

Southern University Board of Supervisors
1:00 p.m.
Friday, May 22, 1998
Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room
2nd Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University - Baton Rouge

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Mr. Harrison Baptiste
Mr. David Bell
Mrs. Dottie H. Bell
Mr. Patrick Bell
Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.
Mr. Jason Brown

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

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Mrs. Anne Z. Kiefer

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AGENDA ITEM 4A: MINUTES OF THE APRIL 25, 1998 BOARD MEETING

On motion of Rev. Bilberry, seconded by Mr. Harvey,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the minutes of the April 25, 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 Mr. Patrick Bell, seconded by Mr. Harvey, 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 that the personnel recommendations listed below be and they are hereby approved, as amended.

- SUBR: Forms 1 - 18 and 44 - 51
- SULC: Forms 19 - 21 and 52 - 54
- SUNO: Forms 22 - 37a, 55 - 57 and 60
- SUSBO: Forms 38 - 43 and 58 - 59

Mr. Patrick Bell abstained from voting on Form 37a.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the promotion and tenure recommendation for Mr. John Pierre at the Law Center be and it is hereby approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED that remaining promotion and tenure recommendations from the Law Center be and they are hereby deferred until the Chancellor submits the requested support documents.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that tenure recommendations from Southern University at New Orleans be and they are hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that the Endowed Professorship Appointments Policy for the Southern University System be and it is hereby approved.

The report reflected a statement by Dr. Peoples regarding a reorganization plan for the Small Business Development Center at SUNO that will address the Committee's expressed concerns.

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. Patrick Bell,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the report of the Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee be and it is hereby approved.

The report contained updates on major repairs and re-roofing projects for campus buildings, capital outlay projects for the three campuses, and the stadium renovation and expansion project on the Southern University - Baton Rouge campus.

Finance and Business Affairs Committee

The Committee's report was presented by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Willie T. Sensley, Sr.

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

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that student technology fees for assessment at SUSBO and SUNO, effective Fall 1998, be and they are hereby approved.

SUSBO: \$5.00 per credit hour, up to a maximum of \$45.00 during the Fall and Spring semesters and \$10.00 for the summer session

SUNO: \$5.00 per student per semester credit hour, not to exceed the legal limits of \$100.00 per semester

Motion carries unanimously.

Audit Compliance and Review Committee

On motion of Mr. P. Bell, seconded by Rev. Bilberry,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the report of the Audit Compliance and Review Committee be and it is hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

The report reflected an update on actions to correct audit deficiencies within the Southern University System.

- Vice Chairman Myron Lawson presiding -

Search Committee for Chancellor of the Southern University - Shreveport/Bossier Campus

The Committee's reports were presented by the Chairman, Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr.

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mrs. Bell, the Board approved the May 8 and May 22, 1998 reports of the Search Committee for Chancellor of the Southern University - Shreveport/Bossier Campus which include the following resolutions.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that a national search be implemented to fill the Chancellor's position at Southern University - Shreveport/Bossier.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that a sub-committee, chaired by Mr. Harrison Baptiste, to handle the pre-employment screening of candidates be authorized and it is hereby approved.

The appointment of Mr. Ralph Slaughter to the sub-committee was suggested by President Tarver.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the appointment of Mr. S. Albert Gilliam as Interim Chancellor of the Southern University - Shreveport/Bossier Campus, effective August 1, 1998 - December 31, 1998, be and it is hereby approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the membership composition of the Chancellor Search Advisory Committee, as listed below, be and it is approved.

3 - Students
3 - Faculty
3 - Staff
3 - Alumni
3 - Community Leaders
2 - At-large members
17 total

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the staff action advertising the revised Chancellor vacancy announcement be and it is hereby ratified.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the following Chancellor search-related documents be and they are hereby approved:

- Position Description
- Tentative Search Timetable
- Tentative Search Budget
- Advisory Committee and its Role

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the appointment of Mr. Ishmail Abdul-Rahman, SUSBO Student Government Association President, to the Chancellor Search Committee, be and it is hereby approved, effective immediately.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the following persons appointed by the Board Chairman shall serve as an ad hoc committee to study the salaries of the System President and Chancellors:

- Ms. Mamye L. Hall, Chairman
- Mr. David L. Bell
- Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.
- Dr. Andrea G. Jefferson
- Mr. Myron Lawson

This Committee will make any recommendations for salary adjustments at the June 1998 Board meeting that it deems appropriate and feasible based upon its findings.

- Chairman Gant presiding -

AGENDA ITEM 4C: RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that resolutions of condolences to the following families be and they are hereby approved:

- The Ambroise Landry Family
- The Gene Storer Family
- The Horace Moody Family
- The Lonnie Hall Family
- The Louis Berry Family
- The William Reed Canada, III Family

Chairman Gant announced that former System President Dolores Spikes recently underwent surgery in Maryland. Floral "get-well" expressions will be sent to her from the Board of Supervisors.

**AGENDA ITEM 5A: REPORT FROM THE SYSTEM PRESIDENT AND
CHANCELLORS**

Updates on the System and Campuses were provided orally and in writing by the President and Chancellors.

AGENDA ITEM 5B: DESEGREGATION QUARTERLY REPORTS

Written updates were provided on the status of Higher Education Desegregation Programs at SUBR and SUNO.

Baton Rouge Community College

A status report was given by Chancellor Marion Bonaparte on the implementation of the Baton Rouge Community College. Details are on tape.

**AGENDA ITEM 6A REPORT ON THE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF THE
CHANCELLOR OF THE S.U. LAW CENTER (EXECUTIVE
SESSION)**

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mrs. Bell, the Board convened into an executive session to hear a report from the President on the performance evaluation of Mr. B.K. Agnihotri as Chancellor of the Law Center.

Motion call unanimously. Roll call vote: 14 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.
2 absent: Kiefer and Scott

- EXECUTIVE SESSION -

Mrs. Scott entered the meeting.

- OPEN SESSION -

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On motion of Mr. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Chretien, the Board reconvened into open session.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 15 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.
1 absent: Kiefer

President Tarver reported that his evaluation of Mr. B.K. Agnihotri's performance as Chancellor of the Law Center was positive.

AGENDA ITEM 6B: COMMENDATIONS

Mr. Shedrick Roy, the SGA President at Southern University at New Orleans presented awards of commendations to Board Member David Bell and Chancellor Gerald Peoples.

The Board recognized the presence of Miss Jessica Pulliam, newly-elected SGA President on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus.

Dr. Jefferson announced that Mrs. Dottie Bell was recently chosen to receive the "Teacher of the Year - Middle School Section" Award in Caddo Parish.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

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

Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors