June 1, 2007

Members of the Board Academic Matters Committee
   Ed Hightower, Chair
   Samuel Goldman
   Christine Guerra
   Keith Sanders

The Academic Matters Committee will meet following the Architecture and Design Committee on Thursday, June 14, 2007, in Ballroom B in the Student Center, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

The following items are suggested for the agenda:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the April 12, 2007, Meeting (enclosure)

2. Presentation: Barry M. Goldwater Scholars
   Presenters: Laurie Bell, Assistant Director, University Honors Program
               Austin Mohr, 2006 Goldwater Scholar
               Erin Shanle, 2007 Goldwater Scholar

3. Other Business

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Sincerely,

John S. Haller, Jr.
Vice President for Academic Affairs

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Enclosure

c: Jesse Phelps
   John Simmons
   Roger Tedrick
   Stephen Wigginton
   Marquita T. Wiley

   Glenn Poshard
   John Dunn
   Vaughn Vandegrift
   Constituency Heads
   Other Interested Parties
The Academic Matters Committee met following the Architecture and Design Committee on Thursday, April 12, 2007, in the Meridian Ballroom in the Delyte W. Morris University Center, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Present were: Ed Hightower, Chair; Samuel Goldman; Christine Guerra; and Keith Sanders. Other Board members present were: Jesse Phelps, John Simmons via teleconference, Roger Tedrick, Stephen Wigginton, and Marquita Wiley. Executive Officers present were: President Glenn Poshard; Interim Chancellor John Dunn, SIUC; Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift, SIUE; Vice President John S. Haller, Jr.; and Vice President Duane Stucky.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the February 28, 2007, meeting were approved as submitted.

**Presentation: Academic Affairs/Student Affairs Partnership — Project G.A.M.E.**

Earleen Patterson, Program Director for S.O.A.R. (Student Opportunities for Academic Results), presented information about Project G.A.M.E. (Goal-Oriented African American Males Excel). The divisions of Student Affairs and Academic Affairs on the SIUE campus partnered to develop the project as a response to the low number of African American males in the education pipeline nationwide. Dr. Patterson noted that the two-semester course was designed to focus on undergraduate education and enhance academic skills.

Howard Rambsy, Assistant Professor of English Language and Literature and a volunteer with Project G.A.M.E., talked about the importance of student-faculty relationships.

Preston Williams, a G.A.M.E. alumnus, and Quince Zackrie, a freshman at SIUE, shared their experiences as students in Project G.A.M.E.

President Poshard expressed his gratitude for the presentation and for the program itself and stated his desire to meet with Dr. Patterson, Chancellor Vandegrift, and Vice Chancellor Narbeth Emmanuel to discuss expansion of the program through the entire system.

**Other Business**

Having no further business before it, the Academic Matters Committee adjourned.