

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
10:00 A.M.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1992
SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY - SHREVEPORT CAMPUS

MINUTES

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Curley M. Dossman.

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 Herbert-Marchand
Dr. James Meza, Jr.
Mr. Roscoe J. Moore
Dr. Jenny D. Phillips
Dr. Jesse N. Stone, Jr.
Mr. Keenon Wilborn

ABSENT

Mrs. Pearl H. Elloie
Mr. Willie T. Sensley, Sr.

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

President Dolores R. Spikes, Secretary to the Board
Vice President Tolor E. White
Chancellors B.K. Agnihotri, R. Gex, R. Smith, and M. Yates
Vice Chancellors M. Bartley, C. Cunningham, S. Gilliam, J. Hoffman, T. Jones, W. Moore,
J. Robinson (SUBR) and J. Robinson (SUNO)
Messrs. T. Butler and L. McGhee

Atty. W. DeCuir and V. Blanson

The invocation was given by Rev. Joe R. Gant. The Board's condolences were extended to the family of Mr. Pete Harris, owner of Freeman and Harris Restaurant and a prominent citizen of the Shreveport community. Personal expressions were offered by Rev. Gant and Dr. Stone.

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Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4A: STATEMENT FROM THE BOARD CHAIRMAN

Deleted.

AGENDA ITEM 4B: PRESENTATIONS BY DR. C.O. SIMPKINS AND MR. JIM ELROYD

Chancellor Robert Smith introduced Dr. C.O. Simpkins, State Representative and Mr. Jim Elroyd, President of Willis Knighten Medical Center in Shreveport.

Mr. Elroyd reported on the Medical Center's affiliation with SUSBO in the area of Allied Health Program. Dr. C.O. Simpkins reported on plans to construct an Ambulatory Care Center on or adjacent to the SUSBO campus and efforts to obtain funding for this facility.

AGENDA ITEM 5: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY - SHREVEPORT TO DISCUSS INVESTIGATIVE PROCEEDINGS OF ALLEGED WRONGDOING AT SUSBO

AGENDA ITEM 6: ACTION REGARDING THE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE S.U. SYSTEM

On motion of Dr. Meza, seconded by Mr. Fontenot, the Board convened into executive session to discuss the Southern University - Shreveport/Bossier Campus and the employment contract for the S.U. System President.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 15 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

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RECESS

RECONVENTION

On motion of Mr. Dossman, seconded by Atty. Cunningham, the Board reconvened into open session.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote. 15 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

The Chairman announced that, during the executive session, the Board discussed the status of the Shreveport Campus and the employment contract for the S.U. System President. No action was taken on these items.

**AGENDA ITEM 5A: REPORT ON PRESIDENT'S EVALUATION AND
RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING DR. ROBERT
SMITH, CHANCELLOR, SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY -
SHREVEPORT/BOSSIER**

On motion of Mr. Fontenot, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board voted to delete this item from the agenda.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 7: REPORT ON THE HIGHER EDUCATION
DESEGREGATION CASE**

On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Dr. Phillips, the Board convened into an executive session to discuss the higher education desegregation litigation United States vs. State of Louisiana, Number 80-3300.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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RECONVENTION

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Williams announced that the Board discussed in executive session the higher education desegregation case. No action was taken.

AGENDA ITEM 8: REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CHANCELLORS

SUBR

A written report was submitted for the Board's information.

SUNO

No report.

SULC

The Board received a report on the Bar Examination results for July 1992 and the development of the final draft of the plan for the ABA.

SUSBO

SUSBO's Chancellor's report included presentations by members of the faculty on significant accomplishments at SUSBO.

**AGENDA ITEM 9: UPDATE ON THE 1992-93 BUDGET REDUCTIONS
AND THE IMPACT ON THE SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY
SYSTEM**

Mr. Tolor E. White presented the report on the impact of the 7.267% budget reduction mandated by Executive Order (EWE 92-71) along with proposed actions and recommendations for implementing these reductions. Highlights follow:

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Figures stated below reflect the amount of state appropriated funds which must be reduced from the budget of each S.U. System entity:

Board and System	\$ 55,449
Baton Rouge Campus	2,527,641
Law Center Campus	232,157
New Orleans Campus	721,201
Shreveport Campus	<u>328,018</u>
Total	\$3,864,466

Mr. White described the impact of these reductions on the S.U. System entities . Specific actions and recommendations were proposed for implementing the 7.267% budget reduction for the Board and System Administration:

- * Board approval to use the following budget balances to implement the budget reduction:

<u>Expenditure Category</u>	<u>Board</u>	<u>Internal Auditing</u>	<u>Total</u>
Other Compensation	\$19,900		\$19,900
Travel	21,763	\$5,479	27,242
Operating Services	4,073	1,847	5,920
Supplies	<u>2,387</u>	<u> </u>	<u>2,387</u>
Total	\$48,123	\$7,376	\$55,449

- * Board approval for expenditures to transact business for the Board of Supervisors be paid from the "Pooled Costs" budget for the remainder of fiscal year 1992-93.
- * Board authorization for the reallocation of funds previously budgeted for "Pooled Costs" in order to provide funds in the appropriate allotment category to meet the current funding crisis.

The Board's attention was called to the absence of a recommendation from Chancellor Smith for implementing the mandated reductions in SUSBO's budget.

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Chancellor Smith advised the Board of his recommendation to use Act 971 fund rather than operating budget funds to accomplish the reductions. He defended this recommendation by citing the negative impact experienced by SUSBO under the state of financial exigency and the RIF Plan, both implemented during the previous fiscal year.

President Spikes expressed her concern for the impact these reductions would have on the campus; however, she reiterated her position that Act 971 funds (non-recurring) should not be used for recurring expenditures.

Following additional discussion, the Board allowed Chancellor Smith additional time to meet with his finance staff for the purpose of developing his recommendations for implementing the mandated budget reduction for SUSBO. The Chancellor's recommendation were to be submitted for Board action prior to the end of the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 10: BA-7s

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board approved BA-7s which reflected the implementation of budget reductions, mandated by executive Order EWE 92-71, for all entities of the Southern University System, except SUSBO.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Williams requested approval for a short recess which was unanimously approved.

RECESS

RECONVENTION

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board reconvened and the meeting was continued.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 15 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

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On motion of Dr. Meza, seconded by Dr. Stone, the Board directed Chancellor Smith to submit for Board approval a BA-7 that reflected the mandated budget reduction of 7.267% in the state appropriated funds for SUSBO (\$328,018). General line item categories should be reflected. A plan shall be presented to the Board, prior to the end of the meeting, which reflect the areas in SUSBO's budget from which the reduction would be made.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 11: 1993-94 CONTINUATION BUDGETS

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board approved the 1993-94 Continuation Budgets for the Southern University System.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 11A: REQUEST FOR NEW AND/OR EXPANDED SERVICES

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board approved the 1993-94 Requests for New and/or Expanded Services for the Southern University System.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 12: TUITION DISCOUNTS, SUNO AND SUBR

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Rev. Gant, the Board approved the 1992 Fall registration tuition discounts for SUNO and SUBR.

Motion carried unanimously.

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AGENDA ITEM 13: CROSS ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT, SUBR AND SUNO

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mr. Dossman, the Board approved the Cross Enrollment Agreement between Southern University at Baton Rouge and Southern University at New Orleans.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 14: PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Considerable discussion was held on Form 63 which recommended a status change for the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at SUNO to include an academic rank and tenure status, retroactive to the date the original appointment was approved by the Board.

The Board also discussed a second entry on Form 63 which incorrectly described a recommendation for overload payment as a salary adjustment.

During the discussion, several requests were tendered to the Administration:

- (1) Provide the Board with a list of the base salaries of Administrators and those who receive supplemental pay
- (2) Develop a plan for faculty members which will allow them an opportunity for supplemental pay.
- (3) In future submissions of personnel actions for Board approval, isolate those recommending increases in salaries.

A motion was offered by Mr. Higginbotham, and seconded by Mr. Dossman, for the Board to approve Form 63.

The motion failed. Roll call vote: 9 yeas, 5 nays: Abraham, Cunningham, Hamilton and Meza.

Mr. Abraham changes his nay vote to yea.

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The motion passed. 10 yeas and 4 nays.

Dr. Meza registered his objection and asked for a ruling from the Chairman.

The Chairman ruled the motion passed after Mr. Abraham changes his vote.

Discussion continued on other personnel action forms identified for questions by Board members as not containing enough information. Rev. Gant reminded the Board of its action requiring the submission of the abbreviated PAF's.

The Administration indicated its intent to examine means by which the personnel action forms can provide sufficient information to the Board with future submission.

On motion of Mr. Dossman, seconded by Dr. Stone, the Board approved the following personnel recommendations.

Motion carried. Rev. Gant abstained.

- S.U. System: Forms 1 and 2
- SUBR: Forms 3 - 47d; 16 - 126; 127 - 131
- SULC: Forms 48 - 54
- SUNO: Forms 55 - 66; 113 - 115; 132 - 138; 139a - 161
- SUSBO: Forms 162 - 164

Note was taken of corrections to Forms 3, 22 and 30.

AGENDA ITEM 15: RESOLUTIONS

On motion of Mr. Dossman, seconded by Mr. Higginbotham, the Board approved a resolution of condolences to the following family.

Motion carried unanimously.

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- The Pete Harris Family
- The Abdel-Hay M. Eisa Family
- The Emanuel Paul Griffin Family

AGENDA ITEM 16: OTHER BUSINESS

a. Point of Personal Privilege - Dr. Stone

Withdrawn.

The Chairman also announced that the Chancellor's recommendations for the budget reductions for SUSBO were completed, in accordance with the Board's directives.

AGENDA ITEM 17: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors

- * NOTE: Minutes reflect the chronological order of items as they appeared on the agenda rather than as they were actually considered by the Board.