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, November 8, 2007, at approximately 10 a.m. or immediately following the Board committee meetings in Ballroom B, Student Center, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Carbondale, Illinois.

On Wednesday, November 7, 2007, at 3:30 p.m. in the Stone Center, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Carbondale, Illinois, 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 matters exempt under the Open Meetings Act such as pending, probable or imminent court proceedings against or on behalf of the Board; information regarding appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of employees or officers; review of executive session minutes; and collective negotiating matters.

At 6:00 p.m., members of the Board of Trustees will have dinner at the Hunan Village, in Carbondale, Illinois. The gathering is social in nature.

On Thursday, November 8, 2007, at 7:30 a.m. at Stone Center, members of the Board of Trustees will have breakfast. The gathering is social in nature.

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At 9 a.m., the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees will meet in Ballroom B of the Student Center. The meeting of the Finance Committee will immediately follow the meeting of the Executive Committee, which in turn will be immediately followed by the meetings of the Architecture and Design Committee and Academic Matters Committee. Upon adjournment of the Academic Matters Committee meeting, the full Board meeting will convene. A news conference will be held immediately following the meeting.

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 Any of these matters are subject to change or may be withdrawn from the agenda.

Sincerely,

Glenn Poshard President

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Enclosure