

*SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
10:00 A.M.
SATURDAY, MAY 23, 1992
AUDIO-VISUAL ROOM, J.S. CLARK EDUCATION BUILDING
SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY - NEW ORLEANS CAMPUS*

MINUTES

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Mr. Frank Williams, Jr.

The invocation was given by Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry.

PRESENT

*Mr. Frank Williams, Jr. - Chairman
Mr. Curley M. Dossman - Vice Chairman
Mr. Mack Abraham
Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.
Atty. Edselle Cunningham
Mr. Patrick Fontenot
Rev. Joe R. Gant
Mr. Allen J. Hamilton
Mr. Bobby D. Higginbotham*

*Mrs. Nina H. Marchand
Dr. James Meza, Jr.
Mr. Roscoe J. Moore
Mr. Franklin Owens
Dr. Jenny D. Phillips
Mr. Willie T. Sensley, Sr.
Mr. Kent Smith, Jr.
Dr. Jesse N. Stone, Jr.*

ABSENT

Mrs. Pearl H. Elloie

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

*President Dolores R. Spikes, Secretary to the Board
Vice President Tolor E. White
Chancellors B.K. Agnihotri, Robert Gex, Robert Smith, and Marvin Yates
Vice Chancellors M. Bartley, J. Bouie, C. Cunningham, S. Gilliam, J. Hoffman, A. Jefferson,
T. Jones, W. Moore, Junius Robinson, and Juanita Robinson
Dr. R. Jackson, Mrs. G. Thompson and Ms. G. Marzett
Messrs. T. Butler, C. Lewis, M. Casem, L. McGhee, and Dr. L. Williams*

Chairman Williams extended commendations on behalf of the Board to Chancellor Gex for the hospitality displayed to the Board while on the SUNO campus.

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Dr. Stone, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

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AMENDMENTS:

- Add: Item 7F. Executive Committee's Report*
- Item 9F. SUNO: Forms 26 - 60*
- Item 9G. S.U. System: Forms 61 and 66*
- Item 9H. SUBR: Forms 62 - 65*
- Item 9I. SULC: Forms 67 - 70*
- Item 9J. Recommendations for Suspensions: Form 71 - SUNO
Form 72 - SUBR*
- Item 9K. SUBR: Form 73*
- Item 9L. SUSBO: Form 74*

Add to 7D. Finance and Business Affairs Committee: Internal Auditor

AGENDA ITEM 4: MINUTES OF THE APRIL 25, 1992 BOARD MEETING

On motion of Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the minutes of the April 25, 1992 Board meeting were approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 5: REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CHANCELLORS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Spikes advised the Board that the 1992 appropriations Bill does not provide for additional funds for the Southern University System. Further, approximately \$15 million which is available to higher education for work load adjustment has not been equitably distributed. Efforts are under way of get Southern University an equitable share of these funds to assist in supporting the additional duties associated with enrollment increases.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

The Chancellor's reports were provided in writing and are on file in the Board's Office.

The following concerns were raised and discussed regarding positions/programs on the Baton Rouge campus:

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- (1) *The anticipated date for filling the position of Dean of the College of Business*
- (2) *Efforts by the Administration to address the decline in enrollment in Music Education*

Board members were asked to forward their concerns to the Chairman of the Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee on the above concerns. As a matter of procedure, it was suggested that the Board members submit their concerns to the appropriate Committee Chairperson in order to give the Administration ample notice and time for providing a response.

On motion of Mr. Dossman, seconded by Mr. Smith, the Board accepted the report from the President and Chancellors.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6: HEARING OF GRIEVANCE APPEAL OF MRS. HARRIETT HENDRIX, S.U. LABORATORY SCHOOL

In response to the inquiry from the Board Chairman, Mrs. Harriet Hendrix indicated a preference for having her appeal heard in an executive session.

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Mr. Smith, the Board convened into an executive session to hear the grievance appeal of Mrs. Harriet Hendrix.

Motion carried unanimously.

- RECONVENTION -

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, the Board reconvened into open session.

Motion carried unanimously.

The following motions were offered upon the Board's reconvention into open session:

A motion was offered by Mr. Fontenot and seconded by Mr. Dossman for the Board to support the Administration's action regarding Mrs. Harriett Hendrix, with the stipulation that all negative information be removed from her file.

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A substitute motion was offered by Mr. Sensley and seconded by Mr. Moore for the Board to not uphold the administrations actions and to honor Mrs. Harriet Hendrix' grievance as it relates to purging of all negative information from her file.

The substitute motion failed. Roll call vote: 8 nays, 6 yeas, and 1 abstention.

The original motion failed. Roll call vote: 9 yeas, 6 nays.

On motion of Dr. Stone, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board made the following findings in reference to Mrs. Harriet Hendrix:

- 1. That any and all matters she has objected to be removed from her file.*
- 2. The Board specifically finds on the basis of the evidence presented that Mrs. Hendrix has resigned voluntarily.*
- 3. The Board also finds that Mrs. Hendrix has not lost any pay in any stage during these proceedings, that she has been paid since the inception right up to this particular time, and since she has resigned and there has been no actionable damage that the question on appeal is now moot.*

The motion carried. Roll call vote: 13 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

AGENDA ITEM 7: COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee

The Committee's report was presented by Dr. Jesse N. Stone, Jr.

On motion of Dr. Stone, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved the "Tech Prep" agreement between SUSBO and participating Caddo Parish high schools.

Motion carried unanimously.

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On motion of Dr. Stone, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved personnel recommendations at SUNO relative to the Fulbright Hayes Award.

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Dr. Stone, seconded by Mr. Fontenot, the Board approved the report of the Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

Athletic Committee

The Committee's report was presented by the Chairman, Mr. Willie T. Sensley, Sr.

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Dr. Stone, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved the contract between Southern University and Grambling State University for playing the Bayou Classic football game on Saturday, November 28, 1992.

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Mr. Fontenot, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved the contract for the Shreveport Football Classic to be played on Saturday, October 10, 1992.

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved the amendment to the SUBR Athletic Budget to increase the Head Baseball Coach's annual salary from \$38,000 to \$40,000.

Motion carried unanimously.

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On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved the 1992-93 Athletic Budget for SUBR, as amended, and for SUNO.

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Rev. Gant, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved the following 1992 Athletic schedules:

- Football*
- Cross country (Men and Women)*
- Volleyball*

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and requested the Administration (President Spikes, Chancellor Yates and Director Casem) to explore the possibility of having a baseball playoff among Historically Black Colleges and Universities that hold membership in various conferences.

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Rev. Gant, the Board approved the report of the Athletic Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee

The Committee's report was presented by Atty. Edselle Cunningham.

On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Abraham, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and received the quarterly status report on Capital Outlay Projects for the three campuses.

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Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Rev. Gant, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and received the quarterly status report on Deferred and Preventive Maintenance Projects for the three campuses.

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Owens, the Board approved the report of the Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance and Business Affairs Committee

The Committee's report was presented by the Chairman, Dr. Jenny D. Phillips.

On motion of Dr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved BA-7 #4 for the Board and System Administration, reflecting the transfer of \$3500 from Other Compensation to the Travel category of the budget.

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Dr. Phillips, seconded by Atty. Cunningham, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved the engagement letter authorizing Bruno and Tervalon to audit the records of the SUBR Department of Athletics for the year ending June 30, 1992.

Motion carried unanimously.

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On motion of Dr. Phillips, seconded by Atty. Cunningham, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved a fee increase of \$2.50 per student, per semester and summer session to cover expenses for services to students with disabilities, as voted by SUNO students (Student Referendum B).

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Dr. Phillips, seconded by Rev. Bilberry, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved an increase in student fees for the Law Center, effective Fall 1992.

Motion carried unanimously.

\$350 per semester per student plus an additional \$350 per semester for out-of-state students.

\$175 per summer session per student plus an additional \$175 per summer session for out-of-state students.

On motion of Dr. Phillips, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board approved the report of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

Bayou Classic Committee

The Committee's report was presented by the Chairman, Mrs. Nina H. Marchand.

On motion of Mrs. Marchand, seconded by Mr. Owens, the Board approved the report of the Bayou Classic Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Executive Committee

The Committee's report was presented by the Chairman, Mr. Frank Williams, Jr.

On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and approved Mr. Arthur Smalls' request for a hearing of his appeal of a recommended personnel action.

Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Williams, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board approved the report of the Executive Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 8: EXCEPTIONS TO TIME-FRAME POLICY ON PERSONNEL ACTION FORMS, SUNO

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board approved Chancellor Gex's request for exception to time-frame policy on personnel action forms submitted to the Board for the following programs at SUNO:

- a. Basic Elderly Crisis Counseling Intervention*
- b. Center for African and African/American Studies*

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 9: PERSONNEL ACTION FORMS

On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board approved the following personnel action forms.

- SUBR: Forms 1 - 9*
- SUNO: Forms 11 - 18; 26 - 60 (Subject to approval of Personnel and Finance Offices)*
- SULC: Form 10*
- SUSBO: Forms 19 - 23*
- Civil Service Terminations: Forms 24 and 25*

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The motion carried. Mr. Moore voted nay.

On motion of Mr. Fontenot, seconded by Rev. Gant, the Board approved the following personnel action forms.

- *S.U. System: Forms 61 and 66*
- *SUBR: Forms 62 - 65*
- *SULC: Forms 67 - 70*
- *Recommendations for Suspensions: Forms 71 and 72*

The motion carried. Mr. Moore voted nay.

AGENDA ITEM 10: RESOLUTIONS

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Sensley, the Board approved the following resolutions.

Motion carried unanimously.

Commendations

- *Messrs. Donald Wade and Terrall Jackson, S.U. Men's Federation Men of the Year, 1992*
- *SUBR Retirees*

Condolences

- *The Marcus Franklin Family.*

AGENDA ITEM 11: MEETING SCHEDULE

The Board's meeting schedule for July - November, 1992 was received.

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AGENDA ITEM 12: OTHER BUSINESS

The presence of the newly-elected SGA President and Vice President, Mr. James Freemont and Mr. Kenneth Spears respectively, was recognized by Board.

AGENDA ITEM 13: ADJOURNMENT

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

Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors