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, July 10, 2008, at approximately 10:00 a.m. or immediately following the Board committee meetings, in the Auditorium, School of Medicine, 801 North Rutledge, Springfield, Illinois.

On Wednesday, July 9, 2008, at 1:30 p.m., in the Atrium Conference Room, School of Medicine, 801 North Rutledge, Springfield, Illinois, there will be a meeting of the Audit Committee.

At 2:30 p.m. in the Lincoln Conference Room, 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, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of employees or officers; acquisition of real property; review of executive session minutes; and collective negotiating matters.

At 6:30 p.m., the members of the Board will attend a dinner at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, Springfield, Illinois. The gathering is social in nature.

On Thursday, July 10, 2008, at 7:30 a.m. in the Lincoln Conference Room, School of Medicine, members of the Board of Trustees will have breakfast with Dr. Kevin Dorsey, Dean and Provost of the SIU School of Medicine. 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 Dr. Dorsey.

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At 8 a.m., members of the Board of Trustees will tour the SimmonsCooper Cancer Institute, 315 West Carpenter Street, Springfield, Illinois. The gathering is social in nature.

At 9 a.m., the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees will meet in the Auditorium of the School of Medicine, 801 North Rutledge, Springfield, Illinois. The meeting of the Academic Matters Committee will immediately follow the meeting of the Executive Committee, which in turn will be followed by the meetings of the Finance Committee and Architecture and Design Committee. Upon adjournment of the Architecture and Design Committee meeting, the full Board meeting will convene. A news conference will be held in the Auditorium immediately following the meeting.

At 11 a.m., members of the Board of Trustees will attend a ribbon cutting ceremony at the SimmonsCooper Cancer Institute.

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