February 28, 2003

## TO REPORTERS WHO COVER SIU BOARD MEETINGS

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University has been scheduled for Thursday, March 13, 2003, at approximately 10:30 a.m., in Ballroom "B" of the Student Center, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois.

On Thursday, March 13, 2003, at 7:30 a.m., Stone Center, there will be an executive session of the Board of Trustees. The only public portion of the meeting is expected to consist of a motion to close the meeting to the public for the purpose of considering pending, probable or imminent court proceedings against or on behalf of the Board; information regarding appointment, employment or dismissal of employees or officers; acquisition of real property; review of executive session minutes; and collective negotiating matters.

At 9:00 a.m., the Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees will meet in Ballroom "B" of the Student Center, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois. The meeting of the Architecture & Design Committee will immediately follow the meeting of the Finance Committee, which in turn will be followed by the meeting of the Academic Matters Committee. **The Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Board's Bylaws and Policies will meet after the Academic Matters Committee meeting**. Ten minutes after the adjournment of the Ad Hoc Committee meeting, the full Board meeting will convene. A news conference will be held in the Video Lounge following the meeting.

The enclosed agenda and Board matters are provided in advance of the meeting for your convenience. Any of these matters is subject to change or may be withdrawn from the agenda.

Sincerely,

James E. Walker President

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## Enclosure