

Southern University Board of Supervisors
2:00 p.m.
Friday, June 18, 1999
Multi-Purpose Building
Southern University at New Orleans

MINUTES

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Mr. Myron K. Lawson. The invocation was given by Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr.

Present

Mr. Myron Lawson, Chairman
Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr., Vice-Chairman
Mr. Ishmail Abdul-Rahman
Mr. Harrison Baptiste
Mrs. Dottie Bell
Mr. Patrick Bell
Atty. John F.K. Belton
Mr. Richard Caiton
Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr.
Ms. Mamye L. Hall
Mr. John W. Joseph
Mr. Louis Miller
Ms. Lea Polk
Mrs. Dorothy C. Scott

Absent

Mr. Bertel Dejoie
Mrs. Anne Z. Kiefer

AGENDA ITEM 4: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Joseph, seconded by Ms. Hall, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 5A: MINUTES OF THE MAY 14, 1999 BOARD MEETING
5B: COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the minutes of the May 14, 1999 Board meeting be and they are hereby approved, with the following corrections.

Motion carried unanimously.

P.7, Item 5C(1) Information Requests

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Dejoie,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the SUNO Administration be and it is hereby requested to submit a preliminary report at the August Board meeting and a final report at the January Board meeting on the economic impact of the Bayou Classic on the City of New Orleans.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the System Administration be and it is hereby requested to submit a preliminary report at the August Board meeting and a final report at the January Board meeting on the establishment of a systemwide communication system that will entail electronic mail, voice mail and internet access.

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Academic Affairs Committee

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the following promotion and tenure recommendations submitted by SUBR be and they are hereby approved.

	Promotion and Tenure	
Aileen Hendricks	Assistant Professor to Associate Professor	English

Hamid Majlesein Tenure Only Electrical Engineering
Assistant Professor

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that promotion and tenure for the following persons at SUBR be and it is hereby denied.

Dr. Olethia Davis - Political Science
Dr. Rose Evans - Psychology

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the letter of intent and proposal to establish (1) a Bachelor of General Studies Program and (2) an Honors Program at Southern University at New Orleans be and it is hereby approved.

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that candidates for degrees at the 1999 Summer Commencement Exercises on the Southern University-Baton Rouge Campus be and they are hereby approved.

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the Strategic Plan for the Master of Arts in Museum Studies and Cultural Preservation Program at Southern University at New Orleans be and it is hereby approved.

Athletics Committee

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Athletics Committee, that the 1999-2000 operating budgets for the Departments of Athletics at Southern University at New Orleans and Southern University - Shreveport be and they are hereby approved.

Southern University at New Orleans	\$460,190
Southern University - Shreveport	\$ 63,425

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Athletics Committee, that the appointment of Ms. Brenda Edmonds as Interim Director of Athletics at Southern University-Baton Rouge, effective July 1, 1999 at a 12-month salary of \$66,964 be and it is hereby approved.

Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee, that renovations at T.H. Harris Hall Annex be renovated to house the Financial Aid Department on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus be and it is hereby approved.

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Facilities, Property and Grounds Committee, that the request from the Exxon Pipeline Company for a right-of-way to lay a pipeline across portions of the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus property at the Baker Farm location be and it is hereby approved, contingent upon the correcting of past problems created by Exxon on Southern University - Baton Rouge property.

Motion carried unanimously.

Informational Reports (Campuses)

- Capital Outlay Projects
- Major Repairs and Re-roofing Projects
- Facilities Utilization

Finance and Business Affairs Committee

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee, that the Financial and Compliance Representation Letters for the period of July 1, 1998 through June 30, 1999 for the Board and System Administration and the Southern University Campuses at Baton Rouge, New Orleans and Shreveport be and they are hereby approved.

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee, that the following BA-7s be and they are hereby approved.

-BA-7# (Revised) for Southern University at New Orleans in the amount of \$1,145,333. The revised BA-7 reflects a carry forward of unexpended funds, per authorization of ACT 19, Regular Session 1998, for implementation of the USA vs. State of Louisiana Desegregation Settlement Agreement.

-BA-7#2 (Revised) for Southern University - Shreveport in the amount of \$175,369. The BA-7 reflects fees and self-generated revenues derived from an increase in enrollment at the campus for the 1998-99 fiscal year.

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Business Affairs Committee, that the increase in the Intramural Sports program fee from \$3.00 to \$10.00 per semester at Southern University at New Orleans, effective Fall Semester 1999, be and it is hereby approved.

Informational Report

Fiscal year 2000-2001 Budget Request Hearing for Southern University at New Orleans.

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Informational Report

Fiscal year 2000-2001 Budget Request Hearing for Southern University at New Orleans.

Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that the appointment of Dr. Earl Doomes as Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Support Programs and tenured Professor of Chemistry at Southern University-Baton Rouge, effective July 1, 1999 at a twelve-month salary of \$88, 000, be and it is hereby approved.

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that the appointment of Ms. Crystal Joseph as Director of Development and Publications in the College of Engineering at Southern University - Baton Rouge, effective May 1, 1999 at a twelve month salary of \$35,000 be and it is hereby approved.

