

Southern University Board of Supervisors
Friday, March 23, 2001
Health and Physical Education Building
Southern University at Shreveport
3050 Martin L. King, Jr. Drive
Shreveport, Louisiana

MINUTES

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Atty. John F.K. Belton. The invocation was given by Mr. John F. K. Belton.

PRESENT

Atty. John F.K. Belton, Chairman
Ms. Lea M. Polk, Vice Chairman
Ms. Angela Alexander
Mr. Harrison Baptiste
Mrs. Dottie H. Bell
Mr. Richard J. Caiton, Jr.
Mr. Bertel Dejoie
Ms. S. Albert Gilliam
Mr. John W. Joseph
Mr. Louis Miller
Mr. Derek Russ
Mrs. Dorothy C. Scott

MEMBERS ABSENT

Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.
Atty. Tony M. Clayton
Mrs. Anne Z. Keifer
Mr. Myron K. Lawson

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Leon R. Tarver II
Vice Presidents Press Robinson, Ralph Slaughter and Tolor White
Chancellors B.K. Agnihotri, Joseph Bouie, Ray Belton, and Edward Jackson

Atty. Winston DeCuir

The Board recognized the contributions of former Board Member, Joe R. Gant, who served as a University trustee from 1994 to 2000 and as Chairman of the Board in 1997 and 1998. Awards of appreciation were presented to him

from the Board, System, Campuses, and the Law Center.

AGENDA ITEM 4: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mrs. Scott, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENTS:

ADD: ITEM 4F: REQUEST TO APPROVE AWARDING OF HONORARY DOCTORATE OF HUMANE LETTERS DEGREE, SUBR;

ITEM 4G: APPROVAL OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES
1) SUNO
2) SULC
3) SUBR

ITEM 9C: POINTS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE, 1) MR. RICHARD CAITON; AND 2) DR. SUDHIR TRIVEDI

ALTER: ITEM 8B: CHANGE TO AN ACTION ITEM

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AGENDA ITEM 6: MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 16, 2001 BOARD MEETING

On motion of Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Bell, the following resolutions were approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University

and A & M College System that the minutes of the January 5, 2001 Board meeting be, and they are hereby, approved.

AGENDA ITEM 7: COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

On motion of Ms. Polk, seconded by Mr. Baptiste, the following resolutions were approved .

Motion carried unanimously.

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A & M College System, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, that the Cooperative Agreement between Southern University at Shreveport and Northwestern Louisiana University at Natchitoches' Army ROTC Program for the establishment of an Army ROTC Program on the SUSLA campus be, and it is hereby, approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A & M College System, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, that the Dual Enrollment Agreement for High School Students between SUSLA and the Caddo Parish School Board be, and it is hereby, approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A & M College System, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, that authorization to confer the Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters degree upon Mr. Lloyd Price, musician and entertainer, and the Honorable Maxine Waters, U. S. Congresswoman from the State of California, at the Spring 2001 Commencement Exercises at Southern University at New Orleans be, and it is hereby, approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A & M College System, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, that the recommendation for promotion of Ms. Georgia Brown, Department of Biology, Southern University at Shreveport, from the rank of Assistant Professor to the rank of Associate Professor be, and it is hereby, approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A & M College System, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, that the request by the System President for authorization to submit a request for matching funds for nine (9) Endowed Professorships, each of which will be an endowed fund of \$60,000 that is to be matched by State of Louisiana funds from the Louisiana Educational Quality Support Fund for Endowed Professorships on a one to one-and-one half matching basis be, and it is hereby, approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED that when the matching funds are incorporated into the Endowed Fund, the income will be used solely for salaries or as a supplement to the salary of the holder of the professorship and for expenses directly related to the scholarly work of the holder of the Endowed Professorship.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the Southern University and A&M College System hereby authorize expressions of gratitude to be extended to the Louisiana Legislature for establishing the Endowed Professorship Program.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A & M College System, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, that authorization to confer the Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters degree upon Mr. Steve Harvey, comedian and entertainer, at the Spring 2001 Commencement Exercises at Southern University at Baton Rouge be, and it is hereby, approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A & M College System, upon the recommendation of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, that authorization to confer degrees upon the candidates for graduation during the Spring 2001 Commencement Exercises at Southern University at Baton Rouge, Southern University at New Orleans, and the Southern University Law Center be, and it is hereby, granted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A & M College System, upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, that the

request for approval of BA-7 No. 2 (Revised) to carry forward Desegregation Settlement Funding for FY 2000 - 2001 be, and it is hereby, approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A & M College System, upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, that the nine (9) Endowed Professorships requested to be submitted by the System to the Board of Regents be endowed funds of \$60,000 that are to be matched by State of Louisiana funds from the Louisiana Educational Quality Support Fund for Endowed Professorships on a one to one-and-one half matching basis be, and it is hereby, approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED that when the matching funds are incorporated into the Endowed Fund, the income will be used solely for salaries or as a supplement to the salary of the holder of the professorship and for expenses directly related to the scholarly work of the holder of the Endowed Professorship be, and it is hereby, approved.

ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A & M College System, upon the recommendation of the Athletics

Committee, that the request for approval of the revised 2001 Football Schedule for Southern University - Baton Rouge be, and it is hereby, approved.

PERSONNEL AFFAIRS AND POLICY COMMITTEE

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A & M College System, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that the request for authorization to appoint the employees currently serving as Interim Academic Chairpersons at Southern University at Shreveport to permanent status as Academic Chairpersons, without salary adjustments, be, and it is hereby, approved.

The Academic Chairpersons are:

**Dr. Barry Hester, Division of Science and Technology
Mr. Haywood Joiner, Division of Allied Health
Mrs. Rosalyn Holt, Division of Behavioral Science
Mr. George Lewis, III, Division of Business Studies
Mrs. Gwendolyn Lewis, Division of Humanities**

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A & M College System, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that the appointment of Mr. Thomas Lovince as Director of Information Technology at Southern University at New Orleans at a salary of \$68,000 for 12 months be, and it is hereby, approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and A & M College System, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee, that the appointment of Dr. Jacqueline Mims as Director of the Combating Violent Crimes Against Women on Campus Program at Southern University at Baton Rouge, at a salary of \$23,331 for 7 months be, and it is hereby, approved.

PRESIDENTIAL EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Mr. John Belton stated that the Board of Supervisors had evaluated the performance of the System President, Dr. Leon R. Tarver II, and that the evaluation was satisfactory.

AGENDA ITEM 8: REPORTS FROM THE SYSTEM, CAMPUSES AND LAW CENTER

The Board received informational reports from the System, Campuses and the Law Center. Details are on file in the Board's Office.

AGENDA ITEM 9A: RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION

On motion of Mr. Baptiste, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board extends commendations and best wishes to the Honorable Richard Caiton on the occasion of his induction into the African American Hall of Fame for Outstanding Educators for 2001 at Phoebe Hearst Elementary School on Friday, February 23, 2001.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 9B: RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE

On motion of Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Caiton, the Board approved resolutions of condolences to the families of persons listed below:

- Ms. Octavia Wharton Jackson
- Mrs. Lottie Lawson
- Mrs. Lydia Deborah Brown
- Mrs. Cynthia Doris Miles
- Mr. Alton Payton
- Mr. Granville Hayes
- Mr. Anthony J. Lyons
- Mr. Shelley Glen Stephens, Sr.
- Mrs. Louvenia Lee
- Mrs. Lillian Kerr
- Mrs. Carol Guillory

Motion carried unanimously.

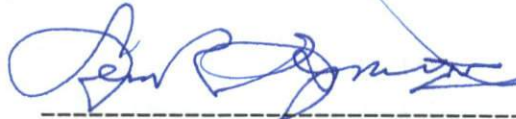
AGENDA ITEM 9C: POINTS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

The following persons were granted a point of personal privilege to make a statement to the Board. The contents of the statements are on tape in the Board's office.

1. **MR. RICHARD CAITON**
2. **DR. SUDHIR TRIVEDI**

AGENDA ITEM 10: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Joseph, seconded by Ms. Polk, the meeting was adjourned.



Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors



Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors