

Southern University Board of Supervisors

8:30 A.M.

Friday, November 25, 1994

Burgundy Meeting Rooms

Hyatt Regency Hotel

New Orleans, Louisiana

MINUTES

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Mr. Patrick Fontenot.

The invocation was given by Rev. Bilberry.

PRESENT

Mr. Patrick Fontenot, Chairman

Mrs. Nina H. Marchand, Vice Chairman

Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.

Mrs. Etta H. Brew

Mr. Warren Chretien

Atty. Edselle Cunningham

Mrs. Pearlie H. Elloie

Rev. Joe R. Gant

Mr. Allen Hamilton

Mrs. Emma Hartley

Mr. Bobby D. Higginbotham

Dr. James Meza, Jr.

Mr. Willie T. Sensley, Sr.

Mr. Elvin Sterling, Jr.

Dr. Jesse N. Stone, Jr.

Mr. Frank Williams, Jr.

ABSENT

NONE

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

President Dolores R. Spikes, Secretary to the Board

Vice Presidents Tolor White and Robert Johnson

Chancellors B.K. Agnihotri, Robert Gex, Jerome Green, and Marvin Yates

AGENDA ITEM 3A: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mrs. Marchand, seconded by Rev. Bilberry, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENTS:

Delete: Item 27: Status report on Capital Outlay, Deferred and Preventive Maintenance Projects

Add: Points of Personal Privilege

Item 3B: Mr. Bobby Higginbotham

Item 26B: Atty. Edselle Cunningham

Item 33B: Mr. Elvin Sterling

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AGENDA ITEM 3B: POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Mr. Higginbotham announced to the Board his resolve to remain non-controversial during the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 4: ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS FOR 1995

a. Chairman

Mr. Patrick Fontenot's name was placed in nomination on a motion by Mr. Sensley, seconded by Mrs. Elloie.

On a motion by Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Mr. Chretien, the nominations for the Office of Board Chairman were closed.

Motion carried unanimously.

By a unanimous vote of the membership, Mr. Fontenot was re-elected to the Office of Chairman of the Board. Mr. Higginbotham abstained from voting.

b. Vice Chairman

Mrs. Nina H. Marchand's name was placed in nomination on a motion by Mrs. Elloie, seconded by Mr. Hamilton.

On a motion by Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Mr. Chretien, the nominations for the Office of Board Vice Chairman were closed.

Motion carried unanimously.

By a unanimous vote of the membership, Mrs. Marchand was re-elected to the Office of Vice Chairman of the Board. Mr. Higginbotham abstained from voting.

Mr. Fontenot and Mrs. Marchand tendered expressions of appreciation to the members of the Board for re-election to their respective offices.

AGENDA ITEM 5: MINUTES OF THE BOARD'S REGULAR MEETING ON OCTOBER 15, 1994 AND THE SPECIAL MEETING ON NOVEMBER 4, 1994

On motion of Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Dr. Meza, the Board adopted the minutes of its regular meeting on October 15, 1994 and its special meeting on November 4, 1994.

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Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6: REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The report of the Executive Committee was tendered by Mr. Patrick Fontenot, Chairman

On motion of Mrs. Marchand, seconded by Atty. Cunningham, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendation and adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that Ms. Betty Weinhoff's request for a hearing of her grievance appeal before the Board be and it is hereby denied.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the personnel action taken by the Administration regarding Ms. Betty Weinhoff be and it is hereby upheld and approved.

AGENDA ITEM 7: APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR OF PLANNING, ASSESSMENT AND INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH/TENURED ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ACCOUNTING, SUBR

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the appointment of Dr. Mohamed S. Eisa to the position of Director of Planning, Assessment and Institutional Research/Tenured Associate Professor of Accounting at SUBR be and it is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the recommended fiscal year salary of \$67,000 for the position and the effective date of January 2, 1995 be and they are hereby authorized.

AGENDA ITEM 8: APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL ASSISTANT FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS/TENURED ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH

On motion of Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board adopted the following resolution.

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Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the appointment of Mr. Henry Bellaire to the position of Special Assistant for Special Projects in the Office of Academic Affairs/Tenured Assistant Professor of English at SUBR be and it is hereby approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the recommended fiscal year salary of \$45,000 and the effective date of November 1, 1994 be and they are hereby authorized.

AGENDA ITEM 9: APPOINTMENT OF AN ASSISTANT TO THE VICE CHANCELLOR
FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS, SUBR

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

Motion carried. Mr. Higginbotham voted nay.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the appointment of Ms. Edna Hickman to the position of Assistant to the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs at SUBR be and it is hereby approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the recommended fiscal year salary of \$27,000, and the effective date of September 19, 1994 be and they are hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 10: APPOINTMENT OF JUDICIARY LIAISON, SUBR

On motion of Mrs. Marchand, seconded by Rev. Bilberry, the Board approved the following resolution.

Motion carried. Mr. Higginbotham voted nay.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the temporary appointment of Mr. Wilson Fields as Judiciary Liaison in the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, SUBR, be and it is hereby approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the recommended fiscal year salary of \$16,000 and the effective date of the appointment of September 22, 1994 be and they are hereby approved.

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AGENDA ITEM 11: APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN OF DEPARTMENT OF
FOREIGN LANGUAGES, SUBR

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the recommended appointment of Dr. Carol L. Weis, Professor and Chairman of the Department of Foreign Languages at Southern University - Baton Rouge be and it is hereby approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the recommended fiscal year salary of \$46,000 and the effective appointment date of August 12, 1994 be and they are hereby authorized.

AGENDA ITEM 12: APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE VICE CHANCELLOR, SUNO

On motion of Mrs. Elloie, seconded by Dr. Meza, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the recommended appointment of Dr. Patricia Harris as Executive Vice Chancellor at SUNO be and it is hereby approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the recommended fiscal year salary of \$65,000 and the effective appointment date of January 4, 1995 be and they are hereby authorized.

AGENDA ITEM 13: APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR OF PHYSICAL PLANT,
SUNO

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the appointment of Mr. Richard Gould as Director of the Physical Plant at SUNO be and it is hereby approved.

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FURTHER RESOLVED that the recommended fiscal year salary of \$45,000 and the effective appointment date of December 1, 1994 be and they are hereby authorize.

Dr. Harris and Mr. Gould were introduced to the members of the Board.

AGENDA ITEM 14: APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR, ACCOUNTING SERVICES/
INTERIM VICE CHANCELLOR FOR FISCAL AFFAIRS,
SUSBO

On motion of Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the appointment of Ms. Linda McKnight as Director of Accounting Services/Interim Vice Chancellor for Fiscal Affairs at SUSBO be and it is hereby approved for one month, effective December 1, 1994 through December 31, 1994.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the proposed salary change for this period be and it is hereby authorized.

AGENDA ITEM 15: APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM VICE CHANCELLOR FOR
FISCAL AFFAIRS AND ADMINISTRATION

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

Motion carried unanimously. Rev. Gant voted nay.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the appointment of Mr. Benjamin Pugh as Interim Vice Chancellor for Fiscal Affairs and Administration be and it is hereby approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the recommended fiscal year salary of \$59,280 and the effective date of January 1, 1994 be and they are hereby authorized.

Rev. Gant noted his objection to the appointment was based on the failure of the SUSBO campus administration to recommend a person from the Shreveport campus to fill this interim position.

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Mr. Williams cited his concern for a lack of communication on the part of the SUSBO Chancellor to inform area Board members of impending major administrative appointments on the campus.

Mrs. Elloie suggested that the campus administrators give more consideration to the promotion of personnel within their respective units.

Dr. Meza introduced to the Board Mr. Keith Johnson and Ms. Lois Jones, members of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

**AGENDA ITEM 16: EXTENSION OF EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT FOR ATHLETICS
DIRECTOR, SUNO**

A motion was offered by Dr. Stone, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, for the Board to approve the Administration's request for a three-year extension of the current employment contract of the Athletics Director at SUNO.

