

Southern University Board of Supervisors
9:00 A.M.
Friday, November 26, 1993
Burgundy Rooms A and B, 4th Floor
Hyatt-Regency Hotel
New Orleans, Louisiana

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. Bilberry.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Frank Williams, Jr. - Chairman
Mr. Patrick Fontenot, Vice Chairman
Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.
Mrs. Etta Brew
Mr. Warren Chretien
Atty. Edselle Cunningham
Rev. Joe R. Gant

Mr. Allen J. Hamilton
Mrs. Emma Hartley
Mr. Bobby D. Higginbotham
Mrs. Nina H. Marchand
Dr. James Meza, Jr.
Mr. Willie T. Sensley, Sr.
Dr. Jesse N. Stone, Jr.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Mrs. Pearlie H. Elloie
Mr. James Wilson

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

President Dolores R. Spikes, Secretary to the Board
Vice Presidents R. Johnson and T. White
Chancellors B.K. Agnihotri, R. Gex, J. Greene, and M. Yates

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mr. Chretien, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENTS:

- Item 8: Food Service Contracts
a. SUBR
b. SUNO

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AGENDA ITEM 4: ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

a. Board Chairman

Mr. Patrick Fontenot's name was placed in nomination by Mr. Hamilton. The nomination was seconded by Mrs. Marchand.

There were no other nominations for the office.

Mr. Fontenot was elected unanimously to the Office of Chairman of the Board for 1994.

b. Board Vice Chairman

Mrs. Nina Marchand's name was placed in nomination by Dr. Stone. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Sensley.

Mr. Bobby Higginbotham's name was placed in nomination by Mr. Chretien. The nomination was seconded by Dr. Meza.

An objection was raised regarding Mr. Higginbotham's nomination, citing Article II, Section A of the Board's Bylaws. This section prohibits an officer of the Board from serving more than two years in the same position during any six-year term appointment as a member of the Board.

Atty. DeCuir verified that Mr. Higginbotham's candidacy was affected by this article.

A motion was then offered by Dr. Meza and seconded by Mr. Chretien for the Board to suspend its rules (Article I, Section A) to allow Mr. Higginbotham to be a candidate for the position of Vice Chairman of the Board.

The motion failed. Roll call vote: 6 yeas, 8 nays.

There were no other nominations for the Office of Board Vice Chairman.

Mrs. Nina H. Marchand was elected unanimously to the Office of Board Vice Chairman for 1994.

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On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, the Board suspended its rules to allow for additional agenda items:

- Message from the Chairman
- Point of Personal Privilege - Rev. Gant

Motion carried unanimously.

Rev. Gant expressed appreciation to Mr. Williams for his service as Board Chairman and encouraged the new Board Chairman to make Committee Chair appointments with the interest of the students at heart.

The Board received a farewell message from outgoing Chairman Frank Williams, Jr.

Remarks of appreciation were rendered by the Board Chairman-elect and Vice Chairman-elect.

AGENDA ITEM 5: MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 23, 1993 BOARD MEETING

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Atty. Cunningham, the Board approved the minutes of its regular meeting on October 23, 1993.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6: DRAFT OF PROSPECTUS FOR PLANNING, S.U. SYSTEM

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Higginbotham, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the requests from the System Administration to establish a planning council as defined in the draft copy of the Prospectus for Planning for the Southern University Board and System and to proceed with planning with the prospectus as a discussion document be and are hereby approved.

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AGENDA ITEM 7: 1994-95 BUDGET REQUESTS

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Fontenot, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the 1994-95 budget requests for the Southern University System components be and are hereby approved as detailed below:

S.U. Board and System:	\$ 1,867,221
S.U. - Baton Rouge:	71,262,676
S.U. - Law Center:	5,926,955
S.U. - New Orleans:	17,588,377
S.U. - Shreveport:	<u>5,728,717</u>
TOTAL	\$102,374,946

AGENDA ITEM 8: FOOD SERVICE CONTRACTS, SUBR AND SUNO

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board adopted the following resolutions.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the renewal of the Acceptance Agreement between SUBR and Service Master Education Food Management Services for manual food service and management support be and is hereby approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that contract for manual food service between SUNO and ABL Management, Inc. be and is hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 9: CHANCELLOR'S FELLOWS

On motion of Dr. Stone, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board adopted the following resolution.

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b. Recognitions

The presence of the following persons during the two-day meeting was recognized.

