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#### 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 12, 2002, at approximately 10:30 a.m., in the Multi-function Room, Bluff Hall, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, Illinois.

On Wednesday, September 11, 2002, the Board of Trustees will participate in a budget retreat in the Special Events Room, B. Barnard Birger Hall, SIUE. Lunch has been scheduled from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., with the budget retreat beginning at 1:00 p.m.

At 3:30 p.m., in the Conference Room, B. Barnard Birger Hall, 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 pending, probable or imminent court proceedings against or on behalf of the Board; information regarding appointment, employment or dismissal of employees or officers (including the annual evaluation of President Walker pursuant to II Statutes of the Board of Trustees 5-1); and acquisition of real property.

At 6:00 p.m., members of the Board of Trustees will have dinner at Andria's Restaurant, 7415 State Route 143, Edwardsville, Illinois. The gathering is social in nature.

On Thursday, September 12, 2002, at 7:30 a.m., in the Learning Resource Center, Bluff Hall, members of the Board of Trustees will have breakfast with Rod Bothast, Director, National Corn-to-Ethanol Research Pilot Plant. 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 Mr. Bothast.

On Thursday, September 12, 2002, at 9:00 a.m., the Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees will meet in the Multi-function Room, Bluff Hall, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, 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

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convene. A news conference will be held in the Multi-function Room immediately 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