Southern University Board of Supervisors Saturday, September 20, 1997 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 Chairman, Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr.

# PRESENT

Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr. - Chairman

Mr. Willie T. Sensley, Sr. - Vice Chairman

Mr. Harrison Baptiste

Mr. Patrick Bell

Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.

Mr. Jason Brown, Student Member

Mr. Warren Chretien

Ms. Mamye L. Hall

Mr. Lawson Harvey

Dr. Andrea G. Jefferson

Mr. Myron Lawson

Mr. Louis Miller

Mr. Frank Williams, Jr.

#### ABSENT

Mrs. Anne Z. Kiefer, Jr.

Mrs. Nina H. Marchand

Mrs. Dorothy C. Scott

# UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

President Leon R. Tarver II

Vice Presidents Lawrence Couvillon, Edward Jackson and Tolor White Chancellors B.K. Agnihotri, Jerome Greene, Gerald Peoples, and Marvin Yates

The oath of office was administered to the following persons who were recently appointed to the Board:

Mr. Harrison Baptiste, At-large Member

Mr. Jason Brown, Student Member

Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr. - 6th Congressional District

# AGENDA ITEM 4: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Ms. Hall, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

## AMENDMENTS:

Item 8E. SUBR: Forms 58 - 73A

8F. SULC: Form 74

8G. SUNO: Forms 75 - 76

8H. SUBR: Forms 77 - 79 (Late Submissions)

10B. Requests for approval of 1997 Fall Tuition Discounts, SUBR and SUNO

13A. Higher Education Desegregation Quarterly Report, SUNO

# AGENDA ITEM 5: SPECIAL PRESENTATION - ATTY. EDSELLE CUNNINGHAM

The members of the Board and Administration recognized Atty. Edselle Cunningham for his service as a member of the Board of Supervisors from January 1991 to August 1997.

Atty. Cunningham expressed his gratitude for having had the opportunity to serve on the Board and distributed tokens of appreciation to several of the Board and University Staff for their assistance throughout his tenure.

# AGENDA ITEM 6: MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 23, 1997 BOARD MEETING

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Harvey, the minutes of the August 23, 1997 Board meeting were approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Willie T. Sensley, presiding -

# AGENDA ITEM 7: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT

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

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Bell,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the report of the Executive Committee, which includes the following recommendation, be and it is hereby approved.

 Denial of the request by Mrs. Evelyn Wilson (SULC) for a hearing of her appeal of the actions taken on her application for promotion and affirmation of the Administration's action as it relates to her appeal.

Motion carried unanimously.

- Rev. Gant presiding -

## AGENDA ITEM 8: PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

On motion of Ms. Hall, seconded by Mr. Bell,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that personnel action forms listed below be and they are hereby approved:

SUBR: Forms 1 - 37, 50 - 54, 58 - 73A and 77 - 79

SUNO: Forms 38 - 43, 55 - 57 and 75 - 76

SUSBO: Forms 44 - 49

SULC: Form 74

Motion carried unanimously.

# AGENDA ITEM 9: LOUISIANA STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COMMISSION AND LOUISIANA TUITION TRUST AUTHORITY

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Ms. Hall,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the appointment of Mr. Myron Lawson to the Louisiana Student Financial Assistance Commission and Louisiana Tuition Trust Authority be and it is hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 10:** 

RECOMMENDATION RELATIVE TO THE POSITION OF

VICE CHANCELLOR OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS.

**CAMPUSES** 

On motion of Dr. Jefferson, seconded by Ms. Hall,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that all appointments to the position of Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs in the Southern University System shall include appropriate faculty rank and tenure.

AGENDA ITEM 10A:

SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR UNCLASSIFIED NON-FACULTY EMPLOYEES, SULC

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Harvey,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that recommended salary adjustments for unclassified, non-faculty employees at the S.U. Law Center be and they are hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 10B:

1997 FALL TUITION DISCOUNTS, SUBR, SUSBO AND

SUNO

On motion of Mr. Brown, seconded by Dr. Jefferson,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that 1997 Fall tuition discounts for SUBR, SUSBO and SUNO employees and/or their dependents/spouses be and they are hereby approved.

### **AGENDA ITEM 11: RESOLUTIONS**

On motion of Mr. Sensley, seconded by Mr. Lawson,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that resolutions to the families listed below be and they are hereby appeared:

- The Climon Ford, Jr. Family.
- The Arnold Decuir Family.

- The Carolyn Hebert Fulton Family.
- The Audrey D. LeBlanc Family
- The Eva Jenkins Lewis Family.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **AGENDA ITEM 12:**

REPORTS FROM THE SYSTEM PRESIDENT AND CHANCELLORS

Written reports which provided information relative to activities at the System and Campus levels were submitted by the President and Chancellors.

The following announcements were made:

### SUBR

The review of the architectural programs by Board of Regents' consultants has been completed. The Regents are expected to act affirmatively regarding the program on October 28.

The Business and Industry Cluster has donated \$60,000 to fund an Endowed Chair in the College of Business at SUBR.

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Commendations were offered by Ms. Hall on the pinning ceremony for Honors College students which was held on September 19 in the Student Union on the SUBR Campus.

## SULC

Law students were interviewed by over 55 law firms that participated in the Law Center's Annual Job Fair.

### SUSBO

A 17% increase over Fall 1996 was realized in the 1997 Fall enrollment.

AGENDA ITEM 13 AND 13A:

HIGHER EDUCATION DESEGREGATION QUARTERLY REPORTS

Quarterly reports on the implementation of the Higher Education Desegregation Programs at SUBR and SUNO were received.

# AGENDA ITEM 14: RESTRUCTURING THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

The plan for restructuring the Graduate School on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus was received for informational purposes.

# **AGENDA ITEM 15: OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Sensley asked the Administration to present a report to the Board at its October meeting on the number and other demographic information concerning students in the Teacher Education Program, including the passage rate of students who take the National Teachers Examination.

Dr. Yates announced that Bayou Classic ticket sales would begin on Monday, September 29, 1997.

## **AGENDA ITEM 16: ADJOURNMENT**

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

Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors