

Southern University Board of Supervisors  
1:00 p.m.  
Friday, February 23, 2007  
Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building  
Southern University - Baton Rouge

MINUTES

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Mr. Johnny G. Anderson. The invocation was given by Mr. John W. Joseph.

PRESENT

Mr. Johnny G. Anderson, Chairman  
Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Vice Chairman  
Dr. Angela J. Alexander  
Mr. Richard J. Caiton  
Atty. Tony M. Clayton  
Mr. S. Albert Gilliam  
Mr. Walter Guidry  
Mr. Christopher Jackson, Student Member  
Mr. John W. Joseph  
Ms. Anne Z. Kiefer  
Mr. Louis Miller  
Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.

ABSENT

Atty. Dale Atkins  
Rev. Jesse B. Bilberry, Jr.  
Mrs. Lea Polk Montgomery  
Mr. Achilles Williams

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

Dr. Ralph Slaughter, System President  
Vice President Tolor White  
Chancellors Ray Belton, Edward R. Jackson, Freddie Pitcher, Victor Ukpolo and  
Leodrey Williams

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BOARD COUNSEL

Atty. Winston DeCuir

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

On motion of Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Gilliam, the agenda was adopted, with a correction to Item 7B(1) to reflect the new title: MILLIE M. CHARLES ENDOWED

CHAIR IN SOCIAL WORK.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 5: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. John Delgado requested the Board to withhold its approval of Item 7D(2b) and to conduct a search for the Dean of the School of Architecture on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus.

Mr. William Arp, Vice President of the Southern University - Baton Rouge Faculty Senate, requested the Board to oppose 7D(2a) and (2b) which called for the waiver of the search process for the System Vice-President of Academic Affairs and the Dean of the School of Architecture on the SUBR Campus.

Dr. Joseph Bouie spoke in support of Item 7B(1): The Millie M. Charles Endowed Chair in Social Work; and Item 7E(4): establishment of a SU at New Orleans Technology Center.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT: FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA'S (FFA) MEAT IDENTIFICATION E-LEARNING TUTORIAL CD-ROM - SUAREC**

Chancellor Leodrey Williams and Mr. Lonnie Parker, Head of Poultry Plant, spotlighted the E-Learning Tutorial CD that was developed by the Ag Center in response to a need to prepare students in identifying meat cuts for the State, Area 4 FFA Competitions. By using multimedia technology to simulate actual slaughter cuts, the CD-Rom offers an interactive and efficient means of training students; and at the same time, eliminating the past procedure which entailed the seeing and experiencing of a live slaughter with all the sights and smells.

The CD-Rom was developed with funds provided through a USDA capacity grant proposal and is being recognized and used nationally as a model in the identification of meat cuts.

**AGENDA ITEM 7A: ACTION ITEMS**

A. Minutes of the January 5, 2007 Board of Supervisors' Meeting

On motion of Mr. Joseph, seconded Mr. Lawson,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the minutes of Board's regular meeting of January 5, 2007 be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

**B. Academic and Student Affairs Items**

**(1.) MILLIE M. CHARLES ENDOWED CHAIR IN SOCIAL WORK**

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

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the Board hereby authorize and support the establishment of the Millie M. Charles Endowed Chair in Social Work as an endowed fund of \$400,000 that is to be matched by the State of Louisiana funds from the Louisiana Education Quality Support Fund for Endowed Chairs on a one-to-one and one-half matching basis. When the matching funds are incorporated into the Endowed Fund, the income will be used solely for the salary or a supplement to the salary for the holder of the Chair and for other expenses directly related to the scholarly work of the holder of the Endowed Chair.

FURTHER RESOLVED that this fund be established with \$400,000 on deposit with the Liberty Bank and Trust Company in New Orleans, Louisiana, and dedicated to the purpose specified above.

Motion carried unanimously.

**(2.) APPOINTMENT OF ENDOWED PROFESSORS, SUBR**

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

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the Endowed Professorship appointment of the faculty members listed below be and they are hereby approved:

**College of Business**

- Dr. Eugene Calsasina - Business and Industry Cluster Endowed Professorship
- Dr. Savior Nwachukwu - Ben D. Johnson, Sr. Endowed Professorship
- Dr. Andrew Muhammad - W.E. "Bill" Tucker Endowed Professorship

**College of Engineering**

· Dr. Patrick Mensah-Formosa Plastics Endowed Professorship

Motion carried unanimously.

