

Special Meeting
Southern University Board of Supervisors
Monday, June 30, 2014
2nd Floor, J.S. Clark Administration Building
Southern University and A&M College
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Minutes

The special meeting of the Board of Supervisors was convened by Chairwoman, Atty. Bridget A. Dinvaut. The invocation was given by Vice Chairman, Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr.

PRESENT

Atty. Bridget A. Dinvaut - Chairwoman
Rev. Joe R. Gant, Jr. - Vice Chairman
Atty. Murphy F. Bell, Jr.
Atty. Tony M. Clayton
Atty. Walter C. Dumas
Mr. Raymond M. Fondel, Jr.
Mr. Diangleo S. Frazer
Dr. Eamon M. Kelly
Mr. Darren G. Mire
Mr. Myron K. Lawson
Mr. Mike A. Small
Mrs. Ann A. Smith
Dr. Leon R. Tarver, II
Rev. Samuel C. Tolbert, Jr.

ABSENT

Mr. Calvin W. Braxton, Sr.
Mr. Willie E. Hendricks

UNIVERSITY PERSONNEL ATTENDING

System President Ronald Mason, Jr.
Chief of Staff Evola Bates
System Vice Presidents Kevin Appleton, Carlos Thomas (representing Vice President Tony Moore) and Monique Guillory-Winfield
Chancellors Victor Ukpolo (SUNO), Ray Belton (SUSLA), Dr. Verjanis Peoples (representing Chancellor James Llorens) Freddie Pitcher (SULC), and Ms. Linda Batiste (representing Chancellor Leodrey Williams) (SUAREC)

BOARD COUNSEL

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Jr. and Tracie Woods

AGENDA ITEM 3: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Mrs. Smith, the agenda was adopted as printed.

Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Elaine Lewnau, Chairperson for the Department of Speech-Language Pathology in the College of Nursing and Allied Health, spoke to oppose Action Item 5D-16: Consideration of Non-Transformation and Non-SUBR Reorganization Personnel Actions exceeding \$60,000 - Dr. Cheryl Taylor.

The following faculty and staff members spoke in opposition of Action Item 5C: Consideration of delegation of authority and other restructuring during the term of Acting Chancellor

- Dr. Diola Bagayoko, SUBR Professor
- Dr. Thomas Miller, President SUBR Faculty Senate
- Mr. Albert Samuel, SUBR Faculty
- Ms. Tony Jackson, SUBR Staff Senate

Mr. Nicholas Harris, SUBR SGA President, spoke in support of Action Item 5C: Consideration of delegation of authority and other restructuring during the term of Acting Chancellor.

AGENDA ITEM 5: ACTION ITEMS

- A. Consideration of proposed settlement/consent decree in Williams v. Board of Supervisors, No. 11-739, United States Dist. Court, Middle District of Louisiana
(Executive session may be required)

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Rev. Gant, the Board convened into executive session to consider the proposed settlement/consent decree in Williams v. Southern University Board of Supervisors, NO. 11-739, United States District Court, Middle District of Louisiana.

Motion carried unanimously.

-EXECUTIVE SESSION-

-OPEN SESSION-

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Atty. Dumas, the Board reconvened into open session.

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call: 14 yeas, Dinvaut, Gant, Bell, Clayton, Dumas, Fondel, Frazer, Kelly, Lawson, Mire, Small, Smith, Tarver and Tolbert; 0 nays; 0 abstentions

Chairwoman Dinvaut announced that no actions were taken by the Board during its executive session.

On motion of Atty. Clayton, seconded by Rev. Gant the resolution was approved:

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System to accept the recommendation of the SUBR Administrators and Legal Counsel to settle the consent decree between Kayla Williams v. Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College be and it is hereby approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

**B. Consideration of Appointment of Acting Chancellor, SUBR
(Executive session may be required)**

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Atty. Clayton, the Board convened into executive session to consider the appointment of an Acting Chancellor for the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus.

-EXECUTIVE SESSION-

-OPEN SESSION-

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Atty. Bell, the Board reconvened into open session.

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was offered by Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Rev. Gant, to appoint Mr. Flandus McClinton, Jr. SUBR Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration as Acting Chancellor of the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus, effective immediately.

A substitute motion was offered by Atty. Clayton seconded by Dr. Tarver to have Dr. Ronald Mason serve in dual positions as System President and Acting Chancellor of the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus, effective immediately.

The substitute motion failed. Roll call vote: 7 yeas, Bell, Clayton, Kelly, Mire, Small, Smith and Tarver; 7 nays; Dinvaut, Gant, Dumas, Fondel, Frazer, Lawson and Tolbert; 0 abstentions

The Board then voted on the main motion previously offered, which approved the following resolution:

Motion carried unanimously. Roll call vote: 14 yeas, Dinvaut, Gant, Bell, Clayton, Dumas, Fondel, Frazer, Kelly, Lawson, Mire, Small, Smith, Tarver and Tolbert; 0 nays; 0 abstentions

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System that Mr. Flandus McClinton, Jr. be appointed as Acting Chancellor of the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus, effective immediately and it is hereby approved.

Chairwoman Dinvaut, on behalf of the Board of the Supervisors congratulated Mr. Flandus McClinton, Jr. on his appointment as Acting Chancellor of the Southern University - Baton Rouge Campus.

C. Consideration of delegation of authority and other restructuring during the term of SUBR Acting Chancellor

A motion was offered by Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Rev. Gant, to delegate the authority to implement the proposed SUBR reorganization restructuring and other restructuring during the term of SUBR Acting Chancellor, effective July 1, 2014.

An amendment motion was offered by Mr. Mire, seconded by Rev. Gant, under the proposed SUBR reorganization restructuring to have SUBR Athletic Department report to the Acting Chancellor and not the SUBR Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.

A substitute motion was offered Atty. Clayton, seconded by Atty. Bell to defer the implementation of the SUBR reorganization restructuring until input is given by the System President, SUBR Administrators and Faculty.

The substitute motion failed: Roll call vote: 6 yeas, Bell, Clayton, Kelly, Small, Smith, and Tarver; 8 nays, Dinvaut, Gant, Dumas, Fondel, Frazer, Lawson, Mire, and Tolbert; 0 abstentions

Discussion ensued regarding the assignments of certain department on the proposed SUBR reorganizational chart.

On motion of Rev. Tolbert, seconded by Rev. Gant, the Board called a five minute recess of the meeting.

-RECESS-

-RECONVENTION-

Roll Call: 14 yeas, Dinvaut, Gant, Bell, Clayton, Dumas, Fondel, Frazer, Kelly, Lawson, Mire, Small, Smith, Tarver and Tolbert; 0 nays; 0 abstentions

On motion of Dr. Tarver, seconded by Mr. Frazer, the following resolution was approved.

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System that the proposed SUBR reorganizational chart approved with the following modifications (1) Athletics Department and Media Relation's Office be assigned to the Acting Chancellor and the Registrar's Office assigned to the Academic Affairs Office be it is hereby approved.

Motion carried. Roll call vote: 10 yeas, Dinvaut, Gant, Bell, Clayton, Fondel, Frazer, Lawson, Tarver and Tolbert; 3 nays, Kelly, Mire and Small; 1 abstention, Dumas

D. Consideration of Non-Transformation and Non-SUBR Reorganizational Personnel Actions exceeding \$60,000

On motion of Rev. Gant, seconded by Atty. Dumas, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors for the Southern University System that the consideration of Non-Transformation and Non-SUBR Reorganization Personnel Actions exceeding \$60,000 be and they are hereby approved.

1. Jacques J. Detiege	<u>*System Evaluation and Assessment Specialist, SUS</u> New Appointment/Replacement	\$75,500
2. Jessica M. Bradley	<u>*Director of Accounting and Reporting Services, SUS</u> New Appointment/Replacement	\$67,000
3. Cary Hollins	<u>Comptroller, SUBR</u> Replacement	\$85,000/\$60,029
4. Benjamin Stove, III	<u>BURSAR, SUBR</u> Replacement	\$60,000
5. Vonsha Henderson	<u>*Director for Quality Enhance Planning, SUBR</u> New Appointment/Replacement	\$80,000
6. S. N. Murthy	<u>Associate Professor, Environmental Toxicology, SUBR</u> New Appointment	\$64,000
7. Anthony Jackson	<u>Asst. Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, SUBR</u> New Appointment	\$70,000
8. Caronda Bean	<u>*Registrar, SUBR</u> New Appointment/Replacement	\$75,000
9. Alice Douzier	<u>*IT Project Coordinator, SUBR</u> Replacement	\$63,000/\$55,000
10. LaShawn Thompson	<u>ERP Lead Coordinator, SUBR</u> Replacement	\$80,000/\$80,000
11. Nolan Johnson	<u>Network System Manager, SUBR</u> Replacement	\$72,000/\$50,000
12. Hang Yin	<u>*Assistant Professor, Civil & Environmental Engineering, SUBR</u> New Appointment/Replacement	\$70,000
13. David Porter	<u>Professor, English, SUBR</u> Returning to Full-time Status	\$65,700
14. Edgar R. Belvins	<u>Professor, Mechanical Engineering, SUBR</u> Promotion from Associate Professor	\$81,790

15. Moustapha Diack	<u>Director and Professor</u> , SUBR New Appointment/Replacement	\$80,000/\$66,945
16. Dr. Cheryl Taylor	<u>Chair</u> , Graduate Programs in Nursing, SUBR Change of Position, Status & Pay Change	\$98,172
17. Fatina C. Elliott	<u>*Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs</u> , SUSLA New Appointment/Replacement	\$68,000
18. Benjamin Pugh	<u>Vice Chancellor for Administration</u> , SUSLA Continuation-Returning,	\$95,000
19. Jenita C. Hegwood	<u>*Asst. Prof/Director of Field Exp. & Student Teaching</u> , SUNO New Appointment/Replacement	\$62,500
20. Donalyn L. Lott	<u>*Director Inst. Res., Effectiveness & Strategic Planning</u> , SUNO New Appointment/Replacement	\$70,000
21. Deneen Lewis	<u>*Director</u> , SUNO New Appointment/Replacement	\$60,000
22. Jessica Matthews	<u>*Director of Financial Services</u>, SULG New Appointment/Replacement	\$65,000
23. Demetria George	<u>*Budget Officer</u> , SULC Replacement	\$65,000/\$57,500
24. Donald North	<u>Professor</u> , SULC Transferring from 12mts to 9mts	\$117,037.87
25. Xiaobing Liu	<u>*Assistant Professor</u> , SUAREC New Appointment	\$70,000
26. James Henson	<u>*Senior Research Scientist</u> , SUAREC New Appointment	\$60,000
27. Onyumbe Enumbe Lukongo	<u>*Assistant Professor</u> , SUAREC New Appointment	\$65,000
28. Wanda H. Burke	<u>Youth Development Specialist</u> , SUAREC Additional Compensation	\$12,600

AGENDA ITEM 6: INFORMATIONAL ITEM

- A. Food Service Contract, SUS

Atty. Winston DeCuir, Jr. provided an update on the Food Service Contract for the Southern University System.

Mr. Lawson congratulated Rev. Tolbert on his recent triumph for being elected as President of the National Baptist Convention of America, International, Inc. and Rev. S.C. Dixon on his 27th Year Anniversary in the gospel ministry.

AGENDA ITEM 7: ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Rev. Gant, the meeting was adjourned.

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