#### SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Friday, April 24, 2009
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, Atty. Tony M. Clayton. Prayer was offered by Atty. Patrick Jefferson.

#### **PRESENT**

Atty. Tony M. Clayton - Chairman

Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery - Vice Chairman

Atty. Murphy F. Bell

Mr. Patrick W. Bell

Atty. Walter C. Dumas

Atty. Warren A. Forstall

Atty. Randal L. Gaines

Mr. Walter Guidry

Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson

Mr. Myron K. Lawson

Atty. Patrick D. Magee

Mr. Darren G. Mire

Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.

Mr. Jamal A. Taylor

Mr. Achilles Williams

#### **ABSENT**

Mr. Richard J. Caiton

# UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ralph Slaughter

Vice Presidents Kassie Freeman, Napoleon Moses, and Tolor E. White Chancellors Ray Belton (SUSLA), Kofi Lomotey (SUBR), Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), Leodrey Williams (SUAREC) and Chancellor Freddie Pitcher (SULC)

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Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr. - Board Counsel

#### AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Taylor, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### AGENDA ITEM 3A: PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Sudhir Trivedi, President of the Faculty Senate at Southern University commented on Agenda Items 4A and 4B.

# AGENDA ITEM 4A: UPDATE AND DISCUSSION REGARDING THE FOLLOWING LEGAL ACTIONS (EXECUTIVE SESSION)

- 1. Dr. Ralph Slaughter versus Southern University Supervisors Board (number C577011, Section "24," 19<sup>th</sup> JDC, East Baton Rouge Parish, State of Louisiana) Petition for Injunction and Judgement Rendering the vote taken March 27, 2009 void.
- 2. Dr. Ralph Slaughter versus Board of Supervisors and Agricultural and Mechanical College (19<sup>th</sup> JDC, East Baton Rouge Parish, State of Louisiana, Docket No. 577092, Section "D."
- 3. Dr. Ralph Slaughter versus Dale Atkins, Johnny Anderson, Tony Clayton and Lea Polk Montgomery, U.S. District Court Middle District of Louisiana, Civil Action No. 09-190-FJP-C14.

On motion of Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Nash, the Board convened into an executive session to discuss Agenda Item 4A: 1, 2 and 3, as listed above.

Motion carried. Roll call vote: 14 yeas: Clayton, Montgomery, M. Bell, P. Bell, Dumas,
Forstall, Gaines, Guidry, Jefferson, Lawson,
Magee, Mire, Nash and Williams 0 nays; 1
abstention: Taylor

#### -RECONVENTION-

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Atty. Gaines, the Board reconvened into open session.

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

AGENDA ITEM 4B: ANY ACTION THAT MAY BE REQUIRED REGARDING LITIGATION 1, 2, AND 3.

No action was taken.

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

A. Minutes of the March 27, 2009 regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors

On motion of Atty. Jefferson, seconded by Mr. Williams,

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System that minutes of the March 27, 2009 meeting of the Board be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Committee Reports and Recommendations

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Atty. Forstall,

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System that the following Committee reports and recommendations be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### 1. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A. Certification of Graduates

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System,

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upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the degrees to be conferred upon the candidates for graduation at the Commencement Exercises at Southern University and A&M College, as recommended by President Ralph Slaughter and Chancellor Kofi Lomotey, upon the approval of the Campus Faculty, Council of Academic Deans and appropriate staff, be and they are hereby approved.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the degrees to be conferred upon the candidates for graduation at the Commencement Exercises at Southern University at New Orleans, as recommended by President Ralph Slaughter and Chancellor Victor Ukpolo, upon approval and recommendations of the Faculty, Council of Academic Deans, and appropriate administrative staff, be and they are hereby approved.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the degrees to be conferred upon the candidates for graduation at the Commencement Exercises at the Southern University Law Center, as recommended by President Ralph Slaughter and Chancellor Freddie Pitcher, upon the approval of the Faculty and appropriate administrative staff, be and they are hereby approved.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the degrees to be conferred upon the Candidates for Graduation at the Commencement Exercises at Southern University at Shreveport, as recommended by President Ralph Slaughter and Chancellor Ray Belton, upon the approval and recommendations of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Dean, the Faculty, and the appropriate administrative staff be and they are hereby approved.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that there be the change in name of the College of Education at Southern University - New Orleans to the College of Education and Human Development, and that the organizational structure which establishes the Department of Child Development and Family Studies to be equivalent to the Department of Early Childhood Education and the Department of Elementary Education, be and they are hereby approved.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, that the 2007-2012 Strategic Plan for the Southern University System be and it is hereby approved.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, upon the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee, the Southern University - Baton Rouge Administration's request to establish a Ph.D. Program in Materials Science and Engineering be and it is hereby approved.

