

Southern University Board of Supervisors  
Friday, April 14, 2000  
Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building  
Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus

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. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.

Present

Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Chairman  
Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Harrison Baptiste  
Mr. Dottie H. Bell  
Mr. Patrick Bell  
Atty. John F.K. Belton  
Mr. Richard J. Caiton, Jr.  
Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr.  
Mr. John W. Joseph  
Mr. Louis Miller  
Ms. Lea Polk  
Mrs. Dorothy C. Scott  
Mr. Elvin Sterling

Absent

Mr. Bertel Dejoie  
Ms. Mamye L. Hall  
Ms. Anne Z. Kiefer

University Personnel Attending

President Leon R. Tarver II  
Vice Presidents Press Robinson, Ralph Slaughter and Tolor White  
Chancellors B.K. Agnihotri, James C. Brown, Joseph Bouie and Edward Jackson  
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Atty. Winston DeCuir

#### **AGENDA ITEM 4: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mrs. Scott, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **AMENDMENTS:**

Item 4d: Personnel Recommendations, SUNO

Item 4e: Emergency Closure, SUNO

#### **AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS**

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Ms. Polk, the Board adopted the following resolutions.

Motion carried unanimously.

##### **A. Minutes of the March 23 - 24, 2000 Board Meeting**

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the minutes of the Board of Supervisors' regular meeting on March 23 - 24, 2000 be and they are hereby approved.

##### **B. Committee Reports**

##### **Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

##### **• Tenure and Promotion Recommendations**

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

##### **TENURE AND PROMOTION**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Rank</u>
Norma L. Dawkins	Family and Consumer Sciences	Associate Professor
Elizabeth Finch	Accounting	Associate Professor
Chhanda Ghose	Special Education	Associate Professor
Vineeta Hingorani	Economics	Associate Professor
Ghanashyam Joshi	Mechanical Engineering	Associate Professor

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Diane Keithly	Sociology	Associate Professor
Grace Namwamba	Family and Consumer Sciences	Associate Professor
Reginald Rackley	Psychology	Associate Professor

**PROMOTIONS ONLY**

Andrea Poole	Biology	Assistant Professor
Janice Crosby	English	Associate Professor
Hamid Majlesein	Electrical Engineering	Associate Professor
Owusu Bandele	Plant and Soil Sciences	Professor
John W. Owens	Chemistry	Professor
David W. Porter	English	Professor

**TENURE ONLY**

Eugene Calvasina	Management and Marketing
Barbara L. Guillory	Speech Pathology
Perpetua Mugunda	Biology

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**• Candidates for Degrees, Spring 2000**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, that the candidates for degrees at the Spring 2000 Commencement Exercises on the Baton Rouge, New Orleans and Shreveport Campuses and at the Law Center be and they are hereby approved.

**• Honorary Degree, SUNO**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, that the request from the SUNO Administration to award the Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters Degree to Dr. Elton C. Harrison during the Spring 2000 Commencement Exercises be and it is hereby approved.

**• Resolutions of Commendation**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, that the resolutions of commendations to SUBR, SUSH and the Law Center for their efforts

**which led to a successful SACS reaccreditation review be and they are hereby approved.**

**Facilities and Grounds Committee**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Facilities and Grounds Committee, that the acquisition of rental space for the Basic Elderly Crisis Counseling Intervention (BECCI) Program at SUNO be and it is hereby approved.

**Finance Committee**

**• Spring 2000 Tuition Discounts**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, that Spring 2000 tuition discounts for SUBR and SUSH employees, their spouses or dependents be and they are hereby approved.

**• Resolution of Authorization for the La. Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry Grant, SUBR**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, that the resolution authorizing Dr. Mildred Smalley as the signee on a grant with the La. Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry be and it is hereby approved.

**• Food Service Contract, SUNO**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, that the food service contract between SUNO and Odessa's Catering Service for the period January 2, 2000, or the date of execution, through June 30, 2003, with an option to renew for two (2) additional one (1) year periods that may be exercised by the University, be and it is hereby approved.

**C. RESOLUTIONS**

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

- The Jasper "Bo" Calhoun, Sr. Family
- The Martha Stewman Family
- The Charles Loeb, Sr. Family
- The Edward Ladon Bilberry Family
- The Carlyle H. Chapman, Sr. Family
- The Barbara Thomas Ransom Family
- The Mack E. Williams Family
- The Richard "Dick" Family
- The Lazuranti Moudgil Family

**D. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATION, SUNO**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the personnel action form reflecting the appointment of Dr. Joseph Bouie as Chancellor, and Tenured Professor in the School of Social Work, at Southern University at New Orleans, effective April 1, 2000 at an annual salary of \$120,000 be and it is hereby approved.

**E. EMERGENCY DECLARATION FOR SUNO CAMPUS**

**RESOLVED** for the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the Administration's request to close SUNO for the period of April 22 - 26, 2000 for the purpose of replacing a main underground cable feeder, be and it is hereby approved.

**Addenda to the agenda**

On motion of Mr. P. Bell, seconded by Mr. Caiton, the agenda was amended to include Item 5f: Appointment Letter for SUNO Chancellor.

Motion carried unanimously.

**F: APPOINTMENT LETTER FOR SUNO CHANCELLOR**

On motion of Mr. P. Bell, seconded by Mr. Caiton,

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the letter of appointment for Dr. Joseph Bouie as Chancellor of the Southern University at New Orleans Campus, be and it is hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

The document provides for an annual salary of \$120,000; an annual housing allowance of \$20,000 and an effective date of the appointment is set for April 1, 2000. Other details are listed in the letter.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: REPORT FOR THE SYSTEM AND CAMPUSES**

Status reports on the System and Campus activities were presented by the President and the Chancellors. The reports were informational.

**AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. P. Bell recognized the Board's staff as part of Secretaries' Week; Mrs. Bell recognized Board members who celebrated birthdays during the month of April; and Mr. Caiton commended the Board on its selection of Dr. Joseph Bouie as the Chancellor of the SUNO Campus.

The Board's commendations were extended to Dr. Press Robinson for his service as Interim Chancellor of the SUNO Campus during the period of March 1 - 31, 2000.

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Mr. Joseph announced the establishment of the Rev. Adam Joseph Scholarship Award, which is being funded through a \$25,000 donation by Board Member Joseph and his brother, James Joseph, Former U.S. Ambassador to South Africa. The \$1,000 per academic year scholarship will be awarded to a student from St. Landry Parish who will attend Southern University.

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**AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

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Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors