

Southern University Board of Supervisors

10:00 A.M.

Saturday, July 21, 1990

La Salle Ballroom
Intercontinental Hotel
New Orleans, Louisiana

MINUTES

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the chairman, Mr. Willie T. Sensley. The invocation was given by Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.

PRESENT

Mr. Willie T. Sensley, Chairman
Mr. Bobby D. Higginbotham, Vice-Chairman
Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.
Mr. Curley M. Dossman
Mrs. Pearlle H. Elloie
Mr. James L. Florent
Dr. Robert Gaston
Dr. James Meza, Jr.
Mr. Roscoe J. Moore
Mr. Gerald T. Peltier
Mr. Joe A. Terrell
Mrs. Joyous Van Buskirk

ABSENT

Mr. Mack Abraham
Rev. Joe R. Gant
Dr. E.C. Harrison
Atty. Willie Hunter, Jr.
Ms. Alethea Skinner

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

President/Chancellor Dolores R. Spikes, Secretary to the Board
Chancellors B.K. Agnihotri, Robert Gex and Robert Smith
Vice-Chancellors O. Bell, C. Cunningham, S. Gilliam, W. Moore, and
M. Yates
Messrs. T. Butler, C. Lewis and L. McGhee

AGENDA ITEM 4: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Mr. Florent, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

Amendments:

Item 8: Personnel Recommendations

Add: SUBR: Forms 44 - 57
 SUNO: Forms 58 - 59; and 61
 SULC: Form 60

Delete: Form 21, SUSBO

Item 13a: Request for approval of Drug Education/
 Prevention Policies, S.U. System

13b: Report on ticket arrangements, L.A. Classic

13c: Report on HCR 199

13d: Executive Session re Joffre T. Whisenton litigation

AGENDA ITEM 5: MINUTES OF THE JUNE 23, 1990 BOARD MEETING

On motion of Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the minutes of the June 23, 1990 meeting were approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6: DESEGREGATION LITIGATION AND HIGHER EDUCATION GOVERNANCE

Atty. William Jefferson presented an update on action by the Louisiana Legislature during the 1990 Regular Session regarding higher education governance. A Single Board Bill was voted on by the Senate and the House of Representatives, but failed to get approval.

Atty. Jefferson spoke at length on current issues affecting the higher education desegregation case. These issues are not expected to be resolved in the immediate future.

AGENDA ITEM 7: COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC AND FACULTY AFFAIRS/PERSONNEL POLICY COMMITTEE

On motion of Dr. Gaston, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved the resolution in regards to candidates for degrees during the 1990 Summer Commencement.

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Dr. Gaston, seconded by Rev. Bilberry, the Board accepted the status report on the accreditation of the Law Center.

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Dr. Gaston, seconded by Mr. Higginbotham, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved the revision to the Policy for Residency Status to provide for admission of Louisiana Correctional Institution inmates graduating from out-of-state high schools or presenting GEDs from out-of-state institutions.

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Dr. Gaston, seconded by Mrs. Elloie, the Board approved the report of the Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

FACILITIES, PROPERTY AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board accepted the status report on the 1990-91 Capital Outlay funding for the Southern University System.

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Dr. Gaston, the Board approved the report of the Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCE AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mrs. Elloie, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved the tuition discounts during the 1990 Summer Session for SUBR and SUNO employees/ dependents.

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board approved the report of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 8: PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

On motion of Mr. Terrell, seconded by Mrs. Van Buskirk, the Board approved personnel recommendations, evidenced by forms listed below.

Motion carried unanimously.

SUBR: Forms 1-11; 30-35; and 43-57
SUNO: Forms 12-17; 36-37; 58-59; and 61
SUSBO: Forms 18-20; 22-27; and 38-42
SULC: Form 60

**AGENDA ITEM 9: LEGAL REPRESENTATION IN THE HIGHER EDUCATION
DESEGREGATION SUIT**

On motion of Mr. Terrell, seconded by Rev. Bilberry, the Board approved legal expenses for June 1990; and, the legal services contract between Southern University and the law firm of Jefferson, Bryan, Jupiter, Lewis, and Blanson for fiscal year 1990-91.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 10: CONTRACT FOR LEGAL SERVICES WITH ATTY. WINSTON
DECUIR**

On motion of Mrs. Van Buskirk, seconded by Mr. Terrell, the Board approved the legal services contract between the Southern University Board of Supervisors and Winston G. DeCuir and Associates for fiscal year 1990-91.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 11: RESOLUTION

On motion of Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Mr. Florent, the Board approved a resolution of condolences to the Herschel S. White, Sr. Family.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 12: APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE STRUCTURE AND STAFFING NEEDS OF THE S.U. SYSTEM THROUGH THE THE LEVEL OF THE CHANCELLORS

On motion of Mr. Terrell, seconded by Mrs. Elloie, the Board approved the appointment of members of the Executive Committee to serve as the Committee to review the structure and staffing needs of the S.U. System through the level of the Chancellors.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee's composition is as follows:

Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Chairman
Mr. Curley M. Dossman, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Mack Abraham
Mrs. Pearlle H. Elloie
Dr. E.C. Harrison
Mr. Gerald T. Peltier
Ms. Alethea Skinner
Mr. Joe A. Terrell
Mr. Bobby D. Higginbotham
Mr. Willie T. Sensley

The Committee was scheduled to meet Tuesday, August 14 at 10 a.m. on the Southern University-Baton Rouge campus.

AGENDA ITEM 13: OTHER BUSINESS

A. DRUG EDUCATION/PREVENTION POLICIES

On motion of Mrs. Elloie, seconded by Mr. Peltier, the Board approved the Drug Education and Prevention Policies for the Southern University System.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE LOS ANGELES FOOTBALL CLASSIC

On motion of Mr. Terrell, seconded by Rev. Bilberry, the Board received the report on travel arrangements to the football game between Southern University and Howard University on September 2 in Los Angeles.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 199

Mrs. Van Buskirk provided a status report on HCR 199 which seeks to increase the number of certified minority public school

teachers in Louisiana. A copy of the resolution will be presented to the Board at its August meeting.

Mr. Peltier indicated another problem facing minority public school teachers in the State was their failure to gain promotions within their respective school systems. This problem can be addressed, he advised, by electing school board members who will support promotions for minority school teachers.

D. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Mrs. Van Buskirk, the Board convened into executive session to hear a status report on the Joffre T. Whisenton litigation.

Motion carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION

On motion of Mr. Florent, seconded by Dr. Meza, the Board reconvened into open session.

Motion carried unanimously.

Former S.U. Board Members, Ivory J. Beloney and Ray O. Wright, were among visiting alumni whose presence was recognized by the Board.

Chancellors B.K. Agnihotri, R. Gex and R. Smith, and Chancellor Emeritus E. Bashful were introduced to visiting alumni.

Remarks were tendered by Dr. James Freemont, on behalf of the S.U. Alumni Federation and Mrs. Rebecca Cureau, SUBR, on behalf on the Frank Hayden Memorial Committee.

AGENDA ITEM 14: ADJOURNMENT

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

Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors

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