

Southern University Board of Supervisors
10:00 A.M.
Saturday, May 18, 1996
Multi-Purpose Room
Southern University at New Orleans

MINUTES

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

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

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 R. Gant
Ms. Mamye L. Hall

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

ABSENT

None

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL

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

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mrs. Scott, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT:

Add: Item 7C: Athletics Committee Report

AGENDA ITEM 4: MINUTES OF THE APRIL 27, 1996 BOARD MEETING

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

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the minutes of the April 27, 1996 be approved as amended to include language reflecting the Board's authorization for the creation of the Office of Research and Strategic Planning at Southern University at Baton Rouge.

AGENDA ITEM 5: EXECUTIVE SESSION TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE HIGHER EDUCATION DESEGREGATION CASE

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Dr. Stone, the Board voted to convene into an executive session to discuss the Higher Education Desegregation Lawsuit, U.S.A. vs. State of Louisiana, #80-3300.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 16 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

- EXECUTIVE SESSION -

- RECONVENTION -

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Harvey, the Board voted to reconvene into open session. The Chair announced that while in executive session, the Board did not vote on any issues that were discussed.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 16 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

AGENDA ITEM 6: REPORTS FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CHANCELLORS

System

The Southern University Alumni Federation's Life Member pin was presented by Mr. Donald Wade to Board member Mamye L. Hall.

Campuses

In addition to items contained in written reports submitted by the Chancellors, the Board received oral reports on the following topics:

SUBR

- The Baseball Team's efforts to advance to the NCAA Finals
- Receipt of three grant awards for faculty appointments in Science and Technology
- Status of certification of Laboratory School Personnel
- Reduction of number of reported thefts

SUNO

- Reduction in the student default rate on loans for FY 1993-94 to 17.5%, a significant decrease in the rate which reached 34% several years ago.
- Alumnus Donald Devore's appointment to head of the Armisted Research Center in New Orleans, effective June 1, 1996
- Alumnus Doris Smith, a Ph.D. degree recipient from UNO in May 1996
- The African Arts Collection is now accessible through the Internet
- National Championship Award and other accomplishments in Intramural Sports.
- The status of the re-accreditation of the Social Work Program

SUSBO

- Reception for SUBR Football Coach Pete Richardson.
- News articles regarding the achievements of SUSBO students.
- FAA accreditation status for Aerospace Technology Programs

- Recognition of Board members and Administrators who attended commencement
- Transfer of two SUSBO students to SUNO
- Two SUSBO faculty members on leave for professional enhancement

AGENDA ITEM 7: COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee

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

On motion of Mr. Harvey, 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 personnel recommendations listed below be and they are hereby approved.

- System: Forms 1 - 3
- SUBR: Forms 4 - 12
- SULC: Forms 13 and 14
- SUNO: Forms 15 - 22
- SUSBO: Form 23



On motion of Mr. Harvey, 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 personnel recommendations listed below be and they are hereby approved.

- **SUBR: Forms 24-26 (Late Submissions)**

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- **SUNO: Forms 27-29 (Late Submissions)**
- **SUBR: Form 34**
- **SULC: Form 35**
- **SUNO: Forms 36 and 37**
- **System: Forms 30 - 33**



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 the revised policy on Extra Compensation be and it is hereby approved.



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 promotion and/or tenure recommendations for the following faculty members at Southern University at New Orleans be and they are hereby approved.

Tenure

Bonnie Alston	Social Work
Patricia Guillory	Social Work
Valeria King	Fine Arts
Rose Wilson	Social Work

Promotion From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor

Ronald Bechet	Fine Arts
Matthew Causey	Mathematics

Promotion from Instructor to Assistant Professor

Guillarne Leary

Psychology



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 the revised Certificate Program in Computer Aided Drafting at Southern University - Shreveport/Bossier be and it is hereby approved.



On motion of Mr. Harvey, 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 recommendations from the Administration to continue, without change, SUNO's current Student Load Policy be and it is hereby approved, with the provisions that :

1. **SUNO adopts policy and procedures to insure that each student, through proper counseling - academic and otherwise - progresses toward a degree in a reasonable timeframe. SUNO will have to make an effort to identify bona fide non-traditional students versus the recent high school graduate with no financial responsibilities toward his or her family.**
2. **SUNO conducts a study to indicate (over the past 15 years) numbers and percent of students who have been enrolled for consecutive semesters (number of semesters); who have dropped out; stopped out; or who have graduated. The study should be done by gender, age, transfer or first-time enrollment at SUNO, and other relevant factors.**

- 3. SUNO's policies and procedures demonstrate that it recognizes the importance of retention, graduation rates, timely progression toward graduation, the efficient utilization of resources, and public perception and support. SUNO's study (item 2) should be completed by December 31, 1996. Following discussion of the study, this recommendation (as proposed by Dr. Gex) should be revisited.**



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

Motion carried unanimously.

b. Finance and Business Affairs Committee

The report, presented by the Committee Chairman, Mr. Patrick Fontenot, contained an informational update on the University's 1996-97 operational budgets. No action was required.

On motion of Mr. Fontenot, seconded by Mr. Chretien, the Board accepted the report of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Athletics Committee

The report was presented by the Chairman, Mr. Warren Chretien.

On motion of Mr. Chretien, seconded by Mr. Sensley, 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 employment contract for Mr. Pete Richardson, head football coach at Southern University - Baton Rouge, effective January 1, 1996 - December 31, 1999, be and it is hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 8: LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

- DECUIR AND CLARK**
- BRYAN & JUPITER**

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

Motion carried. Dr. Jefferson abstained on the vote on the legal services contract with Bryan and Jupiter.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the renewal of the contract between the Board of Supervisors and Decuir and Clark, L.L.P. Attorneys at Law, effective for the period commencing July 1, 1996 and ending on June 30, 1998, be and it is hereby approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the renewal of the contract between the Board of Supervisors and Bryan & Jupiter, effective for the period commencing July 1, 1996 and terminating on June 30, 1997, be and it is hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 9: QUARTERLY STATUS REPORTS

- MAJOR REPAIRS AND RE-ROOFING PROJECTS**
- CAPITAL OUTLAY**

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

AGENDA ITEM 10: CONDOLENCES

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

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the Board's condolences be conveyed by way of a resolution to the families of persons named below:

- Mrs. Ruby Davis Harding, mother of Mrs. Jayne Massenberg, SUBR.
- Mr. Buster Small, father of Mrs. Etta Pearl Brew, former S.U. Board Member
- Dr. Russell Ampey, retired professor of Sciences and former Dean, College of Science, SUBR
- Ms. Robin Celeste Brown, daughter of Mrs. Barbara Brown, SUNO
- Dr. Annette Paul, former Principal, S.U. Laboratory School
- Ms. Dorothea Reed, former detective, SUBR, Police Department
- Mrs. Elouise Casem, mother of Mr. Marino Casem, SUBR
- Mr. Ernest Junius, grandfather of Mr. Henry Tillman, SUBR
- Mr. Henry Tillman, uncle of Mr. Henry Tillman, SUBR
- Ms. Linda Jarrell, sister of Ms. Shire' Coates
- Ms. Beatrice Whitaker, sister of Ms. Shire' Coates



Special Commendations

Mrs. Marchand presented a plaque from the Board to Rev. Joe R. Gant in recognition of his receipt of the Doctor of Ministry degree on May 3, 1996 from the Louisiana Baptist College in Shreveport, Louisiana.



Birthday greetings were extended to Mr. Ferd LeDuff, SUNO



The Board acknowledged receipt of a thank note from Board member Dorothy Scott for the flowers and get well wishes sent to her mother.

AGENDA ITEM 11: OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Fontenot presented an update on the Baton Rouge Community College and announced that the next meeting of the Management Council is scheduled for 10 A.M. on Tuesday, May 28, 1996 on the LSU Campus in Baton Rouge.

AGENDA ITEM 12: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Mr. Bell, the meeting was adjourned.


Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors


Chair, S.U. Board of Supervisors