A substitute motion was offered by Mr. Higginbotham and seconded by Mrs. Elloie, to approve a two-year extension of the current employment contract of the Athletics Director at SUNO.

The substitute motion failed by a roll call vote of 11 nays, 4 yeas, 0 abstention. Dr. Meza did not vote. Yeas: Brew, Chretien, Elloie, Higginbotham. Nays: Bilberry, Cunningham, Gant, Hamilton, Hartley, Sensley, Sterling, Stone, Williams, Marchand, Fontenot.

The original motion passed by a roll call vote of 12 yeas, 1 nay, 2 abstentions. Yeas: Bilberry, Brew, Cunningham, Gant, Hamilton, Hartley, Sensley, Stone, Williams, Marchand, Fontenot. Nays: Higginbotham. Abstentions: Chretien, Elloie. Not Voting: Dr. Meza.

The following resolution was thereby adopted.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the recommendation from the Administration for a three-year extension as Director of Athletics at SUNO be and it is hereby approved.

Approval of the above resolution extended the Athletics Director's contract to June 30, 1999.

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AGENDA ITEM 17: PERSONNEL ACTIONS

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

Motion carried. Rev. Gant abstained.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that personnel recommendations exhibited on the following forms be and they are hereby approved:

S.U. System: Forms 1 - 3
SUBR: Forms 4 - 54 and 134
SULC: Form 55
Coop. Ext. Service: Forms 56 - 57
SUNO: Forms 58 - 116
SUSBO: Forms 117 - 133

In response to a question by Rev. Gant, the President indicated that there is no existing policy that will address leave for persons who have accepted temporary employment outside the university. A policy to address this issue will be recommended in the near future for Board consideration and action.

Mr. Williams suggested that a procedure be established that would allow for deferring to a Special Task Force or Committee of the Board any matters that require policy development.

AGENDA ITEM 18: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OPERATIONS POSITION WITH BOARD OF REGENTS

On motion of Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mrs. Marchand and Dr. Stone, the Board voted to defer action on the request for payment of a pro-rata share for funding the Economic Development Operations position with the Board of Regents until a legal opinion is obtained from the Office of the Attorney General.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 19: INDIVIDUAL REFERRAL MASTER AGREEMENT WITH TEXAS STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE, SUSBO

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University

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that the Individual Referral Master Agreement between SUSBO and Texas State Technical College for the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) Occupational Skills Classroom Training (OST) be and it is hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 20: FOOD SERVICE CONTRACT, SUBR

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Rev. Bilberry, the Board approved the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the food service contract between SUBR and Service Master be extended for one year, effective January 1995.

FURTHER RESOLVED that this action by the Board is contingent upon advice from legal counsel.

AGENDA ITEM 21: 1995-96 BUDGET REQUESTS

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the 1995-96 budget requests for the following university entities be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried.

- a. Board and System Administration
- b. S.U. Baton Rouge
- c. S.U. Law Center
- d. S.U. New Orleans
- e. S.U. Shreveport-Bossier

AGENDA ITEM 22: AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS, SUNO

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors for Southern University does hereby authorize Chancellor Robert B. Gex to negotiate,

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on terms and conditions that be may deem advisable, contracts with the Job Training Partnership Act, the Basic Elderly Crisis Counseling Intervention Projects, and the Louisiana Department of Transportation Project (Small Business Development Center), with effective dates as stated in the contract documents, execute said documents on behalf of the University, and be it further empowered and authorized to do all things necessary to implement, maintain, amend or renew said documents.

AGENDA ITEM 23: MASTERS DEGREE PROGRAM IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE,
 SUNO

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the proposal for the Masters Degree Program in Criminal Justice at SUNO be and it is hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 24: LEASE FOR CAPITAL SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT
 CENTER, SUBR

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the SUBR Administration be and it is hereby authorized to lease office space for the Capital Small Business Development Center.