- State Representative Naomi Warren
- Dr. Leodrey Williams, U.S. Cooperative Extension Service

AGENDA ITEM 21: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Chretien, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors

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Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the concept and process for selecting Chancellor's Fellows at SUBR be and are hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 10: AEROSPACE ENGINEERING PROGRAM, SUBR

On motion of Dr. Stone, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the request by SUBR to submit a letter of intent to establish an undergraduate program in Aerospace Engineering be and is hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 11: DEPARTMENTAL CHAIR, CIVIL ENGINEERING - SUBR

On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Chretien, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the appointment of Dr. Erat S. Joseph as Chair and Professor of Civil Engineering at a twelve month salary of \$58,000.00, effective August 13, 1993 be and is hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 12: WIRELESS CABLE PROPOSAL, SUBR

On motion of Dr. Meza, seconded by Mr. Chretien, the Board adopted the following resolution.

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Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the wireless cable proposal for SUBR, including a request to negotiate and enter into a contractual agreement for an ITF partnership by December 31, 1993, be and is hereby approved, subject to the favorable outcome of a review by a communications expert (to be obtained by SUBR) and the resolution of concerns raised by University officials.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said approvals and/or authorizations be and are hereby approved for SUSBO, if it has an interest in the wireless cable program.

AGENDA ITEM 13: NAMING OF STREETS, BUILDINGS FOR SUBR

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried. Mr. Higginbotham voted nay. Dr. Stone abstained.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that SUBR's recommendations for naming of streets in general and naming and/or renaming of buildings, streets and units related to the College of Agriculture and Home Economics in particular be and they are hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 13A: SALARY INCREASES, SUBR

On motion of Dr. Meza, seconded by Mr. Higginbotham, the Board approved the following resolution.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that SUBR's request to grant a four percent across-the-board salary increase for all employees on the Baton Rouge campus, except the Chancellor, effective January 1, 1994 and dependent on the absence of a shortfall in revenue for the State of Louisiana be and is hereby approved.

EXCEPTIONS:

Persons who received recent salary adjustments and job reassignments, promotions, except promotion in faculty rank, will not receive the salary increase.

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The Board was advised of the SUBR's receipt of a \$1.7 million training grant from the Office of Naval Research and Department of Defense to support undergraduate and pre-college programs in Chemistry, Physics and Engineering. Professor Diola Bagakayo, principal investigator, was recognized by the Board.

- RECESS -

On motion of Dr. Stone, seconded by Rev. Gant, the Board recessed its meeting until the following day at 8:30 A.M. on Saturday, November 27, 1993.

- RECONVENTION -
8:30 A.M.
Saturday, November 27, 1993
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On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mr. Sensley, the Board reconvened its meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

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AGENDA ITEM 14: STATUS REPORTS

SUSPENSION OF RULES

On motion of Dr. Meza, seconded by Atty. Cunningham, the Board suspended its rules to allow for the reconsideration of a personnel appointment, Form No. 97 for SUBR as a part of Item 15A and to add Sickle Cell Anemia Report as Item 20A.

Motion carried. Dr. Stone voted nay.

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On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Atty. Cunningham, the Board accepted the quarterly status reports on Deferred/Preventive Maintenance Projects and Capital Outlay Projects.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 15: PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

A motion was offered by Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mr. Fontenot, for Board approval of personnel actions, Forms 1 - 96.

On a substitute motion by Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Higginbotham, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the following personnel recommendation be and they are hereby approved.

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- SUBR: Forms 1 - 51; 80 - 84; and reconsideration of personnel appointment evidenced by Form 97
- SULC: Forms 52 - 54
- SUNO: Forms 55 - 71
- SUSBO: Forms 72 - 78; 85 - 96
- CES: Form 79

AGENDA ITEM 16: AUTHORIZATION FOR TEMPORARY ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY, OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Rev. Bilberry, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the employment of a temporary Administrative Secretary in the Office of the Board of Supervisors be and is hereby authorized.

AGENDA ITEM 17: CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES, SUBR

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Atty. Cunningham, the Board approved the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that candidates for degrees at the 1993 Fall Commencement at Southern University - Baton Rouge, as recommended by the Administration, be and are hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 18: RESOLUTIONS

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Atty. Cunningham, the Board adopted the following resolution.

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Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that resolutions of condolences be and are hereby approved to the families of persons named below.

- Herman Hills
- Jean Alice Jones
- Nolan DeConge
- Corinne Darlee Maybuce

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Atty. Cunningham, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the resolution of commendation to Mr. Frank Williams, Jr. in recognition of his services as Board Chairman for 1992 and 1993 be and is hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 19: 1994 MEETING SCHEDULE

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mr. Sensley, the Board accepted the tentative meeting schedule for 1994.

Motion carried unanimously.

The final schedule will be submitted by the Chairman-elect at the December 1993 meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 20: OTHER BUSINESS

a. Sickle Cell Anemia Program

A status report was presented to the Board on the Sickle Cell Anemia Program at SUBR.

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