

**Southern University Board of Supervisors**  
*(Following the Facilities and Property Committee)*  
Friday, December 10, 2010  
Board of Supervisors Meeting Room  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building  
Southern University and A & M College  
Baton Rouge, LA

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order and Invocation
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. Public Comments
5. Action Items
  - A. Minutes of the November 26, 2010 regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors
  - B. Committee Reports
    - 1.) Athletics Committee
    - 2.) Facilities and Property Committee
  - C. SUBR Chancellor Search Procedure
  - D. SUBR Chancellor Search Committee
  - E. Resolutions
6. Informational Items
  - A. Project Positive Direction – System President’s Report
  - B. Chancellors’ Reports
  - C. Update on Banner Implementation
7. Other Business
8. Adjournment

**Southern University Board of Supervisors**

9:00 a.m.

Friday, November 26, 2010  
LaGalerie Meeting Rooms 4&5  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Marriott Hotel  
555 Canal Street  
New Orleans, LA

**MINUTES**

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was convened by the Chair, Atty. Tony M. Clayton. The invocation was given by Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson.

**Present**

Atty. Tony M. Clayton, Chair  
Mr. Darren G. Mire, Vice- Chair  
Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr.  
Mr. Patrick W. Bell  
Mr. Richard J. Caiton, Jr.  
Atty. Walter C. Dumas  
Atty. Warren A. Forstall  
Atty. Randal Gaines  
Mr. Walter Guidry  
Atty. Patrick O. Jefferson  
Mr. Myron K. Lawson  
Atty. Patrick D. Magee  
Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery  
Mr. Murphy Nash, Jr.  
Mr. Randale Scott  
Mr. Achilles Williams

**Absent**

None

**University Personnel Attending**

President Ronald Mason, Jr.  
Vice President Kevin Appleton  
Chancellors Ray Belton, Kofi Lomotey, Freddie Pitcher, Victor Ukpolo,  
and Leodrey Williams

**Board Counsel**

Attys. Winston DeCuir, Sr.; Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods

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

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Dr. Thomas Miller, Vice President of the SUBR Faculty Senate, advised the Board concerning a resolution passed by that body relative to the Chancellorship on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus (Item 6N).

Dr. Diola Bagayoka, SUBR faculty member, spoke in regards to Item 6N.

SUBR Faculty Senate President Sudhir Trivedi spoke in opposition to the recommended salary for the new System Vice President for Information and Technology Management (Item 6J).

Mr. Carey Ash, SUBR Alumnus and former SGA President urged the Board to develop a vision for saving Southern University.

### **AGENDA ITEM 5: SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

Mr. Henry N. Baptiste was recognized and received the Board's public commendations on his retirement as the SU Football Color Analyst, following 35 years of service. Mr. Baptiste expressed his appreciation to the Board for its commendations.

### **AGENDA ITEM 6: ACTION ITEMS**

#### **A. Election of Board Officer for 2011**

Mr. Clayton tendered his gratitude to the members of the Board for their support during his tenure as Board Chair for the past two years.

Following Atty. Winston DeCuir, Jr.'s description of the parliamentary procedures to be used by the Board members in the election of officers, the following action was taken:

On motion of Atty. Dumas, seconded by Atty. Magee, nominations for Board Officers will be made from the floor motion. The motion to close nominations will require a second. The first nominee to receive nine affirmative votes will be elected to the position. Otherwise, voting will continue until a nominee captures the required number of votes.

Motion carried unanimously.

**1.) Board Chair**

Mr. Darren Mire was nominated for Board Chair by Mr. Myron K. Lawson. The nomination was seconded by Mrs. Lea P. Montgomery.

A motion was made by Atty. Forstall and seconded by Mrs. Montgomery to close nominations for Board Chair.

Motion carried unanimously.

A roll call on the nomination of Mr. Mire as Board Chair produced the following votes:

**12 yeas:** Clayton, Mire, M. Bell, P. Bell, Forstall, Guidry, Jefferson, Lawson, Magee, Montgomery, Scott, and Williams; **1 nay:** Caiton; **3 abstentions:** Dumas, Gaines, and Nash

Mr. Mire was elected as Chairman of the Board for 2011.

**2.) Board Vice Chair**

Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr. was nominated by Mr. Achilles Williams for the position of Board Vice Chair. The nomination was seconded by Mr Myron Lawson.

A motion was offered by Atty. Jefferson and seconded by Mr. Bell to close nominations for Board Vice Chair.

Motion carried unanimously.

A roll call on the nomination of Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr. as Board Vice Chair produced the following votes: **16 yeas, 0 nays 0 abstentions**

Atty. Bell was elected as Vice Chairman of the Board for 2011.

Mr. Mire and Atty. Bell expressed their appreciation to the members of Board for electing them to their respective positions. Both pledged their best efforts in fulfilling the responsibilities of their elected positions.

**B. Minutes of the October 23, 2010 Regular Meeting of the SU Board of Supervisors**

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

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University, that the minutes of the October 23, 2010 regular Board Meeting be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

**C. Vice President for Finance and Business Affairs and Comptroller's Emeritus Award, SU System**

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the following resolution.

**RESOLVED** that, in recognition of his exemplary service to the Southern University System for the past 55 years, the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the designation of Vice President for Finance and Business Affairs and Comptroller Emeritus of the Southern University System to be bestowed upon Mr. Tolor Edgard White at the end of his tenure of employment at Southern University, with all the rights, honors, and privileges attendant to such status.

**D. Honorary Doctorate in Business Award, SUBR**

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the following resolution:

**RESOLVED** that, in appreciation of the his contributions to the Southern University System and to the people of this state and nation, the Board of Supervisors does hereby approved the Honorary Doctorate of Business to be

conferred upon Mr. Tolor Edgard White at the Fall 2010 Commencement Exercises at Southern University and A&M College.

Mr. White tendered his appreciation to the Board for its recognition of his service to Southern University.

**E. Candidates for Degrees for 2010 Fall Commencement Exercises**

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

**1.) SUBR**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System that the degrees to be conferred upon the candidates for graduation at the Commencement Exercise on Friday, December 10, 2010 on the Southern University and A&M College at Baton Rouge, submitted by the System President, the Campus Chancellors, upon the approval and recommendation of the Faculty, Council of Academic Deans, and appropriate administration be and they are hereby approved

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the list of graduates may be supplemented or modified as is necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

**2.) SUSLA**

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System that the degrees and certificate to be conferred upon the candidates for graduation at the Commencement Exercise on Saturday, December 11, 2011 on the Southern University - Shreveport Campus, submitted by the System President, Campus Chancellor, upon the approval and recommendation of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Faculty and appropriate administrative staff be and they are hereby approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the list of graduates may be supplemented or modified, as necessary, to carry out the intent of this resolution.

**F. 2 + 2 Articulation Agreements between SUNO and SUSLA**

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

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, that the 2 + 2 Articulation Agreement between Southern University at New Orleans, and Southern University at Shreveport for the following programs be and they are hereby approved:

- Bachelor of Science in Mathematics
- Bachelor of Science in Biology
- Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice
- Bachelor of Science in Substance Abuse

Motion carried unanimously.

SUSLA students studying the above disciplines at the two-year level will be able to make a seamless transition into the above four-year programs at SUNO.

**G. BA-7 #2, SU System**

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

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, that the BA-7 #2 which reflects a reduction in total General Fund Direct Funding for 2010-2011 for the SU System, per Governor's Executive Order BJ2010-20.

Motion carried unanimously.

**H.-J. FY 2011-2012 Operating Budget Requests and Budget Request/Addenda**

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

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System, that the 2011-12 Operating Budget Requests and Budget Request Addenda as listed below be and they are hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

-Operating Budget Requests FY 2010-2012

Formula Units

SUBR

SU at New Orleans

SU at Shreveport

SU Law Center

Non-Formula Units

Southern University Board and System Administration

Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center

-Operating Budget Request Addenda, FY 2011-2012

Southern University - Baton Rouge

Information Technology

Operational or Expanded Need

Sunset Review

Southern University at New Orleans

Information Technology

Operational or Expanded Need

Work Force Development

Sunset Review

Southern University at Shreveport

Information Technology

Operational or Expanded Need

Workforce Development

Sunset Review

Southern University Law Center

Information Technology

Operational or Expanded Need

Sunset Review

**J. System Vice-President for Information and Technology Management**

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

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the appointment of Mr. Tony A. Moore as System Vice President for Information and Technology Management, effective December 1, 2010 at an annual salary of \$135,000 be and it is hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

**K. Resolutions**

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

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

**Commendations**

- Mr. Charlie “Bill” Granger, former SU Football and Track Star Athlete, on his upcoming induction into SWAC Hall of Fame, December 2010.
- Dr. Shelby F. Lewis, noted Political Scientist, on her appointment by President Obama to the prestigious Fulbright Board.
- Mr. Henry N. Baptiste on his retirement as SU Football Color Analyst, following 35 years of service.

## Condolences

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

- The Kendrick D. Johnson Family
- The Melba Honey Family
- The Dola Dixon Patterson Family
- The James Bergeron Family

## **L. Proposed Renovations to the Old Reflections Bookstore to house the Police Department, SUBR**

On motion of Atty. Dumas, seconded by Mrs. Montgomery and Mr. Guidry,

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the Administration's request to renovate the Old Reflections Bookstore to house the Police Department on the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus be and it is hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **M. Report from the System President regarding the Annual Performance Evaluation of SUBR Chancellor Kofi Lomotey (Executive Session)**

## **N. Consideration and action regarding the renewal and/or extension of SUBR Chancellor Kofi Lomotey's Employment Contract which expires on December 31, 2010 and his employment beyond December 31, 2010 (Executive Session)**

On motion of Atty. Magee, seconded by Mr. Williams, the Board convened into an executive session to:

- receive a report from System President regarding the annual performance evaluation of SUBR Chancellor Kofi Lomotey; and

- consider the renewal and/or extension of SUBR Chancellor Kofi Lomotey's employment contract which expires on December 31, 2010 and his employment beyond December 31, 2010

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 16 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions

**-EXECUTIVE SESSION-**

**-OPEN SESSION-**

On motion of Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Nash, the Board recommend into open session.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 16 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions

Dr. Mason reported that Dr. Kofi Lomotey had tendered his resignation as Chancellor of Southern University - Baton Rouge, effective December 31, 2010; and, requested reassignment to a teaching position on the Baton Rouge campus. At Dr. Mason's request, Chancellor Lomotey agreed to remain in the Chancellor position until June 30, 2011.

On motion of Atty. Forstall, seconded by Atty. Jefferson, the Board voted to accept Dr. Kofi Lomotey's resignation from the SUBR Chancellor position, effective June 30, 2011.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 16 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions

Chairman Clayton announced that he and Chairman-elect Mire would meet to fashion the search process in collaboration with President Mason. Details will be announced at the Board's next meeting on December 10, 2010.

**O. Authorization to spend funds from Pari Mutual Racing Restricted Account to cover budget shortfall, SUAREC**

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

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors for Southern University that the Administration be and it is hereby authorized to spend \$300,000 from the Pari Mutual Racing Restricted Account number 901106 to cover the SU Ag Center shortfall that resulted from the Governor's mid-year budget reductions.

Motion carried unanimously.

**AGENDA ITEM 7: INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**A. Quality Enhancement Plan Topic for SACS Reaccreditation, SUNO**

The Board received a report on SUNO's Quality Enhancement Plan Topic: E-Focused! Enhancing Student Learning in On-line Courses by Improving Institutional Readiness. An Accreditation Standard required for SACS Reaccreditation, SUNO's Topic is designed to enhance online learning for students early in their freshman and sophomore years.

**B. Memorandum of Understanding concerning a Partnership Agreement with Priestly School of Architecture and Construction, SUNO**

The Board was advised of Southern University at New Orleans' partnership agreement with Priestly School of Architecture and Construction, an Orleans Parish School Board Charter High School. Representatives from the School were in attendance and spoke in support of the partnership agreement.

**C. Baseball Stadium Cultural Center and Women's Softball Projects, SUBR**

Mr. Endas Vincent provided an update on the status of the projects, noting Chancellor Lomotey's assistance in acquiring funds for the Women's Softball Project

**D. System President's Report: Project Positive Direction**

President Mason gave update on Project Positive Direction. He introduced the SOS campaign that will serve as an advocacy and fundraising campaign for the University.

**E. Chancellors' Reports**

Written reports submitted by the Chancellors are online.

In addition to their written reports, Chancellors Pitcher and Williams made the following announcements.

-SU Law Center has been selected for full membership in the American Association of Law Schools

-SUAREC is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> year as an entity of the SU System.

Members of the Board and others in attendance were invited to share in the commemorative cake provided by the Ag Center, following the Board meeting.

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Mr. Kevin Appleton, System Vice President for Finance and Business Affairs and Comptroller, distributed to Board Members copies of a summary of Southern University System budget reductions, for fiscal years 2008-09, 2009-2010 and through mid-year 2010-2011.

The total mandated budget reductions for the Southern University System and each entity for this period are reflected below:

Board and System Administration	\$ 1,129,906
SU and A & M College	\$10,604,033
SU Law Center	\$ 1,455,373
SU New Orleans	\$ 3,840,782
SU Shreveport	\$ 1,753,782
SU Ag Center	<u>\$ 1,905,711</u>
Total	<u>\$20,689,587</u>

**F. Special Presentation by SU and LSU Agricultural Research and Extension Centers**

A plaque was presented to Southern University of New Orleans (SUNO) in appreciation for office space provided to the LSU and SU AgCenter's Orleans Parish staff after Hurricane Katrina .

Chancellor Williams explained that, after Hurricane Katrina destroyed the LSU/SU AgCenter office in Jackson Barracks, the staff first moved to the LSU AgCenter's Jefferson Parish office, and then to the SUNO campus for two years prior to relocating to their current location in the basement of New Orleans' City Hall.

The presentation was made jointly to SUNO Chancellor Victor Ukpolo by LSU and SU AgCenter faculty which included: Dr. Paul Coreil, LSU AgCenter vice chancellor, Dr. Leodrey Williams, chancellor of the SU AgCenter, Dr. Bobby Fletcher, LSU AgCenter and Dr. Gina Eubanks, SU AgCenter vice chancellor for extension.

**AGENDA ITEM 8: OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**AGENDA ITEM 9: ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Secretary, S.U. Board of Supervisors

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Chairman, S.U. Board of Supervisors

Southern University and A&amp;M College

# The Chancellor's Report

to the Southern University Board of Supervisors

Kofi Lomotey, Chancellor

December 2010



## SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS/ACHIEVEMENTS

### Intensified Recruitment Efforts Continue

The Avoyelles Parish Recruitment Round-Up is about to implement its second phase of operation. On November 14, 2010, 28 Avoyelles Parish SU graduates met in Marksville, Louisiana with the Interim Director of Admissions and Recruitment and seven SUBR employees who are natives of Avoyelles Parish. The Avoyelles Parish SU graduates were sufficiently briefed and their help was solicited in cultivating and recruiting Avoyelles Parish junior and high school students.

The University is now in the process of sending initial letters to those students for whom we have been provided contact information. Initial individual letters will come from the Chancellor, the Interim Director of Enrollment Management and the Interim Director of Admissions and Recruitment. Subsequent letters will come from the Director of the Honors College, appropriate deans, department chairs, selected students, and other University staff. The idea is to touch these prospective students multiple times. Meetings will be held in three Avoyelles Parish locations for prospective students and their parents/guardians. These meetings will be held during the first week in January, 2011. During the week following Thanksgiving approximately 30 students from Avoyelles High School are scheduled to visit the SUBR campus.

### SUBR Representative will Speak at New Iberia SU Chapter's Annual Banquet

The Chapter President/Recruitment Liaison for the New Iberia Alumni Chapter has invited Margaret Ambrose to speak at the Chapter's annual banquet as one of the follow up activities for the Blue and Gold United Effort. This activity will take place on Thursday, December 16, 2010 in New Iberia, Louisiana.

Michelle Hill, Interim Director of Enrollment Management has already led a delegation to New Iberia to visit three high schools in the area. This activity gave the Office of Enrollment Management and the Office of Admissions and Recruitment a wonderful opportunity to recruit prospective students.

### **Creator of Kwanzaa to speak at Southern University**

Dr. Maulana Karenga, widely known as the creator of Kwanzaa, an African American celebration, will be the featured speaker at the 22nd Annual Kwanzaa Celebration Thursday, December 30, at 7 p.m. in the Cotillion Ballroom of the Smith-Brown Memorial Union on the Baton Rouge campus.

The program is being hosted by the Africentric Focus/Maat Study group of Baton Rouge.

Karenga is professor and chair of the Department of Black Studies at California State University, Long Beach. He is also chair of the President's Task Force on Multicultural Education and Campus Diversity at California State University, Long Beach.

He holds two Ph.D.'s. His first is in political science with focus on the theory and practice of nationalism (United States International University) and his second in social ethics with a focus on the classical African ethics of ancient Egypt (University of Southern California).

Kwanzaa is a week-long, African American holiday observance held from December 26 to January 1. It was founded in 1966 by Karenga.

Kwanzaa is not a religious holiday, but a cultural one, a festival, based on various elements of the first harvest celebrations widely celebrated in Africa, around the 10th month of the year. It is also celebrated in the Caribbean, South America--especially Brazil, and African communities in Britain and other European countries.

### **SU Education Students Donate More Than \$300 to Local Charity**



Tabitha Taylor-Spencer, a junior Elementary Education major, hands Society of St. Vincent de Paul Chief Executive Officer Michael Acaldo a check for over \$300.

The money was raised by students in Professor Eva Kleinpeter's Reading, Children's Literature and Organization of Administration in Early Childhood classes. St. Vincent de Paul is a charitable organization that serves the needy in the Baton Rouge area.

This gesture is consistent with SUBR's promotion of the importance of giving something back and of service to other.

### **Southern University Selected as ORNL Mentor-Protégé**

The Department of Energy's Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) has selected Southern University and A&M College to be a participant in the ORNL Mentor-Protégé Program for FY 2011-14. This Department of Energy initiative is designed to encourage and assist small businesses, HBCUs, and minority educational institutions in an effort to enhance their capabilities to perform contracts and subcontracts in support of the ORNL mission. Southern University is the only HBCU selected for this Mentor-Protégé cycle.

Southern's participation in the Mentor-Protégé Program will facilitate the development of collaborative partnerships throughout the external research sector that are beneficial to the research infrastructure of the University. Teaming with ORNL will support enhancement of professional research capabilities of the faculty, provide research experiences to complement undergraduate and graduate academic programs, and increase research revenue for the University. Southern students and faculty will gain access to top scientific personnel, programs and facilities in the world.

This effort will enhance SUBR's business and technical capabilities while providing opportunities for Southern to become a successful subcontractor at ORNL, to become a successful contractor for other government agencies and private industry as well as to foster long-term relationships and business growth. ORNL will benefit from this alliance by expanding their pipeline for recruiting young talent to the scientific workforce and promoting research collaborations.

ORNL is a world class multi-program science laboratory managed by UT-Battelle for the Department of Energy. Scientists and engineers at ORNL conduct basic and applied research over a wide range of key scientific areas related to energy, environment, materials, and national security.

### **Media Relations Update**

On Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, *The Advocate* newspaper published a feature story on the changes in the John B. Cade Library that included Java City coffee/snack shop and a reading/computer kiosk area.

On Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, two SU Criminal Justice Professors Stephone Addison and Chanika Jones were interviewed by WAFB-TV Ch. 9 on a story concerning crime and reasons for the spike in crime.

Louisiana Public Broadcasting, Nov. 26, ran a promotional spot on the Southern University Marching Band and the history of "Human Jukebox."

On Friday, Dec. 3, Louisiana Public Broadcasting will broadcast a segment on SU student Polite Stewart Jr. Stewart is a 16-year-old sophomore chemistry major.

***The Chancellor's Report to the  
Southern University Board of Supervisors***

***NAME OF CHANCELLOR: FREDDIE PITCHER, JR.***

***CAMPUS: SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER***

***DATE: DECEMBER, 2010***

***SIGNIFICANT EVENTS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS***

***Chancellor Freddie Pitcher, Jr., Presenter at New York Seminar***

*Chancellor Freddie Pitcher, Jr. was a master presenter at the Louisiana State Bar Association's Multi-topic CLE Seminar in New York. The seminar was held in November at the landmark Hudson Theatre, one of New York City's oldest Broadway showplaces. Its builder, Henry B. Harris, a famous Broadway producer of that period, later died aboard the Titanic.*

*Chancellor Pitcher addressed the topic, Mediation Advocacy: Ten Ways to Succeed or to Fail During a Mediation.*

*He set forth the factors affecting appropriateness for mediation. The presentation included an explanation of the trilateral procedure, as well as an analysis of the mediation process. The presentation also covered procedural fairness to garner a substantive outcome.*

*Chancellor Pitcher said the presentation also focused on client goals, which he said, "are generally divided into three categories: essential, important and desirable."*

*He said the seminar was well attended, attracting participants who work and/or reside along the eastern corridor.*

### **Alums Elected/Re-Elected to Public Service Posts in October Elections**

*Four SULC alumni were among those receiving a vote of confidence in the recent October Elections.*

*The Honorable John Michael Guidry, '87, was re-elected judge on the First Circuit Court of Appeal, and the Honorable Toni Higginbotham, '85, was elected for the first time to a judicial seat on the same court.*

*Samuel Jenkins, '82, a former Caddo Parish commissioner, was elected to the Shreveport City Council; and Mayor Jacques Roy, '97, was re-elected to a second term for the City of Alexandria.*

*On behalf of the Southern University Law Center family, Chancellor Freddie Pitcher, Jr., congratulates these graduates and commends them for being excellent role models for public servants.*

### **Award-winning Investigative Reporter Addressed Business Law Society**

*Investigative Reporter John Camp was the featured speaker for the monthly meeting of the SULC Business Law Society Monday, October 11.*

*Camp addressed the dying craft of serious investigative reporting.*

*The author of *Odyssey of a Derelict Gunslinger: A Saga of Exposing TV Preachers, Corrupt Politicians, Right-Wing Lunatics...and Me*, Camp spent twenty-five years digging dirt as an investigative reporter for network and local television. He is the recipient of dozens of broadcast journalism's most prestigious prizes, including four George Foster Peabody medallions, the so-called Pulitzer Prizes of broadcasting. He also collected three Alfred I. Dupont citations from Columbia University, two Investigative Reporters and Editors (IRE) awards, and numerous other muckraking prizes.*

*Camp became a fulltime investigative reporter in 1972 in Baton Rouge, following ten years of broadcasting experience as a radio reporter, news director, and talk show host.*

*After winning the 1973 Radio Television News Directors International Award for Investigative Reporting, he moved to television, first in Miami and later in Boston. He also did assignments part-time for ABC Close Up in New York.*

*In 1982, he returned to Baton Rouge. During the next seven years, his documentaries on ABC affiliate, WBRZ, received a number of major broadcasting awards.*

*Students and faculty engaged Mr. Camp in questions and comments.*

### **Faculty Colloquium**

*Professor Mark Thurmon presented the opening lecture of the 2010 Fall Faculty Colloquium, on Wednesday, October 20. Thurmon presented "Patent Reform and the Seventh Amendment."*

*The colloquium provided an opportunity for faculty members to share their on-going research with colleagues and students. A senior faculty member led a discussion on the presentation topic and opened the program to questions and comments.*

### **Mitchell Named Thurgood Marshall College Fund Student Ambassador**

*Ashley Mitchell, a third-year law student and part-time political science graduate student, has been selected as Southern University's Thurgood Marshall College Fund Student Ambassador.*

*As Student Ambassador, Mitchell will represent Southern University Law Center (SULC) and the SU Baton Rouge campus at all Thurgood Marshall events and conferences. She is also assigned to speak with Louisiana State and Congressional elected officials about the importance of the Thurgood Marshall College Fund and encourage them to support the fund and Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).*

*Mitchell is the president of the SULC chapter of the National Black Law Students Association (NBLSA) as well as the sub-regional Director of the Southern Region of NBLSA. She is the Vice President of the Sports and Entertainment Law Association. She is employed as a law clerk for the Louisiana State Senate in the Chief of Staff's office and serves as a research assistant for the SULC Office of Continuing Legal Education and Alumni Affairs. Mitchell is a certified mediator and is a student-attorney in the Mediation Clinic.*

*The Shreveport, Louisiana native earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from Louisiana State University in 2007.*

### **Justice Ortique Inaugural Lecture on Law and Society**

*The late Justice Revius O. Ortique, Jr., '56, was honored by Dillard University at the inaugural Justice Revius O. Ortique, Jr., Lecture on Law and Society on Thursday, November 11. U.S. Attorney General Eric H. Holder, Jr., gave the event's first lecture. The Justice Revius O. Ortique Jr., Mock Trial Center was dedicated in the new Professional Schools Building on the Dillard campus.*

*After graduating from Dillard University in 1947, Justice Ortique served in World War II and earned a master's degree from Indiana University and a J.D. from the*

*Southern University Law School. He served on five national boards and commissions under five different U.S. Presidents. He was the first African American elected to both the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeal and the Louisiana Supreme Court.*

### **Office of Enrollment**

*A Hooding Ceremony will be held on Friday, January 14 at 6:00 p.m. at the Law Center for prospective fall 2010 graduates. These persons are: D'Juana Adams, Carlton Allen, Kimberly Avery, Joi Boone, Natasha Fossett, Peggy Garris, Stephen Griffin, LaShaunte Henry, Timothy Holden, DaLacie Jolivette, Robin Kay, Duncan Kemp, Lyle Morgan, Kristen Sanders, Joseph Scogin, Lequisha Stevenson, Stephanie Strickland, and Orlando Whitaker.*

*Degree audits were distributed to all prospective graduates for spring 2011, summer 2011 and fall 2011.*

*Personal Identification Numbers (PINS) were distributed beginning Monday, November 15, 2010 to all law students for fall exams which will begin Tuesday, November 30, 2011.*

### **Academic Support Programs and Academic Counseling**

*Academic Support Programs has launched a new initiative to insure that students have multiple opportunities to remain engaged in discussion of legal problems, through collaborative engagement with their professors, academic counselors, teaching assistants and fellow classmates. To this end, the office has implemented "Academic Discussion Forums" through Westlaw's TWEN and Lexis Nexis.*

*Academic Support presented four sessions of Time Management for final exams to 317 first-year students. Sample study schedules were prepared and distributed for each of the four day sections and the evening section. Monthly course review sessions were held during each Wednesday in October, 4:00-6:00 p.m.*

*The testing accommodations, disability services component conducted initial and renewal assessments for 43 qualified students and has scheduled 172 fall final examinations for qualified students.*

## **Office of Publications and Electronic Media**

*The staff of the Office of Publications and Electronic Media produced 11 publications: five issues of SULC E-News, 2010 Speaker Series Posters and Programs with Prof. Jane E. Cross; Flyer for Taking A Seat For Justice Documentary DVD, LSAT Preparation Workshop Ad, 2011 Calendar for Events, and SULC Application Packet.*

*Nine news releases were distributed concerning pertinent programs, speakers or projects at the Law Center. The office provided three faculty portraits to SU System Magazine and coordinated the October 8 appearance for the Chancellor to participate in the 20<sup>th</sup> Year SU System Foundation Radiothon and the November 6 Halftime Radio Show for the SU v Texas Southern football game.*

*The director of publications and electronic media addressed more than 150 participants in a University of New Orleans sponsored program, "Rebels with Many Causes: Celebrating New Orleans History and the Legacies of Joe Logsdon and Alexander Pierre Tureaud, Sr.," Saturday, October 23 at Dooky Chase Restaurant, New Orleans.*

*The SULC Office of Development received \$4,000 in commitments to the SULC Judicial Wall of Fame and \$6,000 in annual fund and scholarship contributions. The Annual Fund Coordinator partnered with the Louisiana Association of Black Women Attorneys who hosted their general body meeting in the Moot Court Room along with a speed-mentoring event where SULC students met individually with seasoned attorneys and judges and obtained insight into the profession of law.*

## **Office of Recruitment**

### **Ongoing**

*The Office of Recruitment continues to receive requests for applications and enter the names of prospective law students onto our data as prospective students in the fall 2011 class. It continues to schedule tours of the Law Center and assist the Registrar's office and Admissions office as needed.*

### **Recruitment**

*Our recruitment activities include mailing application packets and Thanksgiving cards to prospective law students.*

### Recruitment Visits for November

*Spelman College, University of South Carolina, Atlanta Law Forum, University of Georgia, NAAHP (National Association of African American Honors Program) Conference, National Black Pre-Law Fair, St. John School of Law, Tuskegee University, LSU-PAD, Houston Law Forum, Bayou Classic Job Fair*

### Director Makes Special Cookies

*Professor Gail Stephenson, director of legal analysis and writing, and her punctuation cookies were photographed and featured on the Legal Writing Professor Blog and in the fall issue of The Exclamation Point, the national newsletter of National Punctuation Day, an organization dedicated to promoting the correct use of punctuation.*

### On the Go

*Vice Chancellor **John Pierre** was a panelist for a session of the Third Annual Financial Literacy Leadership Conference, October 25-26 in Arlington, Virginia. The conference theme was Financial Literacy: Next Steps." Pierre joined the workshop discussion, Financial Literacy Opportunity Forum, moderated by Luke Reynolds of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.*

### Alumni News

*Attorneys **S. P. Davis**, '73; **Brenda Ford**, '78; and **Jacqueline Scott**, '85, were speakers at the Greater Baton Rouge Louis A. Martinet Legal Society's CLE on ethics and professionalism at the Second Circuit Court of Appeals, in Shreveport, on October 23.*

*Judges **Leon L. Emanuel, III**, 77, and **Ramona L. Emanuel**, '86, of the First Judicial District Court in Shreveport, Louisiana, were recipients of the Jesse N. Stone Award by the Shreveport Branch of the NAACP at its Annual Freedom Banquet, held in September. Judge Leon Emanuel has more than 18 years on the bench and Judge Ramona Emanuel is celebrating 15 years on the bench this month.*

***Mary J. Mudrick**, '83, has been promoted to Criminal Chief of the U. S. Attorney's Office-Shreveport. Mudrick joined the U. S. Attorney's Office 11 years ago as an Assistant U. S. Attorney assigned to the Shreveport Criminal Division. The majority of Mudrick's cases since 2008 have been civil rights related. Formerly, she was the Project Safe Neighborhood Coordinator, handling violent crime and gun cases. Mudrick is currently the civil rights coordinator and serves on the district's Diversity Committee. She is also the point of contact for Violence Against Providers of Reproductive Health*

*Services, Hate Crimes Initiative, Regional Worker Exploitation Task Forces, and Trafficking in Persons.*

*The 2010-11 Louisiana State Bar Association President's Awards were presented to **Alejandro R. Perkins, '04**, on behalf of the Louis A. Martinet Legal Society, Inc., and **Chauntis T. Jenkins, '98**, in recognition of her exemplary work as chair of the LSBA's third annual Conclave on Diversity in the Legal Profession.*

***Monica Griffith-Braud, '10**, has joined the professional law firm of Derren S. Johnson & Associates, APLC. She was a magna cum laude graduate, served as the SULC SBA Evening Division president for two years, as the SBA Evening Division representative for two years, and as an editor for the Southern University Law Review for two years. She earned seven CALI Awards, presented to the student with the highest grade in the class.*

*Griffith-Braud will serve bankruptcy and Social Security disability clients. She has worked with the firm since 2003 as a paralegal and law clerk. "We are very proud of Monica's accomplishments and fortunate to have her associated with our firm," said Derren Johnson, principal of the firm. She added, "She will be an asset to us and to our clients."*

*Special Problems*

*None*

*Significant Administrative or Policy Changes*

*None*

# Southern University at Shreveport Chancellor's Report

December 2010

## SUSLA STUDENTS CELEBRATES 2010 HOMECOMING

### MONDAY: NOVEMBER 8, 2010 OPEN MIC NIGHT

The Southern University SGA open up homecoming week with open mic night "The Spotlight" chairmen were Robert M. Lars & Clifton Boykins while Cordecio Galloway, Student Government Association Vice President, hosted the night's event. The night had some of the hottest upcoming poets, singers, dancers, and rapper Shreveport-Bossier has to offer with the band was Alter Ego.

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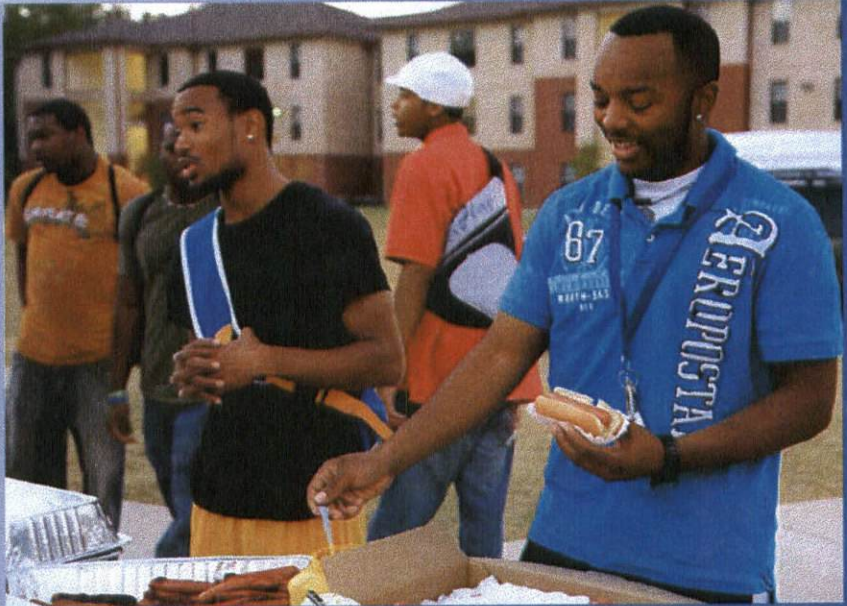
### TUESDAY: NOVEMBER 9, 2010 CORONATION

Kristen Davis was crowned as Miss Southern University at Shreveport 2010-2011 after each sweetheart of Student organizations on campus, and the royal courts from each respective Southern University campus was presented in the health and physical education building on Tuesday November 9, 2010. Her theme for the night's occasion was "Stairway to Heaven".



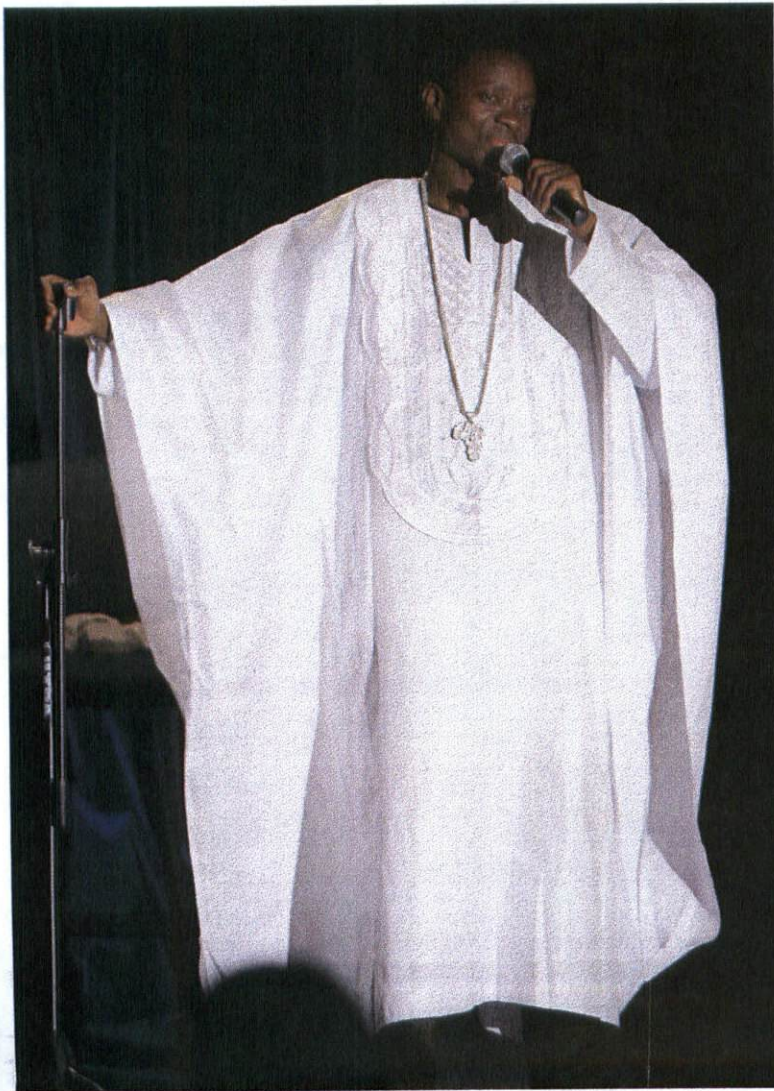
**WEDNESDAY:  
NOVEMBER 10, 2010  
WILD OUT WEDNESDAY  
WEINER ROAST**

The Wild out Wednesday Weiner roast was hosted by local radio personalities from the Radio Group. It was an opportunity for our students to interact with one another outside of classes in a fun environment and showcase their various talents. Port City Jags Head Coach, David Francis exchanged his warm-up suit for a chef's apron and proved he is just as good with a spatula as he is with a basketball.



**THURSDAY:  
NOVEMBER 11, 2010  
COMEDY SHOW**

This year's comedy show featured local comedians Blacky Black, Jeremy "Scooby" Houston, and others. Special guest comedian was Michael Blackson, who portrayed the angry African character from the movie Next Friday, as well as being seen on Comedy Central, Def Comedy Jam and ComicView. KBTT 103.7 Tha Beat radio personality, Jabber Jaws provided musical entertainment between acts. In attendance at this event was the director of Student Activities, Mrs. Rebecca Gilliam, former SGA President Charles Johnson, and various members of the faculty, staff, and members of the community.



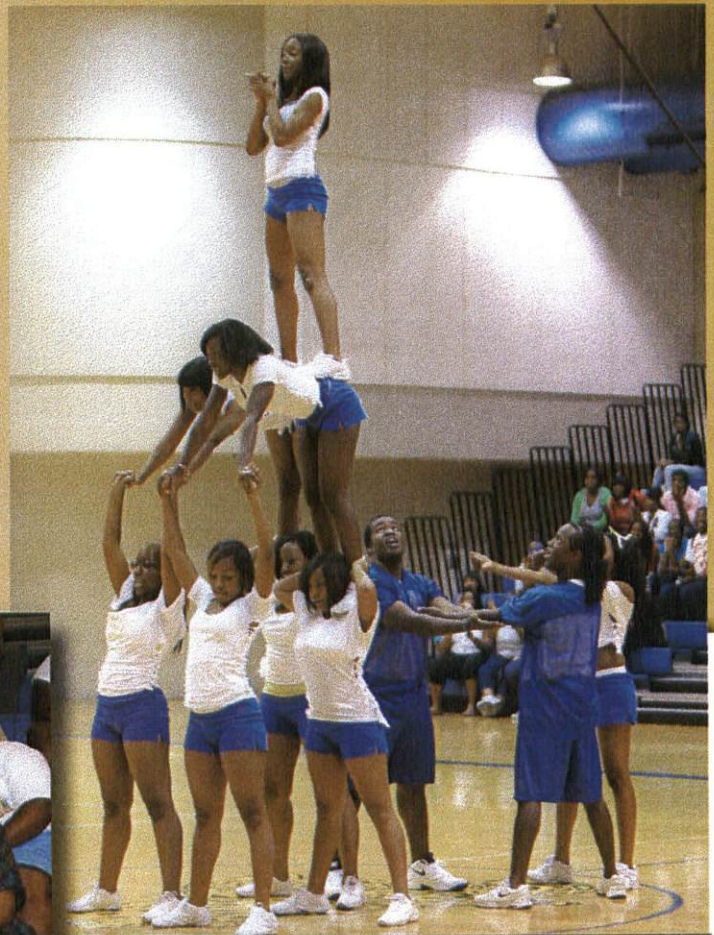
## FRIDAY: NOVEMBER 12, 2010 JLV CLASSIC TOURNAMENT

The Johnny L. Vance Classic was hosted by the Port City Jags and Lady Jaguars. The tournament was an exciting one and both Jaguar teams took home victories.

## SATURDAY: NOVEMBER 13, 2010 PARADE

## JLV CLASSIC TOURNAMENT DAY 2 HOMECOMING CONCERT

The day started out with a parade featuring local community businesses and each club or organization's sweetheart. The 2nd day of the Johnny L. Vance tournament started that afternoon. The Port City Jags, unfortunately the Lady Jags did not prevail. The week concluded with a concert featuring R & B singer, Avant along with rap artists Webbie, The Party Boyz, and Choppa.



## December Events / Activities



*An Invitation to All Faculty, Staff and Students*

*Phi Theta Kappa, International Honor Society*

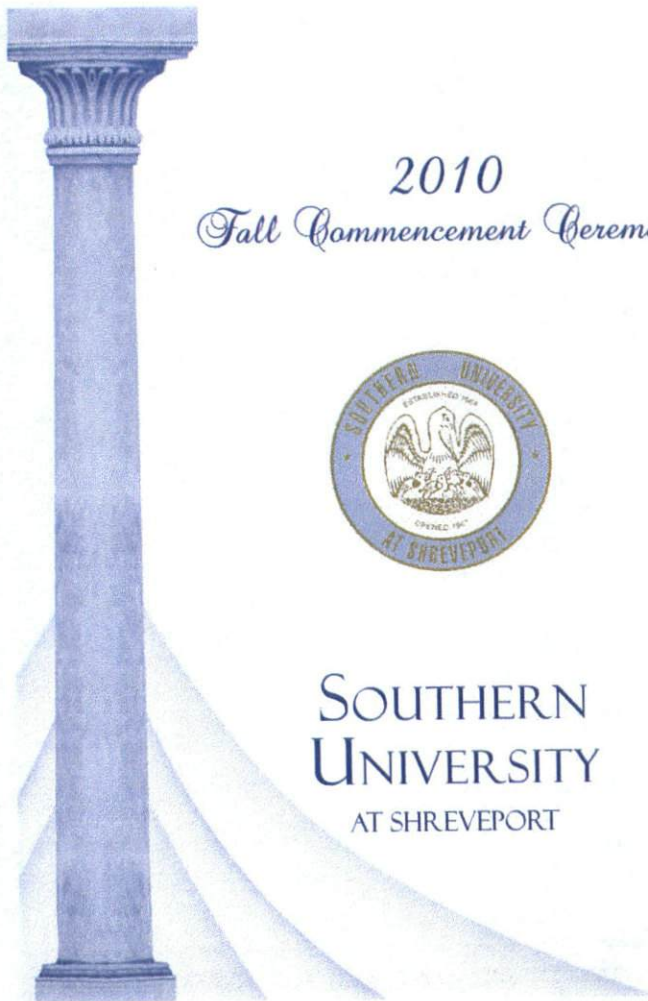
*Beta Beta Nu Chapter*

*Induction Ceremony*

*Wednesday, December 1, 2010*

*12:00 Noon*

*Johnny Vance Multi-purpose Room.*



*2010  
Fall Commencement Ceremony*



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AT SHREVEPORT

*Southern University  
Board of Supervisors, System President,  
Chancellor, Faculty, Staff*

*and*

*Graduating Class of 2010*

*Request the Honor of your Presence*

*at the*

*Fall Commencement Ceremony*

*Saturday, December 11, 2010*

*10:00 a. m.*

*Southern University at Shreveport  
Health and Physical Education Complex  
3050 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive  
Shreveport, Louisiana.*