AGENDA ITEM 25: BOOKSTORE CONTRACT, SUSBO

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the administration of SUSBO, with the approval of the System President, is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Campus Corner, Inc. for operation of the University Bookstore, in accordance with the terms stipulated in the contractual agreement.

FURTHER RESOLVED that this authorization is contingent upon a revision being made to the proposed agreement to incorporate the changes recommended by the Board's legal counsel.

AGENDA ITEM 26A: APPROVAL OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREE, 1994 FALL COMMENCEMENT

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that the degrees to be conferred upon the candidates for graduation on December 16, 1994 at Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College at Baton Rouge, submitted by President Dolores R. Spikes and Chancellor Marvin L. Yates, upon the approval and recommendation of the Faculty, Council of Academic Deans and appropriate administrators be and they are hereby approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the list of graduates may be supplemented or modified as is necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

AGENDA ITEM 26B: POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Atty. Edselle Cunningham expressed concern about the rates charged by New Orleans hotels to Bayou Classic fans. He requested that the Board discontinue holding its annual meetings in November in conjunction with the Bayou Classic.

Chairman Fontenot indicated that he would defer this issue to the Board's Athletic Committee or an Ad Hoc Committee for study and subsequent recommendation to the Board.

The Board's commendations were extended to Ms. Peggy Honore' for competence in discharging the duties of the Office of Vice Chancellor for Fiscal Affairs and Administration at SUSBO.

- RECESS -

The Board meeting was recessed until 8:30 A.M. on Saturday, November 26, 1994.

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- RECONVENTION -

8:30 A.M.

Saturday, November 26, 1994
Burgundy Rooms, 4th level
Hyatt-Regency Hotel
New Orleans, Louisiana

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors was reconvened by the Chairman, Mr. Patrick Fontenot.

The invocation was rendered by Rev. Gant.

PRESENT

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ABSENT

NONE

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

President Dolores R. Spikes, Secretary to the Board
Vice Presidents Tolor White and Robert Johnson
Chancellors B.K. Agnihotri, Robert Gex, Jerome Greene, and Marvin Yates

AGENDA ITEM 29: HIGHER EDUCATION DESEGREGATION CASE

Atty. Trevor Bryan provided an update on the partial settlement reached by parties in the Higher Education Desegregation Case (USA vs. State of Louisiana, et. al.). The Board was further advised that the issues relative to land-grant remains unsettled at this time.

AGENDA ITEM 30: SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Attorneys Trevor Bryan, Joseph West, and Tonya Rhodes, from the Law Firm of Bryan, Jupiter, Lewis and Blanson were presented a Board Resolution in recognition of their outstanding performance in representing the Board and University in the Higher Education Desegregation lawsuit.

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AGENDA ITEM 31: RESOLUTIONS

On motion of Mrs. Marchand, seconded by Mr. Sensley, the Board adopted a commendation to recognize Mrs. Eva Legard on the occasion of her retirement as a member of the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board and for her many years as a committed public servant.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 32: SCHEDULE OF BOARD MEETINGS, JANUARY - JUNE 1995

The Board was advised of the schedule of Board meetings for the period of January - June, 1995.

January 6 - 7	-	Baton Rouge
February 24-25	-	Baton Rouge
March 24-25	-	Baton Rouge
April 21 - 21	-	Baton Rouge
May 19 - 20	-	Baton Rouge
June (dates to coincide with SUNO Fest)	-	New Orleans

AGENDA ITEM 33: OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Elvin Sterling invited the members of the Board and Staff to attend the SUBR Student Body meeting on Thursday, December 1, 1994.

AGENDA ITEM 34: ADJOURNMENT

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



Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors



Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors

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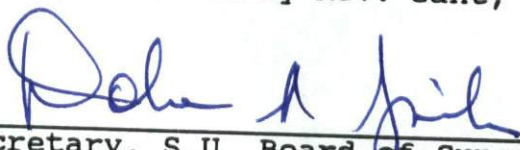
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