

Southern University Board of Supervisors
10:00 A.M.
Saturday, March 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 H. Marchand.

The Invocation was given by Rev. Joe A. Gant.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mrs. Nina H. Marchand, Chair
Mr. Willie T. Sensley, Vice Chair
Mr. Patrick Bell
Mr. Warren Chretien
Atty. Edselle Cunningham
Mr. Patrick Fontenot
Rev. Joe A. 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

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Allen Hamilton
Mr. Frank Williams, Jr.

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL

President Dolores R. Spikes, Secretary to the Board
Vice Presidents A. 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. Sensley, seconded by Rev. Gant, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENTS:

- Interchange Items 5 and 6
- 9a, BA-7s
- 9b. Budget for J.K. Haynes Collaborative Program
- 6a. Recognition of S.U. Lab School's Boys Basketball Team
- 12b. Special resolution by Board Chair
- 13a. Update on the Baton Rouge Community College

AGENDA ITEM 4: MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 23, 1996 BOARD MEETING

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the minutes of its regular meeting on February 23, 1996 be and they are hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 5: REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL EVALUATION COMMITTEE

The report was presented by the Chair, Dr. Andrea G. Jefferson. The document reflected the Committee's deliberations and plans for completing the evaluation of the System President.

On motion of Dr. Jefferson, seconded by Mr. Bell, the Board accepted the Committee's report.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: UPDATE FROM COUNSEL ON THE HIGHER EDUCATION
DESEGREGATION CASE, USA VS. STATE OF LOUISIANA, CASE #80-
3300A
REPORT ON THE PRESIDENTIAL EVALUATION (CONTINUED)
(EXECUTIVE SESSION)**

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Fontenot, the Board convened into an executive session to receive an update from legal counsel on the Higher Education

Desegregation Case, USA vs. State of Louisiana, Case #80-3300A and a report on the System President's evaluation.

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

- EXECUTIVE SESSION -

- OPEN SESSION -

On motion of Mrs. Scott, seconded by Mr. Fontenot, the Board reconvened into open session.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Marchand reported that no action was taken during the executive session on the aforesaid items.

Dr. Jefferson reported that the System President was evaluated in 43 areas and received an above average rating of her performance.

On motion of Mr. Fontenot, seconded by Mr. Bell, the report was accepted.

Motion carried unanimously.

The following policy statement was adopted by the Board.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that the President be and she is hereby directed to conduct an annual evaluation of the Chancellors of the three campuses and the Law Center and to report the results of said evaluations to the Board of Supervisors.

AGENDA ITEM 6A: RECOGNITION OF BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM, S.U. LABORATORY SCHOOL

Team members and coaching staff of the S.U. Laboratory School attended the meeting and were introduced to the Board. The Board's commendations were extended to the team/staff for their achievement of the Division 1A Boys' Basketball State Championship for the 4th consecutive year.

AGENDA ITEM 7: COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee

The Committee's report was presented by the Chairman, Mr. Lawson Harvey.

On motion of Mr. Harvey, seconded by Rev. Gant, 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 personnel recommendations exhibited on the following forms be and they are hereby approved.

- Forms 1, System
- Forms 2 - 4, SUBA
- Forms 3 - 7, SUNO
- Form 8, SUSBO

On motion of Mr. Harvey, seconded by Rev. Gant, the Board accepted the Committee's recommendations and adopted the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that the late submission of personnel recommendation for the forms enumerated below be and they are hereby approved, and the signatures of the appropriate University personnel shall hereafter be obtained.

- System: Forms 9 and 83
- SUBA: Forms 10 - 31; 70; 72 - 82; 84 - 88
- SUNO: Forms 32 - 68; 71; 89 - 93; 96
- SUSBO: Forms 69; 94 - 95

On motion of Mrs. Marchand, seconded by Mr. Bell, 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 the following be and it is hereby approved as undergraduate student admissions criteria for Southern University and R&M College at Baton Rouge, effective with the Fall Semester of the year 2000, for new and transfer students:

1. A score of at least 17 on the American College Test (ACT) or a score of 820 or more on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), OR a high-school grade point average (GPA) of 2.20 on a 4-point scale in the core high school college preparatory courses.
2. Successful completion of thirteen high school units of college preparatory courses:
 - a. Four units of English composition and literature - English I, II, III, and IV (English 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grades).
(Courses in Business English, journalism, reading, speech, or remedial English are not considered.)
 - b. Three units of mathematics to be selected from Algebra I, Algebra II, geometry, trigonometry, advanced mathematics, or calculus.

(Courses in consumers or business mathematics, vocational mathematics, or remedial mathematics are not considered).
 - c. Three units of natural science to include 1 unit of biology and 2 units to be selected from chemistry, physics, physical science, earth science, or environmental science.
(Courses in vocational agriculture and general or remedial science are not considered).

- d. Three units of social science to include 1 unit of American history or world history and 2 units to be selected from geography, government, economics, psychology, sociology, civics, free enterprise, multicultural studies, or American history or world history (depending on initial first unit choice). (Courses in remedial social studies are not considered.)**
- 3. An ACT score as set and published by the University and the satisfying of the University's unit requirements, along with submission of a transcript with satisfactory grades by those students completing the General Education Development (GED) program.**
- 4. For international students, passing of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) with a score of 500 or above and a grade - point average of 2.50 (on a 4- point scale), as well as other published requirements of the University.**
- 5. Students who are at least 21 years old ("adult students") shall be allowed to apply for admission in a non-matriculating status, but they shall be required to satisfy prescribed criteria prior to being admitted for study leading to a degree or certificate.**

FURTHER RESOLVED that SUBA may set more stringent requirements for admission to the Honors College or to any other honors program.

FURTHER RESOLVED that a student athlete who is awarded an athletic grant- in- aid must also comply with standards of admission as set by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and will also be subject to the academic requirements of the Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) and the NCAA.

FURTHER RESOLVED that requirements for admissions for students from unapproved schools, provisional admissions, early and concurrent admissions, and transfer students be established and published by the University.

FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to minimize test bias and to recognize artistic, scholarly, athletic and leadership talents, up to 15 percent of the total number of students admitted each year may be selected, minimum criteria notwithstanding; this exception is for admission to the University only and not to any particular program of the University.

On motion of Mr. Harvey, seconded by Atty. Cunningham, the Board adopted the report of the Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee

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

The report detailed major problems existing with facilities and maintenance projects on all campuses.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Audit Compliance and Review Committee

The Committee's report was presented by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Patrick Fontenot.

On motion of Mr. Fontenot, seconded by Mr. Chretien, 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 the update on the 1994-95 audit findings be and they are hereby received.

On motion of Mr. Fontenot, seconded by Mr. Bell, the Board adopted the report of the Audit Compliance and Review Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 8: 1996 SPRING TUITION DISCOUNTS, SUNO

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

AGENDA ITEM 9A: BA-7S

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that BA-7 #2 for SUBA reflecting a reduction in funding as required by Legislative Act 130 relative to early retirement be and it is hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 9B: BUDGET FOR J.K. HAYNES COLLABORATIVE PROGRAM

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the budget in the amount of \$150,000 for the J.K. Haynes Collaborative Program for Developing Teachers be and it is hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 10: ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the accountability report from the System Administration be and it is hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 11: REPORT FROM THE SYSTEM AND CAMPUSES, BOARD

Written reports by the Chancellors were supplemented by oral presentations. Details are on tape.

The Board was given a copy of a resolution adopted by the SUNO Student Government Association officially opposing any single board legislation which is being proposed.

Initial accreditation has been given SUSBO's Health Information Management Program. The next accreditation visit is scheduled during the 1998-99 academic year.

Mrs. Marchand expressed appreciation for the reception sponsored by the SUSBO Alumni in her honor on Friday, March 8. Mrs. Marchand and Dr. Spikes acknowledged the alumni's contribution via a radiothon on March 9 on SUSBO's behalf. This activity generated pledges/income of approximately \$64,000. Mrs. Marchand and Mr. Sensley's participation and involvement were commended by the President.

The Board was advised of a call from Senator John Guldry announcing the Senate Education Committee meeting on March 26. At this time, the Single Board Bill, SB34 and the Higher Education Funding Bill, SB33, are scheduled for consideration by the Committee.

The Board, Administration, Faculty Senate, Alumni and Community members were asked to assist in defeating the Single Board Bill (SB34). Mr. Donald Wade was requested to lead the efforts to get support of the ministers throughout the State.

AGENDA ITEM 12A: RESOLUTIONS

On motion of Mr. Fontenot, seconded by Mr. Bell, the Board adopted resolutions of condolences to the families of persons named below.

Motion carried unanimously.

- The John L. Hilson Family
- The Cleotha Lewis Pradia Family
- The Edward Ellots Family
- The Gertrude Wilson Family
- The Sadie Smith Lampkins Family
- The Carol S. Adams Family

Mr. Willie Sensley expressed his appreciation to Board members and staff and system/campus personnel for the outpouring of sympathy and support following the death of his grandson in February.

AGENDA ITEM 12B: SPECIAL PRESENTATION BY THE BOARD CHAIR

Birthday greetings and a beautiful cake were given by Chairlady Marchand as a surprise presentation to Mrs. Henrietta Vessel, the Board's Executive Assistant. Mrs. Vessel expressed her appreciation for this warm expression of kindness from the Board Chair, members of the Board, Administration, and Staff.

AGENDA ITEM 13: OTHER BUSINESS

a. Update on the Baton Rouge Community College (BRCC)

Mr. Fontenot, Chairman of the BRCC Management Council, updated the Board on the status of the BRCC. Mr. Fontenot indicated that current efforts are focused on the selection of a site for the college. The site proposed by the Chancellor will require the affirmative action of the Boards of Supervisors of Southern University and LSU.


Mr. Fontenot's update also included information regarding staff selection for the BRCC.

AGENDA ITEM 14: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Fontenot, seconded by Mr. Harvey, the meeting was adjourned.



Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors



Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors