Southern University Board of Supervisors
Friday, May 13, 2011
2nd 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 Chairman, Mr. Darren G. Mire. The invocation was given by Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson.

Present
Mr. Darren G. Mire, Chairman
Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Vice Chairman
Mr. Patrick W. Bell
Mr. Richard J. Caiton
Atty. Randale L. Gaines
Mr. Walter Guidry
Mr. Myron K. Lawson
Atty. Patrick D. Magee
Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.
Mr. Randale Scott

Absent
Atty. Tony M. Clayton
Atty. Walter C. Dumas
Atty. Warren A. Forstall
Atty. Patrick D. Magee
Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery
Mr. Achilles Williams

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 (UNO), and Leodrey Williams (SUSLA), Chancellor Freddie Pitcher (SULC); and Chancellor Kofi Lomotey (SUBR)

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Board Counsel
Atty. Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods
AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Amendment: Add Item 5C: Legislative Update
5D: Ethics Disclosure

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Mr. Randale Scott was recognized and presented an award of appreciation from the Board for his service as the Student Representative for the 2010-2011 year. Mr. Scott expressed his gratitude for having the opportunity to serve on the Board. He also announced that he has been admitted to the SU Law Center in Fall 2011.

AGENDA ITEM 6: ACTION ITEMS

A. Minutes of the April 29, 2011 regular meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors

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

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the minutes of the April 29, 2011 regular meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6B: COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

On motion of Mr. Caiton, seconded by Atty. Bell, the following resolutions were approved.
Motion carried unanimously.

1.) Finance and Audit Committee

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that tuition increase listed below academic years 2011 through 2015 at Southern University at New Orleans be and they are hereby approved.

- Grad Act – 5%
- 3-4-5 Plan – 5%
- Out-of-State fee - 18.9%

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that tuition increases listed below for academic years 2011 through 2015 at Southern University – Shreveport be and they are hereby approved.

- Grad Act – 5%
- 3-4-5 Plan – 4%

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Informational Reports
- Impact of Changes in Pell Grants Federal Guidelines for Summer School
- Summary of 2010-2011 Operating Budget and Projected Fiscal Impact of the 2011-2012 Executive Budget
- 2009-2010 Audit Findings and Corrective Action Plans
- Southern University operations and process support.
- Banner Project Implementation

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 Committee’s informational report be and it is hereby received.

Informational Items
- Priority Capital Projects, by Campus, as of May 2, 2011
- SUBR Evacuation Plan in case of flooding potential materializes
3.) S.U. Laboratory School Committee

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University upon the recommendation of the Laboratory School Committee, that the Committee’s informational report be and it is hereby received.

Informational Report – Update on the SU Laboratory School

4.) Academic Affairs Committee

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the Tenure Appeal Review Procedures for the Board of Supervisors be and it is hereby approved, as amended.

The amendment deletes the word “confidential” from Item 2, line 1.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the administration’s recommendation be and it is hereby upheld and the tenure appeal of Mr. Grant Burns at SUNO be and it is hereby denied.

C. Resolutions

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

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that condolences be and are hereby extended to the families listed below:

- The Ronald P. Townsend, Jr., Family
- The Mose Jefferson Family

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that congratulations be and they are hereby extended to:

**2011 Pinkie Gordon Lane Poetry Winners**
Destinee Hamilton, MSA Academy – 1st Place
Lea M. Fisher, BR Magnet High – 2nd Place
Jasmine Moore, SUBR – 3rd Place

**Honorable Mention**
Amanda Gibson – SUBR
Quintele Jackson – MSA Academy West
Russell Ledet – SUBR
Brycton Marshall – EBR Laboratory Academy
Dyadra Saulsberry - MSA Academy West

**Chancellor’s Student Award for Academic Excellence**

**Business and Industry Cluster Award**
Stephone Addison – Faculty
Tracie Barton – Staff
Lakeeslia Giddens – Staff
Leslie Grover – Faculty
Darryl Harris – Staff
Vineeta Hingorani – Faculty
Sunj Chul No – Faculty
Terry Steward – Staff
Rae Uppa – Faculty
Jonas Vanderbilt - Staff

**AGENDA ITEM 7: INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

A. System’s Report – Project Positive Direction

B. Chancellor’s Report

Reports are on file in the Board’s Office.
C. Legislative Update

Mr. Patrick Bell reported that HB537 to merge SUNO and UNO recently was passed by the House Education Committee. The bill was subsequently pulled for a hearing on the floor of the House which is scheduled to take place at 2:00 p.m., Monday, May 16, 2011.

D. Ethics Disclosure

Mr. Bell reminded Board Members that their completed ethics disclosure forms should be filed on May 14.

AGENDA ITEM 8: OTHER BUSINESS

None

AGENDA ITEM 9: ADJOURNMENT

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

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Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

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Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors
FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE
1:30 p.m.
Friday, May 13, 2011
2nd 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. The invocation was given by Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson.

PRESENT
Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Chairman
Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson
Mr. Randale Scott
Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex Officio

Board Members Atty. Randale Gaines, Mr. Walter Guidry and Mr. Patrick Bell were appointed to the Committee to effect a quorum.

ABSENT
Atty. Warren Forstall, Vice Chairman
Atty. Walter C. Dumas
Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery

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), Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), and Leodrey Williams (SUSLA)
Chancellor Freddie Pitcher (SULC) and Kofi Lomotey (SUBR)

BOARD COUNSEL
Atty's. Winston DeCuir, Jr., and Tracie Woods

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

Motion carried unanimously.
AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS
None

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS
A. Reallocation of Law Center Graduation Fees, SULC
B. Fee Increases, AY 2011-2015, SUNO
C. Fee Increases, AY 2011-2012, SUSLA

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the following:

- Reallocation of the graduation fee of $25.00 per Law Center graduate from the SU Alumni Federation to the SU Law Center to support its alumni activities

- Tuition increases, effective academic years 2011 through 2015 at Southern University at New Orleans
  - Grad Act – 5%
  - 3-4-5 Plan – 5%
  - Out-of-State fee – 18.9%

- Tuition Increases, effective academic year 2011 -2012 at Southern University – Shreveport
  - Grad Act – 5%
  - 3-4-5 Plan – 4%

AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. Impact of Changes in the Pell Grant Federal Guidelines for Summer School

The Committee acknowledged receipt of the report from the Administration delineating the manner in which summer school would be impacted on each campus as a result of changes in the Pell Grant Federal Guidelines.

AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Kevin Appleton, System Vice President for Finance, presented an update in the following areas:
The 2010-2011 Operating Budget and projected fiscal impact of the 2011-2012 Executive Budget on entities of the SU System;
- 2009-2010 Audit Findings and Corrective Action Plans; and,
- The University's operations and process support. A full report of observations, findings and recommendations in this area will be presented at the June 24 meeting.

Mr. Tony Moore, System Vice President for Information Technology, provided an update on Banner System implementation on the three campuses in Finance, Human Resources, and Student Data Migration for 2011 and for Supplemental Modules.

AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT

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

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Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

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Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors
FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE  
Friday, May 13, 2011  
2nd 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, Mr. Walter Guidry.

PRESENT  
Mr. Walter Guidry, Chairman  
Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Richard J. Calton  
Atty. Myron K. Lawson  
Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.  
Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex Officio

ABSENT  
Atty. Walter C. Dumas  
Atty. Warren Forstall

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), Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), and Leodrey Williams (SUSLA)  
Chancellor Freddie Pitcher (SULC) and Kofi Lomotey (SUBR)  
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BOARD COUNSEL  
Atty. Winston DeCuir, Jr., and Tracie Woods

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

Motion carried unanimously.
AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. Priority Capital Projects Update

The Committee acknowledged receipt of the written update submitted by the Administration relative to the status of priority capital projects on each campus, as of May 2, 2011.

