MINUTES

The Special Meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by Chairman, Mr. Johnny G. Anderson. The invocation was given by Reverend Jesse Bilberry.

PRESENT
Mr. Johnny G. Anderson, Chairman
Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Vice Chairman
Atty. Dale N. Atkins
Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry
Mr. Richard J. Caiton
Atty. Warren Forstall
Mr. Walter Guidry
Mr. Louis Miller
Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery
Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.
Miss Alfi C. Patterson, Student Member
Mr. Achilles Williams

ABSENT
Atty. Tony Clayton

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL MEETING
System President Ralph Slaughter
Vice President Tolor White
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Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr., Board Counsel
AGENDA ITEM 3: WAIVER OF ADVANCE NOTICE REQUIREMENT FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Atty. Forstall, the Board voted to waive the ten (10) day notice required to hold a Special Board Meeting; and further, deemed that the notice provided to all Board Members, pursuant to Louisiana’s Public Meeting Law was sufficient for this meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 5: PUBLIC COMMENTS

Atty. Domoine Rutledge, National Alumni President, advised the Board of the formal action taken by the Alumni Federation at its recent conference in Memphis, TN, regarding the “Ralph Slaughter v. Board of Supervisors” lawsuit. The Federation’s action, passed in the form of a resolution, called on the Board of Supervisors to exhaust all avenues that will lead to an amicable settlement of the lawsuit and thereby avoid lengthy and costly litigation in this matter.

AGENDA ITEM 6: DISCUSSION OF LITIGATION “DR. RALPH SLAUGHTER V. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS , ET. AL.,” CIVIL ACTION 107-379-C, USDC MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA (EXECUTIVE SESSION)

On motion of Miss Patterson, seconded by Atty. Forstall, the Board convened into an executive session to discuss litigation in the “Dr. Ralph Slaughter v. Board of Supervisors, et. al.” Civil Action 07-379-C, USDC, Middle District of Louisiana.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 12 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.
-EXECUTIVE SESSION-

-OPEN SESSION-

On motion of Mr. Nash, seconded by Mr. Caiton, the Board reconvened into open session.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 12 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ACTIONS RELATED TO "DR. RALPH SLAUGHTER V. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ET. AL.," CIVIL ACTION 07-379C, MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

On motion of Mr. Williams, seconded by Atty. Forstall, the Board voted to engage in mediation with Dr. Ralph Slaughter; and, to authorize the Board Chairman to appoint three members to participate in the mediation as representatives of the Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

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On motion of Atty. Forstall, seconded by Mr. Nash, the Board voted to authorize its Attorneys to file an appeal of the District Court’s decision if the mediation scheduled for tomorrow (July 31) fails to effect a resolution of the litigation.

Motion carried unanimously.
AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

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

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Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

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Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors