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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, October 12, 2006, at approximately 10 a.m. or immediately following the Board committee meetings in Ballroom "B", Student Center, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois.

On Wednesday, October 11, 2006, at 3:30 p.m. in the Stone Center, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois, there will be an executive session of the Board of Trustees. With the exception of a brief report on the Excellence Concept Team, 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 matters exempt under the Open Meetings Act such as 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; review of executive session minutes; and collective negotiating matters.

At 6 p.m., members of the Board of Trustees will have dinner at Giant City Lodge, Makanda, Illinois. The gathering is social in nature.

On Thursday, October 12, 2006, at 7:30 a.m. at Stone Center, members of the Board of Trustees will have breakfast with Mr. Jesse Ruiz, chair of the Illinois State Board of Education. At the time of the breakfast, the room will be open to the public and seating will be provided for visitors, but breakfast will only be served to members of the Board and Mr. Ruiz.

At 9 a.m., the Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees will meet in Ballroom "B" of the Student Center. The meeting of the Architecture and Design Committee will immediately follow the meeting of the Finance Committee, which in turn will be immediately followed by the meeting of the Academic Matters Committee. Upon adjournment of the Academic Matters Committee meeting, the full Board meeting will convene. A news conference will be held immediately following the meeting at the Board table.

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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 Any of these matters are subject to change or may be withdrawn from the agenda.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