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that the appointment of Ms. Marsha Cuddeback as Director of the Scotlandville Design Center for the School of Architecture effective July 1, 1999 at a twelve month salary of \$50,000, be and it is hereby approved.

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that the appointment of Ms. Cynthia Reed as Director of Continuing Legal Education, Alumni Affairs and Public Service at the Southern University Law Center at a twelve-month salary of \$50,000 be and it is hereby approved.

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that the appointment of Mr. Warner Brown as Director of the Minority

Institute of Science on the Southern University - Shreveport Campus at a salary of \$4,000 for a six-week period be and it is hereby approved.

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that the request from the Chancellor of the Southern University - Shreveport Campus to conduct a focused search to secure a list of qualified applicants for the position of Vice-Chancellor for Fiscal Affairs be and it is hereby approved.

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Upon a motion by Atty. Belton, seconded by Mrs. Scott, the Committee recommended, and the Board concurred with, the Administration's request to withdraw the recommendation for appointment of a Director of Cooperative Education in the School of Architecture at Southern University - Baton Rouge.

Motion carried unanimously.

Informational Report

- Plan for improving security on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus

Higher Education Desegregation Committee

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, upon the recommendation of the Higher Education Desegregation Committee, that the Committee's report which contains the following informational items, be and it is hereby approved.

Informational Items

- Update on Higher Education Desegregation Litigation (Executive Session)
- Desegregation Funding under the Settlement Agreement

**AGENDA ITEM 5C: SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY - SHREVEPORT
FOUNDATION**

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mrs. Dottie Bell,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that the Administration's request to seek section 501(c)(3) status (non-profit corporation) to establish a foundation for the Southern University at Shreveport Campus be and it is hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 5D: RATIFICATION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT AND
INCORPORATION OF THE SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY
AT NEW ORLEANS BUSINESS/INDUSTRY
FOUNDATION, INC.**

On motion of Mr. Caiton, seconded by Mr. Joseph,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the Administration's request for ratification of the establishment and incorporation of the Southern University at New Orleans Business/Industry Foundation, Inc. be and it is hereby granted.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 5E: RESOLUTIONS

Commendations

On motion of Ms. Hall, seconded by Rev. Gant,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the resolution of commendations to Rev. Theodore J. Jemison in recognition of his 50th Anniversary as Pastor of the First Mount Zion Baptist Church in Baton Rouge be and it is hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

Condolences

On motion of Mr. Patrick Bell, seconded by Mr. Baptiste,

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

Motion carried unanimously.

- Mrs. Karla Wade Johnson
- Mr. Patrick Charles Patin
- Mr. Warren R. Hawkins
- Mrs. Lois Randall Heath
- Ms. Ruffin

AGENDA ITEM 5F: SPECIAL RECOGNITION

An award of appreciation from the Board to retiring Athletics Director Marino Casem was accepted by Chancellor Jackson on Mr. Casem's behalf.

AGENDA ITEM 6: EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE PERSONNEL EVALUATION OF CHANCELLOR GERALD PEOPLES, SUNO

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Patrick Bell, the Board convened into an executive session to discuss the personnel evaluation of Chancellor Gerald Peoples, Southern University at New Orleans.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 14 yeas

Lawson, Bilberry, Abdul-Rahman, Baptiste, D. Bell, P. Bell, Belton, Caiton, Gant, Hall, Joseph, Miller, Polk and Scott. Nays: none Absent: Dejoie and Kiefer

Dr. Peoples did not object to the Executive Session.

-EXECUTIVE SESSION-

-OPEN SESSION-

On motion of Mrs. Dottie Bell, by seconded Rev. Bilberry, the Board reconvened into open session.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 14 yeas

Lawson, Bilberry, Abdul-Rahman, Baptiste, D. Bell, P. Bell, Belton, Caiton, Gant, Hall, Joseph, Miller, Polk, and Scott. Nays: None Absent: Dejoie and Kiefer

Chairman Lawson announced that the Board met in an Executive Session to discuss the personnel evaluation of Dr. Gerald Peoples. No motions were made nor votes taken during the Executive Session.

AGENDA ITEM 7A: PUBLIC OPINION POLLING, SUBR

Chancellor Jackson provided a written report on SUBR's capabilities for conducting public opinion polls. The report was presented in response to a request by Mr. Patrick Bell during the Board's May meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 7B: REPORT FROM THE SYSTEM PRESIDENT AND CHANCELLORS

The reports are on file in the Board's Office.

AGENDA ITEM 8A: ANNOUNCEMENT

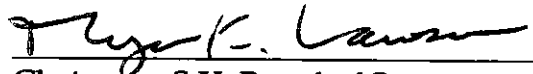
The Board was advised of the schedule for the Annual Retreat on Tuesday and Wednesday, July 13-14, 1999 at the Omni Park West Hotel in Dallas, Texas. The Board is also scheduled to participate in the Southern University Alumni Federation's Annual Conference at the same location on July 15-17.

AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mr. Caiton, the meeting was adjourned.



Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors



Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors