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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, July 14, 2005, at approximately 10 a.m., in the Auditorium, School of Medicine, 801 North Rutledge, Springfield, Illinois.

On Tuesday, July 12, 2005, at 11:30 a.m. at the Illini Country Club, Illini Road, Springfield, Illinois, members of the Board of Trustees will attend an internal workshop.

At 6:00 p.m., members of the Board of Trustees will have dinner at the Illini Country Club, Illini Road, Springfield, Illinois. The gathering will be social in nature.

On Wednesday, July 13, 2005, at 8:00 a.m. in the Stevenson Room, School of Medicine, 801 North Rutledge, Springfield, Illinois, members of the Board of Trustees will attend a continuation of an internal workshop.

At 3:30 p.m. in the Atrium Conference Room, School of Medicine, 801 North Rutledge, Springfield, 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, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of employees or officers; acquisition of real property; review of executive session minutes; and collective negotiating matters.

At 6:00 p.m., the Board members will attend a dinner in celebration of the groundbreaking of the SIU Cancer Institute at the Governor's Mansion in Springfield, Illinois. The gathering is social in nature.

On Thursday, July 14, 2005, at 7:30 a.m. in the Atrium Conference Room, School of Medicine, members of the Board of Trustees will have breakfast with Dr. Kevin Dorsey, Dean of the School of Medicine.

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At 9 a.m., the Finance 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 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 convene. A news conference will be held in the Pearson Museum, immediately following the meeting.

At 11:30 a.m., members of the Board will attend the SIU Cancer Institute groundbreaking ceremony at Miller and Rutledge, Springfield, Illinois.

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,

James E. Walker  
President

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Enclosure