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, September 9, 2004, at approximately 10:00 a.m., in Hoag Auditorium, Building 283, School of Dental Medicine, Alton, Illinois.

On Wednesday, September 8, 2004, at 3:30 p.m., Alumni Conference Center, Building 273, Alton campus, 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; and collective negotiating matters.

At 6:00 p.m., members of the Board of Trustees will have dinner at Tony's, 312 Piasa Street, Alton, Illinois. The gathering is social in nature.

On Thursday, September 9, 2004, at 7:30 a.m., Alumni Conference Center, Building 273, School of Dental Medicine, Alton, members of the Board of Trustees will have breakfast with Dr. Vaughn Vandegrift, Chancellor, SIU Edwardsville. At the time of the breakfast, the room will be open to the public and seating will be provided for visitors, but breakfast will be served only to Board members and Chancellor Vandegrift.

At 9:00 a.m., the Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees will meet in the Hoag Auditorium, Building 283, School of Dental Medicine, Alton, Illinois. The meeting of the Architecture and 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. Ten minutes after the adjournment of the Academic Matters Committee meeting, the full Board meeting will convene. A news conference will be held in the Hoag Auditorium immediately following the meeting.

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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 Any of these matters is subject to change or may be withdrawn from the agenda.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,

Duane Stucky Acting President

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Enclosure