

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
JUNE 20, 2005

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University convened at 2:36 p.m., Monday, June 20, 2005, in the International Room of the Morris University Center, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, Illinois. The meeting was called to order. The following members of the Board were present:

Ed Hightower, Vice-Chair
John Simmons, Secretary
Ed Ford
Marilyn D. Jackson
Keith R. Sanders
Roger Tedrick
A. D. VanMeter, Jr.

The following member of the Board was absent:

Rick Maurer

Also present were James E. Walker, President; Jerry D. Blakemore, General Counsel; David Gross, Executive Assistant for Governmental, Media, and External Affairs; and Misty Whittington, Executive Secretary of the Board.

Vice-Chair Hightower stated that Chair Glenn Poshard had submitted his resignation from the Board which was effective June 16, 2005. He informed the Board that the first order of business would be to elect officers for the Board of Trustees. He explained that according to the Bylaws of the Board of Trustees, Article II, Section 1, it stated that the Board shall elect from secret ballot from its own membership and by a majority vote of those voting members present, a Chair, a Vice-Chair, and a Secretary, who shall hold office until their successors are elected and

qualified. He explained that the Bylaws further stated that if only one person was nominated for an office, the nominee may be elected by acclamation. Vice-Chair Hightower stated that he did not seek nomination for the chairmanship. His current professional and personal obligations do not allow him at this time the time necessary to perform this important responsibility. He stated that he would provide his continued support, would remain an active member, and was willing to continue to serve as Vice-Chair. He queried the Board members as to whether any changes should be made for the current Vice-Chair and Secretary positions. Hearing none, the Vice-Chair stated that he would entertain a nomination for the Chair position.

The Vice-Chair recognized Mr. Simmons who nominated fellow Trustee Roger Tedrick for the chairmanship of the Board of Trustees. The motion was seconded by Dr. Sanders. Mr. VanMeter moved that the nominations be closed and that Mr. Tedrick be elected by acclamation. The motion was duly seconded by Dr. Jackson. The motion being duly made and seconded, Student Trustee opinion in regard to the motion was indicated as follows: Aye, Ed Ford; nay, none. The motion carried by the following recorded vote: Aye, Ed Hightower, Marilyn Jackson, Keith Sanders, John Simmons, A. D. VanMeter, Jr.; nay, none. Mr. Tedrick abstained from voting.

Chair Tedrick thanked the Board for its support and pledged to continue to work closely with the members. Chair Tedrick indicated that

the Board needed to go into closed session for the purposes of discussing personnel matters related to the Presidential search.

At 2:50 p.m., Mr. Ford moved that the Board go into closed session to consider information regarding appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of employees or officers. The relevant section of the Open Meetings Act Statute that allow for the closed session are 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (1). The motion was duly seconded by Dr. Jackson. Student Trustee opinion in regard to the motion was indicated as follows: Aye, Ed Ford; nay, none. The motion carried by the following recorded vote: Aye, Ed Hightower, Marilyn Jackson, Keith Sanders, John Simmons, Roger Tedrick, A. D. VanMeter, Jr.; nay, none.

The executive session adjourned at 4:50 p.m. No formal action was taken.

At 4:45 p.m., Chair Tedrick reconvened the meeting in open session. He announced that as Chair of the Board, he proposed that the Board establish itself as a Committee of the Whole for the SIU 2005 Presidential Search. In an effort to assure constituent input and to comply with statutes regarding minority and women participation as well as the participation of the various constituent groups of each of SIU's campuses, he proposed that the Board establish a Presidential Search Advisory Committee whose responsibilities would include advising the Board in the selection of the next President. The Chair asked Dr. Sanders to serve as the Chair's liaison to the Presidential Search Advisory Committee as well

as be responsible for the day-to-day activities of the search. The Chair further asked that Vice-Chair Hightower work closely with Dr. Sanders and the Chair to define more specifically the search process and procedures. Finally, the Chair requested that the Board take action to initiate a national search for the new President of SIU and that the search be completed not later than December 2005. In this regard, the staff was instructed to work closely with Dr. Sanders and Dr. Hightower and prepare a position announcement for publication in early July.

Vice-Chair Hightower made the motion that the Board establish itself as a Committee of the Whole for the SIU Presidential Search and that the SIU Board of Trustees staff be instructed to work with the Chair, Vice-Chair, and Trustee Sanders in the development of a 2005 Presidential Search Advisory Committee. The Vice-Chair further moved that the staff, in conjunction with the Chair, Vice-Chair, and Trustee Sanders, develop recommendations for a search firm to be presented to the full Board at the July Board meeting as well as the procedures regarding the implementation of the SIU 2005 Presidential Search. Trustee Jackson seconded the motion. The motion being duly made and seconded, and after a voice vote the Chair declared the motion to have passed unanimously.

Dr. Sanders moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was duly seconded by Mr. Simmons, and after a voice vote the Chair declared the motion to have passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

John Simmons, Secretary