The proposal will be submitted to the Louisiana State Board of Regents as a part of a collaborative effort with LSU and UNO.

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Informational reports given to the Committee –

- -Five year Strategic Plans, by campus
- -Accreditation update from Southern University at New Orleans

#### 2. ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, upon the recommendation of the Athletics Committee, that the Committee's report be and it is hereby received.

Informational reports given to the Committee –

- Report on the 2008-2009 Athletic s Budget for Southern University Baton Rouge
- -Section 9W Football Ticket Sales (A.W. Mumford Stadium)

#### 3. FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, upon the recommendation of the Facilities and Property Committee, that the Committee's report be and it is hereby approved.

Informational reports tendered to the Committee –

- -Update on the A.W. Mumford Stadium Project
- -Funding for SUBR Baseball Team's dressing facilities
- -Student Parking on RV Parking Lot

# 4. FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee that action be and it is hereby deferred on the proposed food service contract between the Board of Supervisors, on behalf of Southern University - Baton Rouge and Aramark Food Service until the following concerns have been addressed:

-The rationale is to be submitted to the Finance and Audit Committee for not recommending the food service vendor approved by the SUBR Campus Committee.

-An assessment survey should be conducted on student satisfaction with the proposed food service vendor which is the current vendor.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that the contract between Southern University and A&M College (SUBR) and Xerox Corporation for lease of space for Copier and Mail Center Operations for the Southern University Baton Rouge Campus, effective June 1, 2009 and continuing through May 31, 2014, be and it is hereby approved.

Mr. Patrick Bell abstained from voting on this item.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that the request from the Southern University - Baton Rouge administration to use prior year funds in the amount of \$296,034 to replace the roof on Dunn Hall Cafeteria on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus, be and it is hereby approved.

The funds will be taken from the Food Service budget account.

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On motion of Mr. Nash, seconded by Atty. Forstall, the following resolution was approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors that the 2008-2009 Auxiliary Budget for the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus reflecting the amount of \$222,000 for the operations of the Smith-Brown Memorial Student Union, be and it is hereby approved.

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Motion carried unanimously.

The administration shall conduct a review of current student fees to determine those which can be allocated for continuing operation of the Smith-Brown Memorial Student Union.

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**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, that the repayment agreement between Southern University at Shreveport and the U.S. Department of Education, be and it is hereby approved, subject to the approval of the Board's Legal Counsel.

# 5. LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System that the Chancellor of the Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center or his designee, be and they are hereby authorized to negotiate a contract for the purchase of an identified building and adjoining property (Old Sylvan Learning Center) located in the City of Opelousas for the Southwest Center for Rural Initiatives.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that after successful negotiations, the Chancellor shall present the contract for review by the Board's Legal Counsel and for the approval of the System President and Board of Supervisors.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that alternatively, should the purchase of the identified building and property not materialize, the Chancellor of the Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Service is hereby authorized to negotiate with the Old Evangeline Downs, LLC for the donation of suitable property on which to locate the Southwest Center for Rural Initiatives.

# 6. LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors, upon the recommendation of the Legislative Committee, that the Committee's report, be and it is hereby accepted.

Informational report submitted to the Committee --

- Update on the SU System and Campuses' Legislative Priorities.

Committee Chairman Bell announced that the Legislative Committee would be convened at a future date in order to provide an opportunity for all Board Members to receive information needed to ensure their compliance with the State's new ethics law.

#### 7. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Committee did not meet.

#### 8. STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, upon the recommendation of the recommendation of the Student Affairs Committee, that the Committee's report, be and it is hereby received.

Informational reports submitted, by campus, to the Committee-

- A. Student Retention
- B. 2009 Fall Registration
- C. Employee Office Hours

AGENDA ITEM 5C: RESOLUTIONS

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Mire,

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System that commendations be and they are hereby extended to persons named below:

**Reverend Jesse D. Scott**, on the naming and dedication of the "Jesse D. Scott Elementary School," which was held on April 14 in Las Vegas, Nevada in recognition of Rev. Scott's lifetime achievement as a community leader and activist in the area of Civil Rights, as Radio Broadcaster, and Minister of the Gospel.

**Dr. Ollie Christian**, on being elected as the first black female and the first alumnus from an HBCU (SUBR) to lead the Mid-South Sociological Association.

Louisiana State Representative Avon Honey, on being named "Representative of the Year" by the Louisiana Orthopedic Association.

Mr. Martin Johnson, SUBR alum, on being elected as the City President of Regions Bank in Alexandria, LA.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that condolences from the Board of Supervisors be and they are hereby extended to the families of the deceased listed below:

- -The Leroy "Pete" Davis Family
- -The Alice Jefferson Montgomery Family
- -The Oscar Mitchell Family
- -The Louis Edward Roquemore Family
- -The David Wilbert Hall Family
- -The Fitzgerald Phillips Family
- -The Keith Martin Marchand Family

#### AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

- A. System and Campus Reports as informational items
- B. Video Presentations on IBM
- C. SACS Related Policies

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Draft policies required by SACS relating to the governing board were distributed for the Board's information and review for adoption at a future meeting.

# AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

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

Secretary, SU Board of Supervisors

Chairman, SU Board of Supervisors

# ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE 9:00 A.M.

Friday, April 24, 2009
Board of Supervisors Meeting Room
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J. S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University-Baton Rouge

#### MINUTES

The Academic Affairs Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chairman, Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson. The invocation was given by Atty. Jefferson.

#### PRESENT:

Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson, Chairman Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Vice Chairman Mr. Walter Guidry Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery Mr. Jamal A. Taylor Mr. Achilles Williams Atty. Tony M. Clayton, Ex-Officio

#### **ABSENT:**

Atty. Walter C. Dumas

# UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL IN ATTENDANCE:

System President Ralph Slaughter Vice Presidents Kassie Freeman, Napoleon Moses, and Tolor E. White Chancellors Ray Belton, Kofi Lomotey, Freddie Pitcher, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey Williams

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Atty. Winston Decuir, Sr., Board Counsel

# **AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

On motion of Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Williams, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

# **AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS**

# A. Certification of Graduates

#### 1. SUBR

On motion of Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mrs. Montgomery, the Committee approved and so recommends to the Board, the degrees to be conferred upon the candidates for graduation at the Commencement Exercises at Southern University and A & M College, as submitted by President Ralph Slaughter and Chancellor Kofi Lomotey, upon the approval of the Campus Faculty, Council of Academic Deans, and appropriate staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### 2. SUNO

On motion of Mr. Guidry, seconded by Mrs. Montgomery, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the degrees to be conferred upon the candidates for graduation at the Commencement Exercises at Southern University at New Orleans, as submitted by President Ralph Slaughter and Chancellor Victor Ukpolo, upon approval and recommendation of the Faculty, Council of Academic Deans, and appropriate administrative staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### 3. SULC

On motion of Mrs. Montgomery, seconded by Mr. Williams, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the degrees to be conferred upon the candidates for graduation at the Commencement Exercises at the Southern University Law Center, as submitted by President Ralph Slaughter and Chancellor Freddie Pitcher, upon the approval of the Faculty and appropriate administrative staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### 4. SUSLA

On motion of Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Williams, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the degrees to be conferred upon the candidates for graduation at the Commencement Exercises at Southern University at Shreveport, as submitted by President Ralph Slaughter and Chancellor Ray Belton, upon the approval and recommendation of the Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, the Deans, the Faculty, and the appropriate administrative staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Proposed Change in Name and Organizational Structure for the College of Education, SUBR

On motion of Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Guidry, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the change in name of the College of Education to the *College of Education and Human Development*, and the Organizational Structure which establishes the Department of Child Development and Family Studies to be equivalent to the Department of Early Childhood Education and the Department of Elementary Education.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. 2007-2011 Strategic Plan, SU System

On motion of Mr. Guidry, seconded by Mr. Taylor, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the 2007-2011 Strategic Plan for the Southern University System.

Motion carried unanimously.

D. Ph.D. Program in Materials Science and Engineering, SUBR

On motion of Mr. Guidry, seconded by Mr. Taylor, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the Southern University-Baton Rouge Administration's request to establish a Ph.D. Program in Materials Science and Engineering.

Motion carried unanimously.

The proposal will be submitted to the Board of Regents as a part of a collaborative effort with LSU and UNO.

# **AGENDA ITEM 6: Informational Items**

A. Five-Year Strategic Plans

The Committee received an overview of the Five-Year Strategic Plans submitted by the Campus Heads.

B. Accreditation Update, SUNO

Chancellor Ukpolo tendered an update on Southern University at New Orleans' efforts in preparing for University accreditation as well as accreditation of several of its programs by the following agencie:.

- ---Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) Institutional
- ---Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB-International) College of Business and Public Administration

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- ---Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) Social Work Program
- ---American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS) B.S. in Childhood Development and Consumer Sciences

Chancellor Ukpolo announced also that Southern University at New Orleans has been officially notified of its accreditation by National Council of Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE).

# **AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS**

Atty. Jefferson was recognized by Vice President Freeman for his participation as the keynote speaker for the SU System's  $2^{nd}$  Annual Faculty and Staff Recognition Dinner.

Vice President Freeman also noted and offered commendation to Board Members Jefferson and Guidry for the valuable attendance and participation at Committee meetings of the State Board of Regents.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Mr. Guidry, seconded by Mr. Williams, the meeting was adjourned.

Ralph Slaughter, Secretary
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Southern University System
Tony M. Clayton, Chairman
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Southern University System

# ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

Friday, April 24, 2009

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

#### MINUTES

The meeting of the Athletics Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chair, Atty. Walter C. Dumas.

# **PRESENT:**

Mr. Achilles Williams, Chair

Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr., Vice Chair

Mr. Patrick W. Bell

Mr. Darren G. Mire

Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery

Atty. Tony M. Clayton, Ex-Officio

# **ABSENT:**

Mr. Richard J. Caiton

#### **UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING:**

System President Ralph Slaughter System Vice Presidents Kassie Freeman, Napoleon Moses and Tolor E. White Chancellors Ray Belton, Kofi Lomotey, Freddie Pitcher, Victor Ukpolo and Leodrey Williams \*\*\*

#### **BOARD COUNSEL:**

Winston Decuir, Sr.

# **AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

On motion of Mr. Nash, seconded by Mr. Mire, the agenda was adopted as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

SUBR student, Jerry Jones spoke in opposition to *Agenda Item 5B: Section 9W Football Ticket Sales (A.W. Mumford Stadium)*.

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# **AGENDA ITEM 5: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

A. Report on the 2008-2009 Athletic Budget for SUBR

Chancellor Lomotey reported that the 2008-2009 Athletic Budget for SUBR was submitted for approval as a part of the University's operating budget.

Mr. Taylor voiced concern that the procedure which provides for submission of the Athletics Budgets for Board approval via the Athletics Committee was not followed.

B. Section 9W Football Ticket Sales (A. W. Mumford Stadium)

Mr. Taylor registered his objection to the sale of Section 9W football tickets and the relocation of students to another section of the stadium. He advised the committee that students are assessed a fee for athletics and are entitled to seats that were previously allocated in Section 9W.

Athletics Director Gregory LaFleur responded that the sale of these prime tickets would generate greatly needed additional revenues for the Athletics Department. He also advised that 7000 seats were available in that section, but only 2000 were being sold. A study by the Athletics Department revealed that less than 2000 students use seats in that Section.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Mire, the meeting was adjourned.

Ralph Slaughter, Secretary
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Southern University System
Tony M. Clayton, Chairman
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Southern University System
Southern University System

#### FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Friday, April 24, 2009
Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University - Baton Rouge

#### **MINUTES**

The meeting of the Facilities and Property Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by Chair, Mr. Walter Guidry.

#### **PRESENT**

Mr. Walter Guidry, Chair

Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr. - Vice Chair

Mr. Patrick W. Bell

Atty. Walter C. Dumas

Atty. Warren A. Forstall

Mr. Myron K. Lawson

Atty. Tony M. Clayton, Ex-Officio

#### **ABSENT**

Mr. Richard J. Caiton

#### UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ralph Slaughter
Vice Presidents Kassie Freeman, Napoleon Moses, and Tolor E. White
Chancellors Ray Belton (SUSLA), Kofi Lomotey (SUBR), Victor Ukpolo (SUNO),
Leodrey Williams (SUAREC) and Chancellor Freddie Pitcher (SULC)

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Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr. - Board Counsel

#### AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Atty. Forstall, seconded by Mr. Bell, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

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#### AMENDMENT:

Delete Item 5A: Facilities Master Plan, SUBR

#### **AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

NONE.

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

A. Facilities Master Plan, SUBR - Deleted.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

A. Update on the A.W. Mumford Stadium Project

Atty. Upshaw provided the update on the AW Mumford Stadium renovation. Highlights follow—

- The project which is expected to be completed by July 2009 includes the addition of the North Endzone (five suites and 2500 seats); renovation to the east and west sides of the stadium to provide new concession areas, new restroom facilities and new seats for seasonbook holders.
- A part of the North Endzone Suite area will be used as a faculty and staff lounge.
- As a part of SUBR's recruitment effort, Baton Rouge Community College students will be admitted, effective Fally 2009, to home games with their current ID cards.

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#### **AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS**

In response to Mr. Mire's inquiry, the administration reported that approximately 1.2 million in funding is being provided by the City of Baton Rouge for dressing rooms to accommodate members of the SUBR Baseball Team.

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Responding to Mr. Taylor's concerns, Mr. Guidry advised that students are not permitted to park in the RV Parking Lot on the Baton Rouge Campus in order to prevent damages to the special electrical outlets. Prior to the construction of the RV Lot, the area was primarily green space and no parking was available to students.

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The Law Center's renovation is 90-95% completed.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT**

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

Secretary, S.U	J. Board of Supervisors	
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#### FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

Friday, April 24, 2009
Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University - Baton Rouge

#### **MINUTES**

The meeting of the Finance and Audit Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by Chair, Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery.

#### **PRESENT**

Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery, Chair, Chair

Atty. Walter C. Dumas, Vice Chair

Atty. Warren A. Forstall

Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson, Jr.

Mr. Myron K. Lawson

Mr. Darren G. Mire.

Atty. Tony M. Clayton, Ex-Officio

#### **ABSENT**

Mr. Richard J. Caiton

#### UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ralph Slaughter

Vice Presidents Kassie Freeman, Napoleon Moses, and Tolor E. White Chancellors Ray Belton (SUSLA), Kofi Lomotey (SUBR), Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), Leodrey Williams (SUAREC) and Chancellor Freddie Pitcher (SULC)

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Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr. - Board Counsel

#### AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Mire, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

Amendment: Item 5 D. Use of Student Facilities Extension Fees and FY 2008-2009 Auxiliary Budgets, SUBR

#### **AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

SUBR Student, Mr. Jerry Jones, spoke in opposition to Agenda Item 5A: Proposed Food Service Contract for SUBR.

