

Special Meeting
Southern University Board of Supervisors
2:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 15, 1997
Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room
2nd Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University - Baton Rouge

Hearing Proceedings

The special meeting of the Board was convened by the Chairman, Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr.

The invocation was given by Rev. Gant.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr. - Chairman
Mr. Willie T. Sensley, Sr., - Vice-Chairman
Mr. Patrick Bell
Mr. Warren Chretien
Atty. Edselle Cunningham
Ms. Mamye L. Hall
Mr. Lawson Harvey
Dr. Andrea G. Jefferson
Mr. Reginald Joseph
Mr. Myron Lawson
Mrs. Nina H. Marchand
Mrs. Dorothy C. Scott

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Allen J. Hamilton
Mrs. Anne Z. Kiefer
Dr. Jesse N. Stone, Jr.
Mr. Frank Williams, Jr.

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

President Leon R. Tarver II, Secretary to the Board
Vice Presidents Tolor White, Edward Jackson, and Robert Johnson
Chancellors B.K. Agnihotri, Robert Gex, Jerome Greene, and Marvin Yates

AGENDA ITEM 3: OPENING STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman read a statement which indicated that the Board convened this Special Meeting to hear Dr. Bryan Lewis' appeal of the decisions rendered on his grievance, related to the textbook selection process in the Department of Biology.

**AGENDA ITEM 4: HEARING OF GRIEVANCE APPEAL OF DR. BRYAN LEWIS, SUBR
(EXECUTIVE SESSION)**

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Harvey, the Committee convened into an executive session to hear the grievance appeal of Dr Bryan Lewis, Professor of Biological Sciences at Southern at Baton Rouge.

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

Dr. Lewis did not register an objection to the executive session.

Attending the Executive Session were Dr. Bryan Lewis, his representative, Dr. Dorothy Thompson; Dr. William E. Moore and the University's representative, Dr. Earl Doomes; witnesses for Dr. Lewis, Dr. Twintillia Tate and Dr. George Williams.

-EXECUTIVE SESSION

-OPEN SESSION-

On motion of Mrs. Marchand, seconded by Mr. Chretien, the Board reconvened into an open session.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 12 yeas, 0 nays

AGENDA ITEM 5: DECISION REGARDING DR. LEWIS' GRIEVANCE APPEAL

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

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the appeal of Dr. Bryan Lewis be and it is hereby granted.

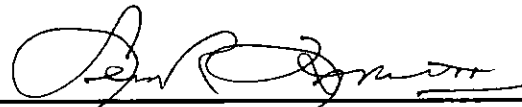
FURTHER RESOLVED that the remedy afforded to Dr. Lewis by the Board is to direct the System President to review the textbook selection process and make a policy recommendation to the Board, after input from appropriate academic personnel, with an effective date to be recommended by the President.

Motion carried unanimously.

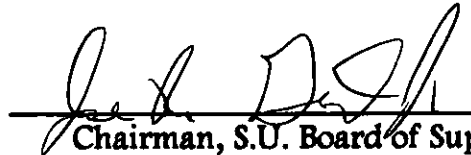
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AGENDA ITEM 6: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mrs. Marchand, seconded by Mr. Chretien, the meeting was adjourned.



Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors



Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors

Southern University Board of Supervisors
9:00 A.M.
Saturday, May 17, 1997
Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room
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Southern University - Baton Rouge

MINUTES

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr.

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AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Harvey, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

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Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT:

Add Item 6E: Athletics Committee's Report

Point of Personal Privilege

Mrs. Kiefer announced that Miss Charmaine Marchand, daughter of Board Member Nina Marchand would receive the juris doctorate degree today during Commencement Exercises of the Southern University Law Center.

The Board's commendation to Ms. Marchand were expressed by the Chair.

**AGENDA ITEM 4: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 26,
1997 REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND THE MAY
15, 1997 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

On motion of Mrs. Marchand, seconded by Ms. Hall, the minutes of the April 26, 1997 regular meeting and the May 15, 1997 special meeting of the Board of Supervisors were approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 5: REPORT FROM THE SYSTEM PRESIDENT AND
CHANCELLOR**

Written reports were provided to Board members from the System President and Chancellors.

In response to an inquiry from the Chair, Chancellor Yates reported that the renovation of the Campus House was 95% complete and that he anticipated moving into it by May 30.

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Dr. Yates indicated that he was unable to provide answers to questions posed by Dr. Jefferson regarding the amount and source of funds expended for the renovation of the Campus House during the meeting. However, this information could be obtained and reported to the Board at its June meeting.

Dr. Jefferson then requested President Tarver to obtain from Chancellor Yates a report on the renovation of the Chancellor's residence on the Baton Rouge Campus. The report is to be tendered to the Board at the June 1997 meeting and should include the following information:

- a breakdown of the total costs for the renovation
- the source used for funding the project
- whether funds dedicated for academic programs were used to fund this project; or for other purposes
- any positions which were placed in the current year's budget as being funded but were not filled; indicate the purpose for which the money was used
- the estimated amount of funds which will be carried over into the next budget year

Chancellor Greene reported on a "United Way" Meeting and the Teleconferencing System on the Shreveport Campus.

Mrs. Marchand asked the Administration to review House Bill 598 which transfers of the Bossier Parish Community College to the jurisdiction of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and the impact of this move on the SUSBO Campus.

President Tarver advised that his staff was currently analyzing this legislation and would provide a written report of its findings during the next week.

Mr. Lawson noted the need for the Board to announce its position on the various legislations affecting Southern University in order to give legislators our views and position relative to them.

AGENDA ITEM 5: COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee

The Committee's report was presented by the Chairman, Dr. Andrea G. Jefferson.

The report included recommendations for approval of the following personnel action forms:

- SUBR: Forms 1 - 8; and 13 - 23
- SULC: Forms 9 and 24
- SUNO: Forms 10 and 25
- SUSBO: Forms 11 - 12 and 26 - 34

On motion of Dr. Jefferson, seconded by Mr. Harvey, the Board approved 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 Chair, Atty. Edselle Cunningham.

The document contained a quarterly status report on the Desegregation Settlement Capital Outlay Projects for the period of January 1 - March 31, 1997.

On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board approved the report of the Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

Finance and Business Affairs Committee

The Committee's report was given by the Chair, Ms. Mamye L. Hall.

Included in the report were recommendations for Board approval of the following items:

- BA-7, No. 7 and No. 8 to pay the expense of the Southern University Marching Band's travel to Washington, D.C. for the Presidential Inauguration activities in January, 1997. (Approval is subject to the final approval of the Supplemental Appropriations Bill for 1996-97)
- Revised policies and procedures governing the criteria for establishing resident status and eligibility for non-resident fee exemptions, S.U. System, effective July 1, 1997
- Approval of student fee increases at SUNO, effective Fall 1997

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
a. SGA fee -	\$5.00	\$10.00 per semester and summer
b. Social Activities Fee	\$2.50	\$ 5.00 per semester and summer
c. Athletic Fee	\$35.00	\$50.00 per semester
	\$17.50	\$25.00 summer session

On motion of Ms. Hall, seconded by Mrs. Scott, the Board approved the report of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

- Vice Chairman Sensley Presiding -

Search Committee for Chancellor of Southern University at New Orleans

The Committee's report was presented by the Chair, Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr.

The document contained a report of the Search Committee's meeting with the Advisory Committee on May 9, 1997, an update on the search process, and suggested instruments to be used for the screening of applications.

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mrs. Kiefer, the Board approved the report of the Search Committee.

- Chairman Gant Presiding -

Athletics Committee

The Committee's report was tendered by the Vice Chair, Mr. Warren Chretien.

The report contained an overview, analysis, and plan for resolving the deficit in the Athletics Department at Southern University at New Orleans.

On motion of Mr. Chretien, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board approved the report of the Athletics Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 7: CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL LEGAL
SERVICES, SULC**

On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Ms. Hall, the Board approved the professional services contract between Attorney Normand F. Pizza of New Orleans, LA and Southern University Law Center in the amount of \$25,000.00 for the period August 1, 1996 to June 30, 1998.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 8: INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

a. Other-Race Recruitment Plans

On motion of Atty. Cunningham, seconded by Mrs. Marchand, the Board accepted the report on the Other-Race Recruitment Plans for the Southern University Campuses in Baton Rouge and New Orleans.

Motion carried unanimously.

b. Higher Education Desegregation Quarterly Reports

On motion of Mrs. Marchand, seconded by Mr. Harvey, the Board accepted the Higher Education Desegregation Quarterly Reports for the Southern University Campuses in Baton Rouge and New Orleans.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 9: RESOLUTIONS

On motion of Mrs. Marchand, seconded by Mr. Bell, the Board approved the following resolutions.

Commendations

Mr. Tom Eames, member of the Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church in Baton Rouge for celebrating his 100th birthday on May 6.

Condolences

- The Emmanuel Rogers Family
- The Beverlyn Louise Howard Victorian Family
- The Willie Mellion, Sr. Family
- The Juanita Meeks Family

AGENDA ITEM 10: OTHER BUSINESS

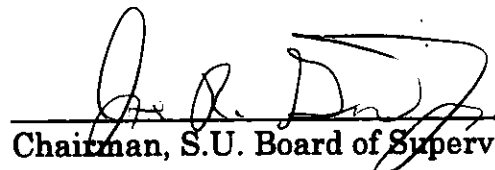
NONE

AGENDA ITEM 11: ADJOURNMENT

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



Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors



Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors