

## **SPECIAL RECOGNITION COMMITTEE**

**February 21, 2025**

**Leon R. Tarver II Cultural & Heritage Center  
Baton Rouge, LA**

### **MINUTES**

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was called to order by Board Chair Tony Clayton

Board Chair Tony Clayton announced the convening of the Special Recognition Committee.

The invocation was given by Elder Robert Donaldson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brandon Sills, Jr. 10 yr old student at Southern University Laboratory School.

### **AGENDA ITEM 3: SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

#### **A. Human Jukebox Superbowl Recognition**

Chancellor Pierre recognized the Human Jukebox band, and he asked Dr. Kedric Taylor and staff to come up and he thanked everyone for their support. There was a video presentation, and the board members gave kudos to the band director, staff, and members of the band for their great presentation during the Superbowl.

#### **B. Top Jags Recruitment Book**

Chancellor Pierre recognized Mr. Eldred Jackson, and he asked him to come up and make the presentation of the Top Jags and he mentioned the recruitment book and gave details about the Top Jags program and asked for support.

### **AGENDA ITEM 4: ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Donald Henry to adjourn the meeting.

## **FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

(Following Special Recognition Committee)

February 21, 2025

**Leon R. Tarver II Cultural & Heritage Center  
Baton Rouge, LA**

### **MINUTES**

The Board Chair Tony Clayton announced the convening of the Facilities and Property Committee. Member Donald Ray Henry called the committee meeting to order.

#### **Roll Call by President Shields**

**Present:** Mr. Donald Ray Henry – Chair, Ms. Maple Gaines – Vice Chair, Ms. Zazell Dudley, Mr. Chris Masingill, Atty. Domoine Rutledge, Atty. Edwin Shorty, Mrs. Ann Smith and Dr. Rani Whitfield and Atty. Tony Clayton – Ex Officio

**Absent:** Mr. Paul P. Matthews

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

There was a motion by Atty Edwin Shorty and the second by Atty Domoine Rutledge to adopt the agenda. Motion passed.

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

None

#### **AGENDA ITEM 5: INFORMATIONAL ITEM(S)**

##### **A. Facilities Update (SUS)**

Mr. Dawson provided an update on all projects and answered questions from board members.

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

None

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

A motion was made by Attorney Edwin Shorty to adjourn the meeting.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**(Following Facilities and Property Committee)**  
**February 21, 2025**

**Leon R. Tarver II Cultural & Heritage Center**  
**Baton Rouge, LA**

**MINUTES**

The Board Chair Tony Clayton announced the convening of the Finance Committee. Mr. Myron K. Lawson called the committee meeting to order.

**Roll Call by President Shields**

**Present:** Mr. Myron K. Lawson – Chair, Mrs. Ann Smith – Vice Chair, Mr. Reggie Abraham, Atty. Quincy Cawthorne, Ms. Zazell Dudley, Ms. Maple Gaines, Mr. Chris Masingill, Atty. Domoine Rutledge and Atty. Tony Clayton– Ex Officio

**Absent:** None

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

There was a motion by Mrs. Ann Smith and the second by Ms. Maple Gaines to adopt the agenda.

Motion passed.

**AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**AGENDA ITEM 5: INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

A. Interim Financial Statement

Mr. McClinton mentioned the financial statements are in the packet. He asked if there were any questions. He addressed all questions. Mr. Lawson requested updates on grants that Mr. McClinton will meet and discuss with Mr. Lawson prior to the next meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS:**

None

**AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Masingill to adjourn the meeting.

## **LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

(Following Finance Committee)

February 21, 2025

**Leon R. Tarver II Cultural & Heritage Center  
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### **MINUTES**

The Board Chair Tony Clayton announced the convening of the Legal Affairs Committee. Atty Quincy Cawthorne called the committee meeting to order.

#### **Roll Call by President Shields**

**Present:** Atty. Quincy Cawthorne – Chair Atty. Domoine Rutledge – Vice Chair, Miss Dana Bailey, Ms. Maple L. Gaines, Atty. Edwin Shorty, Mr. Henry Whitehorn, and Atty Tony Clayton – Ex Officio

**Absent:** None

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

Upon the motion by Chairman Clayton and second by Atty Edwin Shorty, the amendment to add Agenda Item 6 Other Business. Motion approved.

Upon the motion by Atty Edwin Shorty and seconded by Miss Dana Bailey the agenda was recommended for adoption with amendment.

Motion approved

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

None

#### **AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEM(s)**

Motion by Atty Domoine Rutledge and seconded by Atty Edwin Shorty to approve Action Item 5A.

Motion approved.

- A. Request for Approval for the acquisition of a customized Aconity-MIDI Laser Powder Bed Fusion system (3D Printer) with multi-material capabilities by SUBR. This contract totals \$1,008,559.00 which warrants board approval. (SUBR)

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

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6: ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Atty Edwin Shorty to adjourn the meeting.

**PERSONNEL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**  
 (Following Legal Affairs Committee)  
 February 21, 2025

**Leon R. Tarver II Cultural & Heritage Center**  
**Baton Rouge, LA**  
**MINUTES**

The Board Chair Tony Clayton announced the convening of the Personnel Affairs Committee. Atty Edwin Shorty called the committee meeting to order.

**Roll Call by President Shields**

**Present:** Atty. Edwin Shorty– Chair Ms. Maple Gaines – Vice Chair, Mr. Reggie Abraham, Ms. Zazell V. Dudley, Mr. Chris Masingill, Atty Domoine Rutledge, Mrs. Ann Smith, Mr. Henry Whitehorn and Atty Tony Clayton – Ex Officio

**Absent:** None

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

Upon the motion Mr. Chris Masingill and seconded by Ms. Maple Gaines the agenda was recommended for adoption  
 Motion passed

**AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEM(S)**

The motion was made by Atty Domoine Rutledge and second by Mr. Henry Whitehorn that Action Item 5A and 5B be approved in global.

Motion Approved

A. Request for Approval of Personnel Action on Positions Equal to or Greater than \$100,000.00 (SUAREC)

Name	Position/Department	Personnel Action	Waived / Search	Salary Previous   Suggested	Funding Source
1. Dr. Clyde Bagley	Vice Chancellor of Research	Promotion/Full Professor with Tenure	Search	184,760   \$175,000	Federal

B. Request Approval of Personnel Action on Positions Equal to or Greater than \$100,000.00 (SUS)

Name	Position/Department	Personnel Action	Waived / Search	Salary Previous   Suggested	Funding Source
2. Dawn Harris	Chief Human Resources Officer	Promotion	Search	\$130,000   \$135,000	State

**AGENDA ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Atty Domoine Rutledge to adjourn the meeting.

# **SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**(Following Personnel Committee)**

**February 21, 2025**

**Leon R. Tarver II Cultural & Heritage Center**

**Baton Rouge, LA**

## **MINUTES**

The meeting of the Southern University Board of Supervisors was called to order by Board Chair Tony Clayton.

### **PRESENT**

Mr. Reggie Abraham, Miss Dana Bailey, Atty Tony Clayton, Atty Quincy Cawthorne, Ms. Zazell Dudley, Ms. Maple Gaines, Mr. Donald R. Henry, Mr. Myron K. Lawson, Mr. Chris Masingill, Mr. Paul Matthews, Atty Domoine Rutledge, Atty Edwin Shorty, Mrs. Ann Smith, Rev. Dr. Samuel Tolbert and Mr. Henry Whitehorn and Dr. Rani Whitfield

### **ABSENT**

None

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

Upon the motion by Mr. Donald Henry and seconded by Rev. Dr. Samuel Tolbert the agenda was recommended for adoption.

Motion passed.

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

None

### **AGENDA ITEM 5: RESOLUTIONS**

Dr. Allen Vital read resolutions for the following:

#### Resolutions

- Kathy Renee Hayes
- Atty Shatiqua Mosby-Wilson
- Chad Edward Adams
- George Alan Kirk
- Thomas Irvin Sutton
- Coach Webster Alexander Duncan Jr.
- Shentell V. Brown
- Isaiah Morgan
- Gwendolyn Anderson Brown
- Rosena B. Machen

Commendations

Atty Robbins Graham

There was a motion by Miss Dana Bailey to approve the read resolutions and commendations and Mr. Myron K. Lawson second the motion.

Motion approved.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: ACTION ITEM(s):**

There was a motion by Atty Domoine Rutledge and by Mr. Henry Whitehorn to approve action item 6A-6B globally.

Motion passed.

- A. Request for Approval of Minutes of January 17, 2025, SUS Board of Supervisors Meeting
- B. Request for Approval of Committee Reports and Recommendations

There was a motion by Mr. Myron Lawson and by Dr. Rani Whitfield to approve action item 6C.

Motion passed.

- C. Request for Approval of REIMAGINE SUSLA 5-Year Strategic Plan

There was a motion by Atty Domoine Rutledge and by Mr. Henry Whitehorn to approve action item 6D.

Motion passed.

After discussion, Chairman Clayton discussed his expectations with President Shields.

- D. Request Approval for President Shields, Chief Administrative Officer, to provide the name of the consultant by the March board meeting that will provide a comprehensive review of our current system of operations, and to identify opportunities to optimize operational efficiency and effectiveness on all five campuses of the Southern University System.
- E. Consideration of the Recommendation for Southern University Law Center Chancellor EXECUTIVE SESSION\*

After executive session, President Shields recommendation is Atty Alvin Washington for SULC Chancellor.

Motion stated by Chairman Clayton

Vote on Motion – All voted yes for the exception of Atty Shorty and Mr. Matthews, who voted no.

Domoine Rutledge made a motion to authorize the president to execute the contract and discuss with Chairman. Second, by Mrs. Ann Smith and Ms. Zazell Dudley.

Motion Approved



**AGENDA ITEM 7: INFORMATIONAL ITEM(s)**

- A. Presidential Report
- B. Legislative Priorities
- C. Chancellor Reports – Refer to Reports in packet.
- D. SU Alumni Executive Director Report – provided by Mr. Carlton Jones
- E. SU Branding and Marketing Discussion – Will move to a meeting later in the year.

**AGENDA ITEM 8: OTHER BUSINESS**

Chairman Clayton and the president acknowledge the Black Caucus in attendance and thanked everyone for their time and patience for today's meeting. He wished everyone a good weekend.

**AGENDA ITEM 9: ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Myron K. Lawson to adjourn the meeting.