

**Southern University and A&M College System**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING**

Strand 12 Meeting Room

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Hyatt Regency

601 Loyola Avenue

New Orleans, Louisiana

**9 a.m.**

**Friday, November 24, 2017**

**Minutes**

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was called to order by Board Chair Mrs. Ann A. Smith. The invocation was given by Reverend Keith J. Sanders pastor of the Union Bethel St. Paul AME Church in New Orleans, LA.

**PRESENT**

Mrs. Ann A. Smith, Mr. John Barthelemy, Atty. Tony Clayton, Dr. Leroy Davis, Mr. Armond Duncan, Mr. Raymond Fondel, Dr. Curman Gaines, Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr., Rev. Donald R. Henry, Mr. Richard Hilliard, Atty. Patrick Magee, Atty. Domoine Rutledge, Mr. Michael Small, Rev. Samuel Tolbert, Dr. Leon R. Tarver II and Dr. Rani Whitfield.

**UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING**

System President Ray Belton, Chief of Staff Robyn Merrick, Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Luria Young, Vice President for Finance and Business Affairs Flandus McClinton, Chancellors Dr. Lisa Mims Devezin (SUNO), Dr. Bobby Phills (SUAREC), Dr. Rodney Ellis (SUSLA), and Atty. John Pierre (SULC).

**BOARD COUNSEL**

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Jr., and Tracie Woods

## **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Strand 12 Meeting Room  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Hyatt Regency  
601 Loyola Avenue  
New Orleans, Louisiana

### **Minutes**

Board Chair Mrs. Ann A. Smith announced the convening of the Academic Affairs Committee.

Academic Affairs Committee Chair Dr. Curman Gaines called the committee meeting to order.

**Present:** Dr. Curman Gaines, Dr. Leon R. Tarver II, Dr. Leroy Davis, Atty. Tony M. Clayton, Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr., Mr. Armond Duncan and Mrs. Ann A. Smith

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

Upon the motion by Rev. Joe R. Gant and seconded by Dr. Leroy Davis the agenda was recommended for adoption.

Motion passed

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

None

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

**A. Request Approval of Certification of Candidates for Graduation, Fall 2017, SUBR**

**B. Request Approval to Award Posthumous Degree for Ms. Cynthia L. Howard, SUBR**

**C. Request Approval to Award Posthumous Degree for Dr. Debra Fountain, SUBR**

**D. Request Approval of State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement, SUBR**

Upon the motion by Atty. Tony Clayton and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rev. Gant, Items A through D were recommended for approval in globo.

Motion Passed

Committee Chair Dr. Curman Gaines asked Dr. Luria Young to discuss agenda items A, B, and C.

Dr. Young announced the candidates for graduation stated that both recipients passed away unexpectedly and were integral to their respective departments. Dean Cynthia Bryant and faculty in the College of Interdisciplinary Studies made the recommendation to bestow the honor on Ms. Cynthia Howard and Dean Damien Ejigiri and faculty members in the Department of Public Administration/Public Policy made the recommendation to bestow the honor on Dr. Debra Fountain.

#### **E. Request Approval of Proposed Reorganization, SUS/SUBR**

Dr. Belton explained that the structure presented reflects the input of Board members and external stakeholders and explained the core features of the proposal. He outlined the major changes. The framework establishes a who will provide Executive Vice President and Executive Vice Provost. The proposal also decentralizes the Division of Student Affairs establishing a Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management that will have a singular focus on the enrollment process. It also establishes the Freshman Academy which will assist with retention and graduation of students by providing the support services that students need. It also establishes a Vice President for Policy and Institutional Effectiveness that will be responsible for developing strategic plans for the entirety of the system and provide benchmarks for members of the Board on a quarterly basis or biannually of assess how the University System is accomplishing the goals. It will provide leadership to the Director of Institutional Effectiveness on the Baton Rouge campus. It also establishes a Vice President for External Affairs which is common among Systems across the country and present in all systems in the state of LA. The position will allow the University to facilitate its own agenda in dealing with external constituents in state and local government, in the community, and in the private sector.

Rev. Samuel Tolbert had concerns about the various versions of the proposed plan the Board members received. He stated that he had reviewed and make notes from an earlier version of the proposal. President Belton stated that the printed booklet that was distributed is the final version.

Atty. Patrick Magee asked about the reporting structure for the Legal Counsel at the System Level and the Internal Auditor that previously had dual reporting responsibilities to the Board

Upon the motion by Atty. Clayton and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Leroy Davis the proposed reorganization for the SU System and SUBR was recommended for approval.

Motion Passed

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

NONE

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

Upon the motion by Atty. Clayton and seconded by Dr. Davis the Academic Affairs Committee adjourned

Motion passed.

**ATHLETICS COMMITTEE**  
*(Following the Academic Affairs Committee)*

Strand 12 Meeting Room  
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601 Loyola Avenue  
New Orleans, Louisiana

**Minutes**

Athletics Committee Chair Atty. Tony Clayton called the committee meeting to order.

**Present:** Atty. Clayton, Mr. Raymond Fondel, Reverend Donald R. Henry, Atty. Patrick Magee, Atty. Domoine Rutledge, Mr. Mike A. Small and Mrs. Ann A. Smith

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

Upon the motion by Atty. Magee and seconded by Mr. Raymond Fondel the agenda was recommended for adoption.

Motion passed

**AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**AGENDA ITEM 5: Special Presentation**

**A. Roger Cador, Retired Head Coach, SU Baseball Team**

Attorney Clayton passed the gavel to Committee Vice Chair Raymond Fondel to preside. Mr. Fondel introduced Coach Cador who retired earlier this year. Coach Cador was invited to give expressions on his career at Southern. He thanked members of the Board and stated that he enjoyed his career and enjoyed the opportunity to mentor members of his teams. President Belton also extended congratulations to Coach Cador and presented a token of appreciation to him.

Upon the motion by Mr. Raymond Fondel and seconded by Atty. Magee Coach Roger Cador was recommended for Coach Emeritus status.

Motion Passed.

**B. Attorney Tony Clayton**

Board Member Fondel introduced Atty. Clayton stating that he had been Board Chair previously and that he has provided leadership for the Board's athletics committee.

In addition, President Belton asked Athletic Director Roman Banks to give an overview of the special presentation. He announced that Atty. Clayton donated \$1.1 million dollars that will be used to support the band and athletics programs. Athletics Director Banks also expressed gratitude for the donation and he announced that Atty. Clayton has already paid for 17 plaques for the proposed structure. Athletics Department Marketing Coordinator Denise Rankins also announced that plaques would be available for a limited time in the amount of \$10,000. Ms. Rankins also stated that the wind tunnel used by the football team was donated by Board Member Clayton. Mrs. Smith also stated that Board Member Clayton was integral in developing a program for SUBR engineering students and the Shell Oil company to explore opportunities in petroleum engineering. Atty. Clayton stated that the proposed the championship plaza as a way to generate revenue for the band and the department of athletics for years to come.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATION ITEMS**

NONE

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

NONE

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

Upon the motion by Board member Raymond Fondel and seconded by Atty. Clayton the Athletics Committee adjourned

Board Chair Mrs. Ann Smith paused to allow the Mayor-Elect of New Orleans, Mrs. LaTonya Cantrelle to bring greetings to the Board.

## **FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

*(Following the Athletics Committee)*

Strand 12 Meeting Room  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Hyatt Regency  
601 Loyola Avenue  
New Orleans, Louisiana

### **Minutes**

The Facilities and Property Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Rev. Donald R Henry.

**Present:** Rev. Donald Henry, Dr. Leroy Davis, Mr. Raymond Fondel, Jr., Mr. Richard Hilliard, Dr. Leon R. Tarver II, Dr. Rani Whitfield and Mrs. Ann A. Smith

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

Upon the motion by Dr. Leon R. Tarver and seconded by Mr. Hilliard the agenda was recommended for adoption.

Motion passed.

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

NONE

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

#### **A. Priority Projects by Campus, SUS**

Mr. Eli Guillory was not in attendance at the meeting; however, a copy of the status report was included in the meeting packet.

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

NONE

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

Upon the motion by Mr. Hilliard seconded by Mr. Fondel the Facilities and Property Committee adjourned

Motion passed.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
(Following the Facilities Committee)  
Strand 12 Meeting Room  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Hyatt Regency  
601 Loyola Avenue  
New Orleans, Louisiana

**Minutes**

The Finance Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Atty. Domoine Rutledge.

**Present:** Atty. Domoine Rutledge, Mr. Richard Hilliard, Atty. Tony Clayton, Mr. Armond Duncan, Rev. Joe Gant, Jr., Rev. Donald R. Henry, Dr. Leon Tarver and Mrs. Ann Smith

**Absent:** None

Upon the motion by Dr. Leon R. Tarver and seconded by Rev. Henry the agenda was recommended for adoption.

Motion passed

**AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

NONE

**AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Request Approval of Course for Fees Allied Health and Nursing, SUSLA**
- B. Request Approval of Transcript Fee Increase, SUSLA**
- C. Request Approval of Commencement Participation Fee, SUSLA**
- D. Request Approval to proceed in refinancing the remaining debt in the Louisiana Public Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds (Millennium Housing, L.L.C. Student Housing and Auxiliary Facilities Project) Series 2006 (the “2006 Bonds”)**
- E. Request Approval of Student Self-Assessed Fees, SUBR**
  - 1. Men’s Federation Fee Increase**
  - 2. Royal Court Fee Increase**

Upon the motion by Attorney Clayton and seconded by Rev. Henry items 5A, B, and C, D, and E were recommended for approval in globo.

**Motion passed.**

**AGENDA ITEM 6: INFOMATIONAL ITEM**

**A. Interim Financial Report as of August 2017**

Vice President for Finance and Business Affairs Flandus McClinton gave the interim Financial Report. A copy of the summary was included in the meeting packet.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS**

NONE

**AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Atty. Clayton and seconded by Dr. Tarver the Finance Committee adjourned.



## **INTERNAL AUDIT COMMITTEE**

(Following the Finance Committee)

Strand 12 Meeting Room  
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New Orleans, Louisiana

### **Minutes**

The Internal Audit Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Mr. Richard Hilliard.

**Present:** Atty. Domoine Rutledge, Mr. Richard Hilliard, Atty. Tony Clayton, Rev. Joe Gant, Jr., Rev. Donald R. Henry, Dr. Leon Tarver and Mrs. Ann Smith

**Absent:** None

Upon the motion by Atty. Clayton and seconded Dr. Leon R. Tarver the agenda was recommended for adoption.

Motion passed

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

NONE

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

##### **A. Request Approval of Revised Internal Audit Charter for the Southern University System's Internal Audit Function, SUS**

Upon the motion by Atty. Tony Clayton and seconded by Rev. Henry the revised internal audit charter for the SU System was recommended for approval.

Motion Passed

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

NONE

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

Upon the motion by Atty. Clayton and seconded by Rev. Gant the Internal Audit Committee adjourned.

## PERSONNEL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

*(Following the Internal Audit Committee)*

Strand 12 Meeting Room  
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New Orleans, Louisiana

### Minutes

The Personnel Affairs Committee was called to order by Committee Vice Chair Rev. Joe R. Gant

**Present:** Atty. Patrick Magee, Rev. Joe Gant, Atty. Tony Clayton, Dr. Curman Gaines, Rev. Donald R. Henry, Dr. Leon R. Tarver II, and Mrs. Ann A. Smith

### AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Upon the motion by Dr. Tarver and seconded by Rev. Henry the amended agenda was recommended for adoption.

Motion passed unanimously.

### AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

### AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS

#### A. Approval of Personnel Actions on positions greater than \$60,000

Name	Position/Campus	Salary
1. Janene Tate	Director of Communications, SUS New Appointment	<b>\$75,000</b>
2. Dianna Gilbert	Registrar, SUBR New Appointment	<b>\$78,000</b>
3. Ronnie L. Foster	Assistant Registrar, SUBR New Appointment	<b>\$65,000</b>
4. Harold Williams	Police Captain-A, SUBR New Appointment	<b>\$65,000</b>
5. Marlin Ford	Urban Agricultural Specialist, SUAREC New Appointment	<b>\$65,000</b>
6. Tiffany Franklin	Associate Youth Specialist, SUAREC New Appointment	<b>\$65,000</b>
7. Mark Thurmon	Professor, SULC Salary Stipend	<b>\$20,000</b>

Upon the motion by Dr. Tarver and seconded by Rev. Henry agenda items 5A 1 through 7 were recommended for approval in globo.

Motion passed.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS**  
**NONE**

**AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Atty. Clayton and seconded by Dr. Tarver the Personnel Affairs Committee adjourned.

**SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

*(Following the Personnel Affairs Committee)*

Strand 12 Meeting Room  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Hyatt Regency  
601 Loyola Avenue  
New Orleans, Louisiana

**Minutes**

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was called to order by Board Chair Ann Smith.

**Present:** Mrs. Ann A. Smith, Rev. Donald Ray Henry, Atty. Tony Clayton, Dr. Leroy Davis, Mr. Raymond Fondel, Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr., Mr. Richard Hilliard, Atty. Patrick Magee, Atty. Domoine Rutledge, Dr. Leon R. Tarver II, Mr. Armond Duncan, Mr. John L. Barthelemy, Dr. Curman Gaines, Mr. Michael Small, Rev. Samuel Tolbert, Dr. Rani Whitfield

**ABSENT:**

**UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING**

System President Ray Belton, Chief of Staff Robyn Merrick, Interim Executive Vice President and Provost Luria Young, Vice President for Finance and Business Affairs Flandus McClinton, Chancellors Dr. Lisa Mims Devezin (SUNO), Dr. Bobby Phills (SUAREC), Dr. Rodney Ellis (SUSLA), and Atty. John Pierre (SULC).

**BOARD COUNSEL**

Atty. Winston DeCuir Jr. and Tracie Woods

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

Upon the motion by Rev. Gant and seconded by Dr. Leroy Davis the agenda was recommended for adoption.

Motion passed

**AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

NONE

**AGENDA ITEM 5: ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2018**

**Board Chair Mrs. Ann Smith passed the gavel to Vice Chairman Donald Henry who opened the floor for nominations for Board Chair.**

**A. Chair**

Upon the motion by Dr. Leon R. Tarver II and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Curman Gaines Mrs. Ann Smith was recommended as the nominee for Board Chair.

Upon the motion by Attorney Clayton and seconded by Dr. Leroy Davis the nominations were recommended to be closed.

Motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Ann Smith expressed her gratitude for being selected to serve and thanked Board members for their support.

**Mrs. Ann Smith resumed the position of Chair and opened the floor for nominations for the Vice Chair position.**

**B. Vice Chair**

Upon the motion by Atty. Domoine Rutledge and seconded by Mr. Raymond Fondel, the Rev. Donald R. Henry was nominated as vice chairman of the Board for 2018.

Upon the motion by Atty. Tony Clayton and seconded by Rev. Gant the nominations were recommended to be closed.

Motion passed unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

**A. Dr. Byron Clayton, President and CEO, Research Park Corporation and Nexus Louisiana**

Chancellor John Pierre introduced Dr. Clayton who is involved in developing emerging entrepreneurs. Dr. Clayton works with the Research Park Corporation which is part of the LA Technology Park in Baton Rouge and he discussed the BizTech challenge that is one of the events for students held during the Bayou Classic. He also discussed several partnerships that will be forthcoming with SUBR and the SULC law center. He presented a \$20,000 donation from the Research Park Corporation to SULC Chancellor John Pierre.

Mr. John Schroeder, Treasurer-Elect for the State of LA was recognized and introduced by Atty. Rutledge. Mr. Schroeder gave greetings and pledged to support the University in any capacity.

**B. Capital One Bank**

Dr. Belton acknowledged the administration of Capital One who has been a corporate friend to the Southern System for many years. They have provided guidance and technical assistance to advance small businesses. The company requested a proposal and pledged support in the amount of \$500,000 to support STEM initiatives on SU System campuses.

### **C. Above and Beyond Award**

Rev. Joe R. Gant announced that his Janae Williams was selected to participate into the Carnegie Hall High School Honors Concert Choir, for the 2018 High School Honors Performance Series at Carnegie chosen from a field of applicants from all 50 states Washington, DC, 6 provinces of Canada, Australia, China, Hong Kong, Mexico, New Zealand, Qatar, South Korea, and the United Kingdom

Rev. Joe R. Gant also introduced the recipient for the Above and Beyond Award. The award, presented to Mrs. Carl Glenn Ellis Gant for her invaluable support and service to students at Southern University.

### **D. Video Presentation – Year-In-Review**

Mrs. Smith introduced a video presentation with highlights from various programs and initiatives that were held on SU campuses. She thanked Mr. Henry Tillman and Mr. Clourth Wilson for their assistance in developing the video.

## **AGENDA ITEM 7: ACTION ITEMS**

### **A. Minutes of the October 20, 2017, Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors**

Upon the motion by Rev. Gant and seconded by the minutes of the September 22, 2017 meeting were recommended for approval.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the minutes of the September 22, 2017 meeting be and they are hereby approved.

### **B. Approval of Committee Reports and Recommendations**

Upon the motion by Rev. Gant and seconded by Dr. Davis the committee reports were recommended for approval.

Motion passed.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the actions taken by the Academic Affairs Committee, Facilities and Property Committee, Finance Committee, and Personnel Affairs Committee be and they are hereby approved.

#### **1. Academic Affairs**

##### **a. Request Approval to offer General Associate of Science in Teaching, SUSLA**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the recommendation to offer a General Associate of Science degree in Teaching, SUSLA be and it is hereby approved.

**b. Request Approval to offer General Associate of Science in Psychology, SUSLA**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the recommendation to offer a General Associate of Science degree in Psychology, SUSLA be and it is hereby approved.

**c. Request Approval to offer an Associate of Applied Science in Media Communications, SUSLA**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the recommendation to offer an Associate of Applied Science degree in Media Communications, SUSLA be and it is hereby approved.

**d. Request Approval of Faculty Handbook Revision: Course Overload, SUBR**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the recommendation to revise the course overload policy in the Faculty Handbook SUBR, be and it is hereby approved.

**2. Facilities and Property Committee**

The Facilities Committee had no action items. The information item *Status of Priority Projects by Campus, SUS* will be filed for auditing purposes.

**3. Finance Committee**

**a. Ratification of FY 2018-2019 Budget Request and Addenda, SUS**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the ratification of the FY 2018-2019 budget request and addenda be and it is hereby approved.

**b. Request Approval to Assess a Lab Fee for Students Enrolling in Apparel Merchandising and Textiles Program, SUBR**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the request to assess a laboratory fee for students enrolling in the Apparel Merchandising and Textiles program, SUBR be and it is hereby approved.

**c. Request Approval to Use Prior Year Auxiliary Funds, SUBR**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the request to use prior year auxiliary funds, SUBR be and it is hereby approved.

**4. Personnel Affairs**

**a. Approval of Personnel Actions on positions greater than \$60,000**

1. **RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the appointment of Retia Walker as Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Support Services/Associate Dean College of Agriculture, Family and Consumer Sciences, SUAREC/SUBR, at a salary of \$120,000 be and it hereby is approved.
2. Agenda items 5A2 omitted from the Personnel Committee agenda.
3. **RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the new appointment of Brian Adams as Executive Director of Internal Audit, SUS at a salary of \$85,000 be and it hereby is approved.
4. **RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the title change and appointment of Lata Johnson as Deputy Chief Information Officer, Policy & Project Management, SUS/SULC at a salary of \$104,000 be and it hereby is approved.
5. **RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the title change and appointment of Carolyn B. Miller as Interim Deputy Chief Information Officer, Enterprise Systems Services, SUS/SUSLA at a salary of \$94,554 be and it hereby is approved.
6. **RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the title change and appointment of Edmond Cummings, III as SU Lab School Virtual School Director, SUBR, at a salary of \$84,793 be and it hereby is approved.
7. **RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the salary adjustment for Carl Grant as Manager of Data Center Operations/System Analyst, SUBR, at a salary of \$85,000 be and it hereby is approved.
8. **RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the title change for Christopher Rogers as Deputy Chief Information Officer, Client Support Services, SUS/SUAREC, at a salary of \$74,360 be and it hereby is approved.
9. **RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the salary adjustment for Paula Matthews, Business Affairs Manager and Title IX Confidential Advisor, SULC, at a salary of \$61,916 be and it hereby is approved.
10. **RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the salary adjustment for Cynthia Bryant, Dean, College of Humanities and Interdisciplinary Studies, SUBR, at a salary of \$120,000 be and it hereby is approved.
11. **RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the salary adjustment for Barbara Carpenter, Dean/Professor, International Education and Service Learning, SUBR, at a salary of \$120,000 be and it hereby is approved.



- 12. RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the salary adjustment for Emma B. Perry, Dean, John B. Cade Library, SUBR, at a salary of \$120,000 be and it hereby is approved.
- 13. RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the salary adjustment for Tisha Walker, Director of Graduate Admissions/Grant Manager, SUBR, at a salary of \$87,600 be and it hereby is approved.

**C. Request for Approval of a Resolution to Name the Baseball Operations Center the Cadot Baseball Operations Center, SUBR**

Upon the motion by Mr. John Barthelemy and seconded by Mr. Fondel the recommendation to approve the resolution to name the baseball operations center the *Cadot Baseball Operations Center*, SUBR be and it is hereby approved.

Board Counsel Winston DeCuir, Jr. stated that the resolution presented was written specifically for this action because in Louisiana special provisions must be made to name a building for someone who is not deceased.

Atty. Magee suggested a more fitting special recognition be given to Coach Cadot during the Bayou Classic meeting.

**D. Request Approval of a Resolution to Place the Statue of A.W. Mumford on the SUBR Campus**

Upon the motion by Atty. Patrick Magee and seconded by Mr. Fondel the recommendation to approve the resolution to name the baseball operations center the *Cadot Baseball Operations Center*, SUBR be and it is hereby approved.

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the resolution to name the baseball operations center the Cadot Baseball Operations Center, SUBR be and it is hereby approved.

**E. Resolutions**

**Commendations:**

**Condolences:**

**The Gerald Handy Family.** Mr. Handy, husband of Patricia Handy, receptionist in the President-Chancellor's Office and father of Troy Handy of the SUBR Department of Buildings and Grounds, passed away on Saturday, September 9, 2017.

**The George Foster Family.** Mr. Foster, a graduate of SUBR and native of Napoleonville, passed away on Monday, September 11, 2017.

**The Johnson Family.** Mr. Johnson, husband of the late Velena Johnson, interim SUBR registrar, passed away on Wednesday, September 20, 2017.

**The Nathan Smith Family.** Mr. Smith, SU alumnus and father of Ronald Smith, ExxonMobil YMCA Executive Director and cousin of Atty. Patrick Magee, passed away on Saturday, September 16, 2017.

Upon the motion by Rev. Henry and seconded by Rev. Gant the resolutions were recommended for adoption.

Motion passed.

Dr. Stephen McGuire addressed members of the Board thanking them for their support and thanking the team of faculty members, students, and staff that assisted in the gravitational waves initiative that earned a Nobel prize in physics this year.

Atty. Clayton thanked Dr. McGuire for his scholarly contribution which cast a positive light on the University. Mr. Barthelmy also extended congratulations to Dr. McGuire for his commitment to excellence. Dr. Leon Tarver also congratulated Dr. McGuire and thanked him for his service. Dr. Tarver also suggested that Dr. McGuire and his team be included in upcoming marketing videos for recruiting future Southern students. Dr. Leroy Davis also congratulated Dr. McGuire.

## **AGENDA ITEM 7: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

### **A. System President's Report**

Dr. Belton stated that Todd Graves of the Raising Cane's franchise has partnered with the University to support the Band and other SUBR students with scholarships. Dr. Belton also announced the Homecoming parade would be held Saturday, November 4 with a route change so that the High School day would not be impacted. He thanked Baton Rouge Mayor Sharon Weston Broome who assisted the University in obtaining the necessary permits to host the parade.

Dr. Belton asked Foundation Board President Domoine Rutledge to give information about an upcoming trip to Los Angeles to visit with the Valdry family. The parcel of land adjacent to the new Innovation Center was purchased by the SU Foundation and will be used to construct a Center for Philanthropy, which will be the first of its kind at an HBCU. Programming for the Center will be supported by a grant from the Kellogg Foundation. The Center will be a resource for non-profit organizations. The SU Foundation is in discussion with the Valdry Family to make a sizable contribution/investment to improve

the Foundation's equity in constructing the building. The Foundation also wants the Center to support the academic enterprise such that the University may offer a degree in Philanthropy.

Mr. Barthelemy thanked President Belton for addressing concerns

## **B. Campus Reports**

**SUNO** - Dr. Mims Devezin stated that the campus report was included in the packet. She also stated that the SUNO campus received a \$1.3 million grant for its Upward Bound STEM program. Board members were also invited to attend The BASH. Mr. Mike Small also encouraged Board members to attend The BASH.

**SUSLA** - Dr. Ellis stated that the campus report was included in the packet. He noted that SUSLA has closed on the refinancing of the Jaguar Court. In partnership with the city of Shreveport, a kitchen incubator project has been finalized. A groundbreaking will be held November 15. SUSLA Student Affairs department received \$ 1.3 million Veteran's Upward Bound grant to serve the veteran population in the community.

**SUAREC** - Dr. Phills stated that Gala will be held December 16 at the Marriott Hotel-Baton Rouge. All Board members were invited to attend. The annual Livestock Show will be held in the Spring and more information will be forthcoming. The medical marijuana initiative is well underway and a more detailed report will be available at the Board's November meeting.

Mr. Fondel also announced that both Dr. Phills and Dr. Belton would be honored by the LA/MS Network at a reception in Jackson, MS. Dr. Phills will be receiving a Lifetime Achievement award.

**SULC** - Atty. Pierre stated that law center students will be in Washington, D. C. for the Thurgood Marshall Leadership Institute.

**SUBR** - Dr. Young stated that Hayden Hall re-opened with a gala celebration September 25. She reminded Board members that the University would be hosting High School Day November 4.

## **Mrs. Smith made announcements as follows:**

Suggested that Board members arrive approximately 30 minutes prior to the meeting time to discuss items on the agenda to make the meetings more efficient.

She also stated that the Board is poised to consider Dr. Belton's reorganization plan. There is a plan to finalize the plan at the November meeting. She asked Board members to contact Dr. Belton if there are questions.

Rev. Gant stated that he would like the University to give an honorary doctorate to Attorney Johnnie Jones. Chancellor Pierre stated that he and Dr. Luria Young would work together to bring the recommendation to the Board at the November meeting.

Chancellor Pierre was commended for his Op-Ed article that appeared in *The Advocate* regarding the relevancy of HBCUs in cultivating leaders.

**AGENDA ITEM 8: OTHER BUSINESS**

NONE

**AGENDA ITEM 9: ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Atty. Rutledge and seconded by Dr. Davis the meeting adjourned.

Motion passed.