

**Southern University Board of Supervisors  
8:00 P.M.**

**Friday, February 23, 1996  
Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room  
J.S. Clark Administration Building  
Southern University - Baton Rouge**

**MINUTES**

**The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairperson, Mrs. Nina Hebert Marchand.**

**The invocation was given by Rev. Joe R. Gant.**

**PRESENT**

**Mrs. Nina H. Marchand, Chair  
Mr. Patrick Bell  
Mr. Warren Chretien  
Atty. Edselle Cunningham  
Mr. Patrick Fontenot  
Rev. Joe R. Gant  
Ms. Mamye L. Hall**

**Mr. Lawson Harvey  
Dr. Andrea G. Jefferson  
Mrs. Anne Z. Kiefer  
Mrs. Dorothy C. Scott  
Dr. Jesse N. Stone, Jr.  
Mr. Carlos White  
Mr. Frank Williams, Jr.**

**ABSENT**

**Mr. Willie T. Sensley, Sr. - Vice Chair  
Mr. Allen J. Hamilton**

**UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL**

**Vice Presidents Tolor White and Robert Johnson  
Chancellors B.K. Agnihotri, Robert Gex, Jerome Greene, and Marvin Yates**

**AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Harvey, the agenda was adopted, as amended.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**AMENDMENTS:**

**Item 11e. SUBR: Forms 87 - 88  
Item 11f. SUSBO: Form 86  
Item 12A. Food Service Contract Extension, SUBR  
Item 12B. Request for approval of BA-7s, SUBR and SUSBO**

**Item 17A. Resolution of condolences**

**Delete Item 16: Tuition Exemption Policy**

**AGENDA ITEM 4: MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 5, 1996 BOARD MEETING**

**On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Ms. Hall, the Board approved the minutes of its January 5, 1996 meeting.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**AGENDA ITEM 5:       UPDATE ON THE HIGHER EDUCATION  
                          DESEGREGATION CASE, USA VS. STATE OF  
                          LOUISIANA, CASE #80-3300A (EXECUTIVE  
                          SESSION)**

**On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Chretien, the Board convened into an executive session to receive an update from counsel on the Higher Education Desegregation Case - USA vs. State of Louisiana, Case #80-3300A.**

**Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 14 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.**

**- EXECUTIVE SESSION -**

**- OPEN SESSION -**

**On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Chretien, the Board convened into open session.**

**Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 14 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.**

**The Chair announced that no actions were taken by the Board during the executive session.**

**AGENDA ITEM 6: REPORT FROM THE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Harvey, the Board approved the January 25, 1996 report of the Legislation Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 7: PROGRAM PROPOSAL AND STRATEGIC PLAN  
FOR Ph.D. IN PUBLIC POLICY, SUBR**

On motion of Ms. Hall, seconded by Dr. Stone, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the program proposal and strategic plan submitted by SUBR for a Ph. D. in Public Policy be and it is hereby approved.

**AGENDA ITEM 8: SUBCONTRACT BETWEEN S.U. COOPERATIVE  
EXTENSION SERVICE TO WORK WITH PROJECT,  
"STRENGTHENING PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN,  
YOUTH AND FAMILIES AT RISK"**

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

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the subcontract between the S.U. Cooperative Extension Service to work with the project, "Strengthening Programs for Children, Youth and Families at Risk" be and it is hereby ratified.

**AGENDA ITEM 9: TUITION DISCOUNTS, 1996 SPRING SEMESTER, SUBR**

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

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that tuition discounts for employees and their spouses or dependents at SUBR for the 1996 Spring semester be and they are hereby approved.

**AGENDA ITEM 10: 1996 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE**

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

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the 1996 Football Schedule for Southern University - Baton Rouge be and it is hereby approved.

Board members Williams and Gant reiterated their desire to have a Southern University football game played in Shreveport.

Mr. Casem advised that he would attempt to persuade Northwestern Louisiana University officials to agree to change the site of their game with Southern University from Natchitoches to Shreveport. The game is scheduled for September 7, 1996.

**AGENDA ITEM 11: PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS**

On motion of Ms. Hall, seconded by Rev. Gant, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that personnel actions forms 1 - 3 for the Southern University System be and they are hereby approved.

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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 personnel action forms listed below be and they are hereby approved:

**SUBR: Forms 4 - 50, 77 - 83 and 87 - 88**

**SUSBO: Forms 67 - 76 and 86**

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

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that personnel action forms 51 - 66 and 84 and 85, as corrected, be and they are hereby approved.

**AGENDA ITEM 12:      PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN  
SUBR AND BILLES/MANNING ARCHITECTS FOR  
DEVELOPMENT OF SITE ANALYSIS,  
ARCHITECTURAL PROGRAM AND CONCEPTUAL  
DESIGN OF AN INTRAMURAL SPORTS FACILITY**

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

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the professional service contract between Southern University - Baton Rouge and Billes/Manning Architects for development of the site analysis, architectural program, and conceptual design of an Intramural Sports Facility be and it is hereby approved.

**AGENDA ITEM 12A: FOOD SERVICE CONTRACT EXTENSION, SUBR**

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

Motion carried unanimously. Dr. Stone had departed the meeting and did not vote.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that a further extension of the food service contract between Southern University Baton Rouge and Daka Restaurants, effective February 1, 1996 - May 16, 1996 be and it is hereby approved.

**AGENDA ITEM 12B: BA-7s**

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

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that BA-7s to bring into the budgets of SUBR and SUSBO funds for approved preventive maintenance and non-recurring projects be and they are hereby approved.

**AGENDA ITEM 13: LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT, SULC**

On motion of Ms. Hall, seconded by Rev. Gant, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the extension of the legal services contract between the Southern University Law Center and Atty. Norman Pizza in the amount of \$9,000 be and it is hereby approved, effective February 1, 1996 through July 31, 1996.

**AGENDA ITEM 14: REPORT FROM THE SYSTEM AND CAMPUSES**

The Board acknowledged receipt of written reports from the campuses and the Law Center. Additional oral comments were tendered:

- The Law Center has been ranked 10th out of 179 ABA approved law schools in a recently published study entitled, "Judging the Law Schools." Details were provided by the Chancellor.
- SUNO has published a media guide featuring the 1995-96 Black Knights and Lady Knights, the Men and Women's Basketball Teams. Copies were distributed to the Board.
- SUSBO ranked 2nd in a statewide Radiology Competition.

**AGENDA ITEM 15: QUARTERLY STATUS REPORTS**

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

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that quarterly status reports on capital outlay projects and major repairs and re-roofing for campus buildings be and they are hereby received.

**AGENDA ITEM 16: POLICY STATEMENT REGARDING TUITION  
EXEMPTION PROGRAMS**

Deleted.

**AGENDA ITEM 17: RESOLUTION REGARDING LOUISIANA'S  
CURRENT HIGHER EDUCATION STRUCTURE**

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

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** that the Southern University Board of Supervisors do hereby urge and support the continuance of the Southern University Board of Supervisors, the Southern University System, and the current higher education governance structure.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that while the Board of Supervisors oppose the restructuring of higher education governance, it does hereby commend the efforts of Governor Murphy Foster to stabilize funding for higher education.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Southern University Board of Supervisors do hereby oppose action which will alter the current governance structure, including any plan which abolishes, alters or diminishes the role of the Southern University Board of Supervisors or the Southern University System.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Southern University Board of Supervisors encourage all citizens of Louisiana and the alumni and supporters of Southern University, and the colleges and universities of the State of Louisiana, to urge the Governor and all state officials to support the continued existence of the current governance structure for the state's higher education system, especially the Southern University Board of Supervisors and the Southern University System and its mission and to oppose any effort or plan which alters its authority or status.



## **AGENDA ITEM 17A: RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCES**

A moment of silence was observed by the Board of Supervisors and Administrators in the memory of Dontrelle J. Tucker, son of Debra and Willie T. Sensley, Jr. and grandson of Mr. Willie T. Sensley, Sr., Vice Chairman of the Board.

On motion of Ms. Hall, seconded by Mr. Bell, the Board adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that condolences be and they are hereby extended to the families of persons named below:

- Master Frank Reynolds, Sr.
- Mrs. Hazeltine Gilliam Gladney
- Mrs. Willie Mae Jones
- Mrs. Christine Jones Fontenot
- Mr. Dontrelle J. Tucker
- Mrs. Geraldine Williams
- Mr. Reginald James

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Mr. Fontenot announced that the 1996 Queen of the Zulu Social Aid and Pleasure Club, a Carnival Krewe, was Mrs. Rose Rochè, Director of Student Activities at Southern University - Baton Rouge.

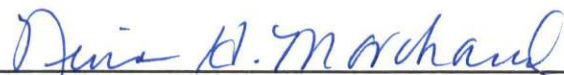
Dr. Jefferson extended commendations to Dr. Robert Gex for meeting with several New Orleans area Board members: Harvey, Kiefer and Jefferson, regarding their concerns.

The Board was advised that the S.U. Laboratory School's boys basketball team was participating in the playoffs at 6:00 P.M. today.

**AGENDA ITEM 18: ADJOURNMENT**

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

  
Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

  
Chair, S.U. Board of Supervisors