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

# A. Proposed Food Service Contract, SUBR

On motion of Atty. Dumas, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the Committee recommends to the Board, to deferred action on the proposed food service contract between the Board of Supervisors on behalf of the Southern University at Baton Rouge and Aramark Food Service, until the following concerns have been addressed.

Motion carried unanimously.

- Rationale for not recommending the food service vendor approved by the campus committee .
- Assessment survey of student satisfaction with the proposed food service vendor.

#### B. Proposed Mail Center and Copier Operations Contract, SUBR

On motion of Atty. Forstall seconded by Mr. Mire, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the Contract between Southern University A&M College (SUBR) and Xerox Corporation for lease of space for a copier operations and mail center on the Southern University - Baton Rouge, effective retroactive to April 1, 2009 and continuing through March 31, 2014.

Motion carried. Roll call vote: 5 yeas: Montgomery, Forstall, Jefferson, Mire, and Clayton; 0 nays; 1 abstention: Dumas; 1 out: Lawson

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# C. Use of Prior year funds for Dunn Hall roof replacements, SUBR

On motion of Atty. Dumas, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the SUBR Administration's request to use \$296, 034 in prior year funds to replace the roof of Dunn Hall Cafeteria on the Southern University - Baton Rouge campus. The funds will be taken from the Food Service budget account.

D. Use of Student Facilities Extension Fees and FY 2008-2009 Auxiliary Budgets, SUBR

On motion of Atty. Dumas, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the SUBR Administration's request to use the Student Facilities Extension Fees in the amount of \$222,000 for the operation of the Smith-Brown Memorial Student Union; and the 2008-2009 System Revenue Fund Budget for the SUBR Campus.

Motion carried unanimously.

E. Promissory Note between SUSLA and the U.S. Department of Education

On motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the repayment agreement between Southern University at Shreveport and the United States. Department of Education, subject to the approval of Board Counsel.

Motion carried unanimously.

# AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATION ITEMS

# A. Status report on FY 2009-10 Budgets

President Slaughter gave a briefing on Southern University's appearance before the House Committee on Appropriations to present the amount of budget cuts and their impact on each of the System's entities.

# B. Update on Board of Regents Funding Formula

President Slaughter announced the efforts of the Board of Regents, at the directive of the Jindal Administration, to implement the new formula funding to higher education for FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MINUTES, APRIL 24, 2009
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2009-2020 based on institutional performance.

AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee requested the administration to provide to the Committee the economic statement, prepared by each Campus, at the very earliest possible time and to update these statements annually.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Mr. Mire, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors

# LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Friday, April 24, 2009

# Board of Supervisors Meeting Room 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J. S. Clark Administration Building Southern University-Baton Rouge

#### MINUTES

The meeting of the Legal Affairs Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chair, Atty. Patrick D. Magee.

# PRESENT:

Atty. Patrick D. Magee, Chair

Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr., Vice Chair

Atty. Walter C. Dumas

Atty. Warren A. Forstall

Atty. Randal L. Gaines

Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson

Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery

Atty. Tony M. Clayton, Ex-Officio

# **ABSENT:**

None

#### **UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING:**

System President Ralph Slaughter System Vice Presidents Kassie Freeman, Napoleon Moses and Tolor E. White Chancellors Ray Belton, Kofi Lomotey, Freddie Pitcher, Victor Ukpolo, and Leodrey Williams

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Atty. Winston Decuir, Sr.-Board Counsel

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#### AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Atty. Murphy Bell, seconded by Atty. Forstall, the agenda was adopted, as printed.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

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#### **AGENDA ITEM 5: INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

A. Legal Status of Land Donation, SUAREC

Chancellor Williams reported on the legal impediments to the S.U. Agricultural Research Center's (SUAREC) acceptance of property in St. Landry Parish that was to be donated by the Old Evangeline Downs, LLC for the location of the Southwest Center for Rural Initiatives. Although another location has been identified as a viable alternative, a bid for this property has been made by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The Ag Center must now wait until Friday, May 15 to ascertain the availability of this site. In the event the Ag Center cannot purchase the alternative site, then, Evangeline Downs is prepared to donate another piece of property.

The Committee suggested that the Old Evangeline Downs, LLC be given official notice that SUAREC is unable to accept its previously identified property for the Southwest Center for Rural Initiatives.

The Administration requested the Board's authorization to proceed with negotiations to secure a site for the Southwest Center for Rural Initiatives.

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On motion of Atty. Bell, seconded by Atty. Forstall, the agenda was amended to include the following item:

Motion carried unanimously.

*Item 6A:* Action to acquire property for the Southwest Center for Rural Initiatives

### **AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS**

A. Action to acquire property for the Southwest Center for Rural Initiatives

On motion of Atty. Jefferson, seconded by Atty. Forstall, the Committee approved, and so recommends to the Board, the following resolution.

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Chancellor of the Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center or his designee to negotiate a contract for the purchase of the identified building and adjoining property (Old Sylvan Learning Center) located in the City of Opelousas for the Southwest Center for Rural Initiatives.

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**FURTHER RESOLVED** that after successful negotiations, the Chancellor shall present the contract for review by the Board's legal counsel and for the approval of the System President and Board of Supervisors.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that alternatively, should the purchase of the identified building and property not materialize, the Chancellor of the Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center is authorized to negotiate with the Old Evangeline Downs, LLC for the donation of suitable property on which to locate the Southwest Center for Rural Initiatives.

# **AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT**

Southern University System

On motion of Atty. Gaines, seconded by Mrs. Montgomery, the meeting was adjourned.

Ralph Slaughter, Secretary Tony M. Clayton, Chairman BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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# PERSONNEL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE Friday, April 24, 2009 Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J. S. Clark Administration Building Southern University-Baton Rouge

# MINUTES

The Personnel Affairs Committee had one item for consideration and discussion: a report by each campus regarding employee office hours. This item was transferred at the request of Atty. Dumas, the Committee's Chair to the agenda of the Student Affairs Committee.

#### STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Friday, April 24, 2009
Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University - Baton Rouge

#### **MINUTES**

The meeting of the Student Affairs Committee of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by Chair, Mr. Jamal A. Taylor.

#### **PRESENT**

Mr. Jamal A. Taylor, Chair Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Vice Chair Atty. Murphy W. Bell, Jr. Mr. Patrick W. Bell Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr. Atty. Tony M. Clayton, Ex-Officio

#### **ABSENT**

Mr. Richard J. Caiton

#### UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ralph Slaughter
Vice Presidents Kassie Freeman, Napoleon Moses, and Tolor E. White
Chancellors Ray Belton (SUSLA), Kofi Lomotey (SUBR), Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), Leodrey
Williams (SUAREC) and Chancellor Freddie Pitcher (SULC)

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Atty. Winston DeCuir, Sr. - Board Counsel

#### AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Nash, the agenda was adopted, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

# ADD ITEM 5: Employee Office Hours, By Campus

# **AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

# **AGENDA ITEM 5: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

A. Student Retention, by Campus

The Committee acknowledged receipt of the written Student Retention reports submitted by each campus.

B. 2009 Fall Registration, by Campus

The Committee acknowledged receipt of the 2009 Registration report as provided by the Campuses.

C. Employee Office Hours

Mr. Taylor requested the Campuses to ensure employees' strict compliance with established University office hours. Atty. Magee expressed the need for the Campuses to ensure that telephone courtesy is the standard practice of each employee.

### **AGENDA ITEM 7: OTHER BUSINESS**

None

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# **AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Mr. Bell	, seconded by Atty. Bell, the meeting was adjour
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