training support to city, state, and federal first responders for hazards.
6. Other Business
7. Adjournment

MEMBERS

Atty Edwin Shorty - Chairman, Atty Domoine Rutledge – Vice-Chair,
Mr. Paul Matthews, Mrs. Ann Smith, Dr. Leon Tarver, II and Dr. Rani Whitfield
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FINANCE COMMITTEE **(Following Facilities and Property Committee)**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Public Comments
5. Action Item
 - A. Request Approval of FY 2024-2025 Operating Budgets (SUS)
 - Southern University System Budget Narrative
 - Southern University System Employee Schedule
 - Southern University Board and System Administration Operating Budget
 - Southern University Board and System Inter-Institutional Cost Transfer Budget
 - Southern University Board and System Administration Inter-Institutional Transfers Direct Charges Budget
 - Southern University Board and System Special Meals and Miscellaneous Travel Budget
 - Southern University Baton Rouge Campus Operating Budget
 - Southern University Law Center Operating Budget
 - Southern University New Orleans Campus Operating Budget
 - Southern University Shreveport Campus Operating Budget
 - Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center Operating Budget
 - SUBR Athletics Intercollegiate Budget
 - SUNO Athletics Budget
 - SUSLA Athletics Budget
 - B. Request Approval to Cancel the HBCU Loan for the Student Union and Dormitory Projects (SUS)
6. Other Business

7. Adjournment

MEMBERS

Dr. Arlanda Williams- Chairman, Ms. Ann Smith – Vice-Chair,
Mr. Sam Gilliam, Mrs. Christy Reeves, Atty. Domoine Rutledge, and Dr. Leon Tarver, II
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LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (Following Finance Committee)

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Public Comments
5. Action Item(s)

- A. Request Approval of Contracts, Amendments, Agreements, Grants, etc...
Equal to or Greater than \$300,000.00

Title	Description	Amount	Campus
1. Synergy Building Solution, LLC.	Synergy Building Solutions shall furnish all labor and materials and perform all the work required to provide preventive maintenance services, troubleshoot and resolve day-to-day HVAC issues, and provide consultative services to improve operational efficiency and be performed in a thorough and workmanlike manner for the SUNO Park and Lake campuses as well as Residential Housing buildings.	\$582,000.00	SUNO HVAC
2. USDA, Forest Service Southern Region	Federal Financial Assistance Award of Domestic Grant between the USDA, Forest Service and Southern University The program title called "Inflation Reduction Act Urban and Community Forestry Expansion." is intended to reforest areas in Louisiana that were devastated by inclement weather. (Hurricanes, Floods and Drought)	\$9,504,066.00	SUBR
3. Gallagher Basset Insurance Company	Blanket Student Accident Policy for all SUS Students and Annual Intercollegiate Sports Accident Insurance Renewal for SUBR, SUNO, and SUSLA in accordance with division requirements	\$421,113 for athletic policies and \$27/student for accident	SUS

6. Informational Item(s)¹

Discussion re Strategy and Status of Suit against Travelers, et al. Docket No. 649,834. Executive session will be required pursuant to LSA-R.S. 42:17.

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7. Other Business

8. Adjournment

MEMBERS

Atty. Tony Clayton– Chair, Atty. Domoine Rutledge – Vice Chair
Atty. Edwin Shorty, Miss Dana Bailey, Ms. Christy O. Reeves, Ms. Maple L. Gaines
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PERSONNEL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (Following Legal Affairs Committee)

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Public Comments
5. Action Item(s)

A. Request Approval of Personnel Action on Positions Equal to or Greater than \$60,000.00 (SUBR)

Name	Position/Department	Personnel Action	Waived/Search	Salary		Funding Source
				Previous	Suggested	
1. Arthur Jack	Director of Advancement <i>College of Science and Engineering</i>	Existing Position New Appointment	<i>Search</i>	\$90,000.00	\$80,000.00	State
2. Sara Martin	Student Services Coordinator <i>School of Education</i>	New Position New Appointment	<i>Search</i>	—	\$60,000.00	Federal
3. Zhu Ning	College of Agriculture	Salary Adjustment No Title Change	<i>N/A</i>	\$90,843.00	\$110,843.00	79.4% State 20.6% Federal
4. Everett Todd	Assistant Football Coach <i>Athletics</i>	Existing Position Extension	<i>N/A</i>	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	State
5. Neil Werries	Technical Director of Theater <i>Fine and Performing Arts</i>	Existing Position New Appointment	<i>Waived</i>	\$50,000.00 - 9-month	\$65,000.00 - 12-month	State

B. Request Approval of Personnel Action on Positions Equal to or Greater than \$60,000.00 (SUNO)

Name	Position/Department	Personnel Action	Waived/Search	Salary		Funding Source
				Previous	Suggested	
1. Kimberly Beechler	Nursing Skills Simulation Lab Coordinator	Existing Position New Appointment	<i>Search</i>	—	\$70,000.00	Federal

C. Request Approval of Personnel Action on Positions Equal to or Greater than \$60,000.00 (SUAREC)

Name	Position/Department	Personnel Action	Waived/Search	Salary		Funding Source
				Previous	Suggested	
1. Latasha George	Assistant Comptroller <i>Finance</i>	Existing Position New Appointment	<i>Internal Promotion</i>	\$48,000.00	\$65,000.00	State
2. Devender Rapolu	Network Database Admin/ Web Specialist <i>Technology</i>	Salary Adjustment	<i>N/A</i>	\$65,000.00	\$75,000.00	State
3. Katara Williams	VC Institutional Advancement/ External Relations	Salary Adjustment	<i>N/A</i>	\$164,674.00	\$175,000.00	State

D. Request Approval to Implement Raises up to 3% for ELIGIBLE Employees (SUAREC)

The impact of this proposed increase equates to \$288,467 in salaries and \$103,719 in fringe benefits, at a total cost of \$392,186. The following is a breakdown of funds and funding sources:

- General Fund Unclassified Salary Increase: 157,976, Fringe: 58,084
- Extension Federal Salary Increase: 54,243, Fringe: 19,550
- Research Federal Salary Increase: 40,000, Fringe: 12,550
- Extension Other: Salary Increase: 30,248, Fringe: 12,035
- Research Other: Salary Increase: 6,000, Fringe: 1,500

6. Other Business

7. Adjournment

MEMBERS

Mr. Sam Gilliam - Chairman, Mrs. Christy Reeves - Vice-Chair,
Atty. Tony Clayton, Ms. Zazell Dudley, Dr. Leon Tarver, II, and Dr. Arlanda Williams,
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SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (Following Personnel Affairs Committee)

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Public Comments
5. Resolutions
6. Action Item(s)
 - A. Request Approval of Minutes of the July 19, 2024, SUS Board of Supervisors Meeting
 - B. Request Approval of Committee Reports and Recommendations
7. Informational Item(s)
 - A. Legislative Updates
 - B. Presidential Report
 - C. Chancellor's Reports
8. Other Business
9. Adjournment