(3.) REVISED ACADEMIC CALENDAR, SUBR

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Atty. Clayton,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the revised Academic Calendar for Southern University - Baton Rouge be and it is hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

(4.) ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DOLORES R. SPIKES ENDOWED  
PROFESSORSHIP IN BUSINESS  
ENTREPRENEURSHIP, SUNO

On a motion offered, seconded and unanimously approved by the Board.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the establishment of the Dolores R. Spikes Endowed Professorship in Business Entrepreneurship on the Southern University at New Orleans Campus be and it is hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

Drs. Charles and Spikes offered expressions of appreciation to the Board for the honors bestowed upon them respectively. Members of the Board acknowledged the contributions rendered to the University by these individuals.

C. Finance and Audit Committee Items

On motion of Atty. Clayton, seconded by Mr. Caiton, the following resolutions were approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

(1.) **Student Facilities Extension Fee, SUBR**

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the Administration be and it is hereby authorized to use the five dollar (\$5.00) Student Facilities Extension Fee to support the operations of the Smith-Brown Memorial Student Union on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus until the end of the current fiscal year.

(2.) **Student Health Center, SUBR**

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the Administration's request to use prior year funds in the amount of \$133,000 to support the operations of the Health Center on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus be and it is hereby approved.

(3.) **Student Union Budget, SUBR**

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the Administration's request to use prior year funds in the amount of \$125,000 to support the current operating budget of the Smith-Brown Memorial Student Union on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus be and it is hereby approved.

(4.) **Housing Budget, SUBR**

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the Administration's request to use prior year surplus funds in the amount of \$775,000 to offset the shortfall in the Southern University - Baton Rouge Housing Department's operating budget be and it is hereby approved.

D. Personnel Affairs and Policy Committee

(1.) Appointments

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Caiton, the following resolutions were approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the appointment of Ms. Kathy G. Woods as Director of Financial Aid on an interim basis on the Southern University at New Orleans Campus, effective retroactive to November 17, 2006 at an annual salary of \$54,000 be and it is hereby approved.

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the appointment of Ms. Shatiqua M. Wilson as Director of the Library on the Southern University at New Orleans Campus, effective March 9, 2007 at an annual salary of \$70,000 be and it is hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

- (2.) Request to waive search process and approve appointments
  - (a.) System Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs (Executive Session)
  - (b.) Dean, School of Architecture, SUBR

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Caiton, the Board convened into an executive session to discuss the Administration's recommendation to fill the position of System Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 12 yeas - Anderson, Alexander, Lawson, Caiton, Clayton, Gilliam, Guidry, Jackson, Miller, Nash, Joseph, Kiefer; 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

- EXECUTIVE SESSION -

- OPEN SESSION -

On motion of Mr. Nash, seconded by Mr. Miller, the Board returned to open session.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 12 yeas - Anderson, Alexander, Lawson, Caiton, Clayton, Gilliam, Guidry, Jackson, Miller, Nash, Joseph, Kiefer; 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

A motion was offered by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Gilliam, for the Board's approval of the following resolution.

- (2A) RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the Administration's request to waive the search process and approve the appointment of Dr. Kassie Freeman as System Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs and Tenured Professor of Education, effective July 1, 2007 at an annual salary of \$155,000, be and it is hereby approved.

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- (2B) RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the Administration's request to waive the search process and to approve the appointment of Mr. Lonnie Wilkerson as Dean of Architecture of Southern University - Baton Rouge, effective March 1, 2007 at an annual salary of \$96,000, be and it is hereby approved.

A substitute motion was offered by Atty. Clayton to defer action on the requests for waiver of the search process and approval of the appointment of (A) System Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs and (B) Dean of Architecture at Southern University - Baton Rouge, pursuant to public comments made by University Faculty members under Item 5.

The substitute motion died for lack of a second.

The vote on the original motion carried. Atty. Clayton voted nay on Item 2B.

**AGENDA ITEM 7D-3: SABBATICAL LEAVE**

**7D-4: PRESIDENTIAL EVALUATION FORM, SU  
SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Guidry, seconded by Atty. Clayton, the following resolutions were approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System, that the Administration's request to grant sabbatical leave to Dr. Irma Farfan-Cobb, Associate Professor of Foreign Languages on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus, effective August - December 2007, be and it is hereby approved.

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RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College System that the Southern University System Presidential Evaluation Form, be and it hereby approved.

**AGENDA ITEM 7E: FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE ITEMS**

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the following resolutions were approved.

Motion carried unanimously.