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee was advised of SUBR’s evacuation plan and the use of sandbags in the event of flooding.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

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

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Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

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Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors
SU LABORATORY SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Friday, May 13, 2011
2nd Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University and A & M College
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Minutes

The meeting of the Laboratory School Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.

PRESENT
Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr. Chairman
Mr. Richard J. Caiton
Mr. Myron K. Lawson
Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex Officio

ABSENT
Atty. Walter C. Dumas, Vice 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), Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), and Leodrey Williams (SUSLA)
Chancellor Freddie Pitcher (SULC) and Kofi Lomotey (SUBR)
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BOARD COUNSEL
Atty's. Winston DeCuir, Jr., and Tracie Woods

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS
None
AGENDA ITEM 5: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. Status Report on the SU Laboratory School

   Committee Chairman Nash presented Ms. Akillah Ali, SU System Policy Analyst; and, Dr. Ronnie Harrison, newly-appointed Director of the Laboratory School to make the report.

   Ms. Ali provided a historical account relative to the establishment and evolution of the Lab School on the Southern University Campus in Baton Rouge. She also reported on the appointment of a Select Committee at the level of the Board of Supervisors in 2006 which conducted an assessment of the School and formulated recommendations for its enhancement and continued viability in the areas of enrollment, facilities and finances. The current! Committee was recently activated to ensure the continuing success of the Laboratory School.

   Dr. Ronnie Harrison provided an update on the continuing progress being made at the Lab School. He noted that the Administration, along with faculty and parents, were working assiduously to address issues and concerns and foster the implementation of innovative policies and practices. He cited as an example of the innovative teaching and learning experiences offered at the Lab School, a movie created by the School’s Movie Production Class which was recently viewed at a local Baton Rouge Theater. Positioning the Lab School to be the focal point for academic research and other educational opportunities for students is a priority objective of the administration.

   Dr. Harrison extended an invitation to the Committee and Administration to visit the School at any time.

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

None
AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

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

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Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

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Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Friday, May 13, 2011
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Minutes

The meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson.

PRESENT
Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson
Mr. Walter Guidry, Vice Chairman
Mr. Randale Scott
Mr. Darren G. Mire, Ex Officio
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Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr. and Mr. Myron K. Lawson were appointed to the Committee to effect a quorum.

ABSENT
Atty. Tony M. Clayton
Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery
Mr. Achilles Williams

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), Kofi Lomotey (SUBR), Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), and Leodrey Williams (SUSLA)
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BOARD COUNSEL
Attns. 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: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS

A. Tenure Appeal Review Procedures

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Atty. Bell, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the Tenure Appeal Review Procedures for the Board of Supervisors, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

The policy was amended to delete the word “confidential” from Item 2, line 1.

B. Tenure Appeal for M. Grant Burns, SUNO

On motion of Atty. Bell, seconded by Mr. Guidry, the Committee convened into an executive session to consider the tenure appeal of Mr. Grant Burns, SUNO.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 6 yeas: Jefferson, Guidry, Scott, Mire, Bell, and Lawson; 0 nays; 0 abstentions.

Mr. Burns indicated his preference for having his appeal discussed in an executive session.

-EXECUTIVE SESSION-

-OPEN SESSION-

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Scott, the Committee returned to open session.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 6 yeas: Jefferson, Guidry, Scott, Mire, Bell, and Lawson; 0 nays; 0 abstentions.
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On motion of Mr. Guidry, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the Committee recommends to the Board, to uphold the Administration's recommendation and to deny the tenure appeal of Mr. Grant Burns.

Motion carried. Roll call vote: 5 yea: Jefferson, Guidry, Mire, M. Bell, and Lawson; 1 nay: Scott; 0 abstentions

AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

None

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

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

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Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

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Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors