

Southern University Board of Supervisors
9:00 a.m.
Saturday, June 20, 1998
Multi-Purpose Building
Southern University - New Orleans

MINUTES

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

The invocation was given by Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr. - Chairman
Mr. Myron Lawson, Vice Chairman
Mr. Harrison Baptiste
Mrs. Dottie H. Bell
Mr. Patrick Bell
Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.
Mr. Jason Brown

Mr. Warren Chretien
Ms. Mamye L. Hall
Dr. Andrea G. Jefferson
Ms. Anne Z. Kiefer
Mr. Louis Miller
Mrs. Dorothy C. Scott
Mr. Willie T. Sensley, Sr.

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT

Mr. Lawson Harvey

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

President Leon R. Tarver II
Vice Presidents L. Couvillon, R. Slaughter and T. White
Chancellors B.K. Agnihotri, J. Greene, G. Peoples; Chancellor Designate E. Jackson

Atty. W. DeCuir

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Ms. Hall, seconded by Mrs. Kiefer, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENTS:

ADD:
Agenda Item 4d(3): Commendations to Lt. Col. Charles Holden

- 6A: Authorization to the President to negotiate and execute a modified lease contract for the Metro Center, SUSBO
- 6B: Authorization to the President to negotiate and authorize actions in consultation with the Board Chair and Legal Counsel pending Board ratification at its next regular meeting

Delete Item 4C(2): Legal services contract with Bryan and Jupiter

AGENDA ITEM 4A: MINUTES OF THE MAY 22, 1998 BOARD MEETING

On motion of Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Dr. Jefferson,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the minutes of the May 22, 1998 Board meeting be and they are hereby approved.

AGENDA ITEM 4B: COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee

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

On motion of Dr. Jefferson, seconded by Mr. Baptiste, the Board approved the report of the Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee which includes the following resolutions.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee, that the following academic calendars for the campuses and the Law Center be and they are hereby approved.

SUBR: Fall 1998 - Summer 1999
SULC: Summer 1998 - Fall 1999
SUNO: Fall 1998 - Spring 1999
SUSBO: Fall 1998 - Fall 2000

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee, that candidates for degrees at the 1998 Summer Commencement Exercises on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus be and they are hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee, that the awarding of an Honorary Doctorate of Engineering to U.S. Army Lt. Col. Joe N. Ballard at the 1998 Summer Commencement Exercises at Southern University - Baton Rouge, be and it is hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee, that the promotion and awarding of tenure to Dr. Gary Simon, SUBR, and Mr. Thomas Richard, SULC, be and they are hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee, that the following personnel action forms be and they are hereby approved.

SUBR: Forms 1 - 6, 18 - 21, 26 - 31, 32 (Corrected), 33 - 53, 63 - 71 and 75
SULC: Forms 7 - 9 and 22
SUNO: Forms 10 -13, 23 and 54 - 62 and 76
SUSBO: Forms 14 - 17, 24 - 25 and 72 - 74

Rev. Gant abstained from voting on Form 74.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee, that the Administration's request for an exemption from the advertisement requirement for the following key positions in the reorganization of Finance and Administration on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus, be and it is hereby approved:

- Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration
- Associate Vice Chancellor for Financial Operations
- Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities Operations

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of its Academic and Faculty Affairs/Personnel Policy Committee, that the appointments to the following administrative positions at Southern University - Baton Rouge, effective July 1, 1998, be and they are hereby approved:

- **Mr. Flandus McClinton, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration at a 12-month salary of \$82,000;**
- **Mr. Suman Tony Moudgil, Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities Operations at a 12-month salary of \$63,000;**
- **Ms. Gwendolyn Bennett, Associate Vice Chancellor for Financial Operations at a 12-month salary of \$68,000; and**
- **Ms. Debra Ephrom, Director of Financial Aid at a 12-month salary of \$50,075.**

- Vice Chairman Myron Lawson presiding -

Executive Committee

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

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Ms. Hall, the Board approved the report of the Executive Committee which included the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, that the Administration's action taken on the grievance appeal filed by Dr. William Stewart, on behalf of the Faculty Senate on the Southern University at New Orleans Campus, be and it is hereby upheld and the request for a hearing by the Board be and it is hereby denied.

- Chairman Gant presiding-

Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee

The Committee's report was presented by the Chairman, Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.

On motion of Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Mr. Miller, the Board approved the report of the Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee which includes the following resolutions.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee, that the Administration's request to use insurance money from the burned Stockyard Building to construct a new Infirmary on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus be and it is hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee, that the Administration be and it is hereby authorized to negotiate a lease and/or the purchase of the building at 606 Harding Boulevard for Southern University - Baton Rouge, subject to Board ratification.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee, that the request to amend the right-of-way grant agreement between Exxon Pipeline Company and the Board of Supervisors for the SUBR Campus be and it is hereby approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED that authorization is hereby granted to S.U. System President Leon R. Tarver II to negotiate the amending terms and conditions of the agreement, in consultation with the Board's legal counsel, and to execute the amended agreement on behalf of the Board of Supervisors.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, upon the recommendation of the Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee, that S.U. System President Leon R. Tarver II, in consultation with the Board's legal counsel, is hereby authorized to approve and execute bookstore lease contracts for the campuses in the S.U. System, subject to ratification by the Board at its next meeting.

Finance and Business Affairs Committee

The Committee's report was presented by the Chairman, Ms. Mamye L. Hall.

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On motion of Ms. Hall, seconded by Mr. Brown, the Board approved the report of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee which includes the following resolutions.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee, that BA-7 #4 (revised) for Southern University - Shreveport, which reflects an increase of \$136,642 in self-generated revenues, be and it is hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee, that the Administration, in consultation with the Board's legal counsel, be and it is hereby authorized to award the lease of space for dining services for Southern University - Baton Rouge (Proposal #255211) to Aramark, Inc., and further, the Chancellor of Southern University - Baton Rouge and the President of the University System are hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a contract for the lease of space as advertised by the Request for Proposals (RFP).

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee, that authorization be and it is hereby granted to the System Administration to initiate payroll deduction privileges to all Southern University System employees who desire to participate in the START Savings Program.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University upon the recommendation of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee, that the Administration be and it is hereby authorized to use insurance money from the burned Stockyard building to construct a new Infirmary on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee, that the Administration be and it is hereby authorized to negotiate a lease and/or the purchase of the building located at 606 Harding Boulevard for Southern University - Baton Rouge.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon recommendation of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee, that the request to amend the Right-of-Way Grant Agreement between Exxon Pipeline Company and the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus, be and it is hereby approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED that authorization be and it is hereby granted to S.U. System President, Leon R. Tarver II to negotiate the amending terms and conditions of the agreement, in consultation with the Board's legal counsel, and to execute the amended agreement on behalf of the Board of Supervisors.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee, that S.U. System President Leon R. Tarver II, in consultation with the Board's legal counsel be, and he is hereby authorized to approve and execute bookstore lease contracts for the campuses in the S.U. System, subject to ratification by the Board at its next meeting.

Audit Compliance and Review Committee

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

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mrs. Scott, the Board approved the report of the Audit Compliance and Review Committee which includes the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Audit Compliance and Review Committee, that management review plans developed by the Internal Auditor for the campuses and the Law Center during the 1998-99 fiscal year, be and they are hereby approved.

- Vice Chairman Lawson presiding -

SUSBO Chancellor Search Committee

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

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mrs. Bell, the Board approved the report of the Search Committee for Chancellor of the Southern University - Shreveport-Bossier Campus which includes the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the SUSBO Chancellor Search Committee, that the mechanisms for the screening of applications be and they are hereby approved.

The report also reflects the deliberations of the Search Committee during its initial meeting with the Advisory Committee.

- Chairman Gant presiding -

Ad Hoc Committee on the President and Chancellors' Salaries

The Committee's report was presented by the Chairman, Ms. Mamye L. Hall.

On motion of Ms. Hall, seconded by Mrs. Scott, the Board approved the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the President and Chancellors' Salaries which includes the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee on the President and Chancellors' Salaries, that the following recommendation from the Administration be and it is hereby approved:

The salaries of all unclassified employees in the Southern University System shall be reviewed to determine where each is percentage-wise to the SREB average for employee's category. Using the SREB averages for the various employee categories as the standard, a determination should be made on the ratio of progress (percentage of the SREB average) of each employee's salary to the SREB average. After the percentage determination is made, a procedure within their category will be developed based on established parity and equity considerations.

AGENDA ITEM 4C: LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE LAW FIRM OF DECUIR AND CLARK

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

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the contract for professional legal services with the law firm of DeCuir and Clark for the period of July 1, 1998 through June 30, 2000 be and it is hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4D(1): CONTRACT AUTHORIZATIONS WITH THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS

- (A) **RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that Dr. Leon R. Tarver, System President and his/her successors in the Office be and they are hereby authorized to negotiate, on terms and conditions that he may deem advisable, a contract or contracts with the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, and to execute said documents on behalf of the corporation, and further give him the power and authority to do all the things necessary to implement, maintain, amend or renew said documents.
- (B) **RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that Dr. Gerald C. Peoples, Chancellor, Southern University at New Orleans and/or his successor in the office be and they are hereby authorized to negotiate, on terms and conditions that he may deem advisable, a contract or contracts with the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals for Southern University at New Orleans Basic Elderly Crisis Counseling Intervention Grant; and to execute said documents on behalf of Southern University at New Orleans, subject to the approval of the President of the Southern University System.

FURTHER RESOLVED that Dr. Gerald Peoples is hereby given the power and authority to do all things necessary to implement, maintain, amend, or renew such approved documents for the period of July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999.

AGENDA ITEM 4D(2): RESOLUTIONS

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Condolences

- The Genner Couter Family
- The Stephanie Smith Family
- The Rosa Moore Pennywell Family
- The Ella Huntsberry Family
- The Helene Cook Francis Family
- The Eugene Green Family

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- The Elsie R. Ishem Family
- The Mary Davidson Family
- The Curtis Davidson Family

Commedation

- Lt. Col. Charles Holden (SU Army ROTC) upon his assuming a new position at Ft. Eustic, Newport News, VA.

AGENDA ITEM 5: REPORTS FROM THE SYSTEM PRESIDENT AND CHANCELLORS

Documents are on file in the Board's Office.

AGENDA ITEM 6A: AUTHORIZATION TO THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A MODIFIED LEASE CONTRACT FOR THE METRO CENTER, SUSBO

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

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that System President Leon R. Tarver II be and he is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a modified lease contract for the Metro Center at Southern University - Shreveport.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6B: AUTHORIZATION TO THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE AND AUTHORIZE ACTIONS IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BOARD CHAIR AND LEGAL COUNSEL

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

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that System President Leon R. Tarver II be and he is hereby authorized to negotiate and authorize actions, in consultation with the Board Chair and legal counsel, between the meetings of the Board, pending Board ratification at its next regular meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

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

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Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joe R. Dwyer", written over a horizontal line.

Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors