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, April 10, 2003, at approximately 10:30 a.m., in the Meridian Ballroom, Delyte W. Morris University Center, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, Illinois.

On Wednesday, April 9, 2003, at 3:00 p.m., in the Conference Room, Birger Hall, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, 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; review of executive session minutes; collective negotiating matters; and acquisition of real property.

From 5:30-6:30 p.m., Birger Hall, members of the Board of Trustees have been invited by Chancellor David Werner to attend a wine and cheese reception with members of the SIUE Faculty Senate and President James Walker.

At 6:45 p.m., members of the Board of Trustees will have dinner at the Sunset Hills Country Club, Edwardsville, Illinois. The gathering is social in nature.

On Thursday, April 10, 2003, at 7:30 a.m., in the Board Room, University Center, members of the Board of Trustees will have breakfast with G. Patrick Williams, SIUE Vice Chancellor for Development and Public Affairs, and Harold Melser, Director, Planned Giving. 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 members of the Board, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Melser.

At 9:00 a.m., the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees will meet in the Meridian Ballroom, Delyte W. Morris University Center, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, Illinois. The meeting of the Finance Reporters Who Cover Board Meetings Page 2 March 28, 2003

Committee will immediately follow the meeting of the Executive Committee, which in turn will be followed by the meetings of the Architecture and Design Committee and 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 International 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