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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, February 12, 2009, at approximately 10:00 a.m. or immediately following the Board committee meetings in Ballroom B, Student Center, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Carbondale, Illinois.

On Wednesday, February 11, 2009, at 3:30 p.m., at the Stone Center, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees has called an executive session meeting of the Board of Trustees. The public portion of the meeting is expected to consist of updates on the Arena/Stadium Financing, SIUC Financial Aid, and the President's 2008 - 2009 Goals and Objectives. Then it is expected that a motion will be made 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 dinner at the Stone Center. The gathering is social in nature.

On Thursday, February 12, 2009, at 7:30 a.m. at Stone Center, members of the Board of Trustees will have breakfast with Dr. Ted Grace, Director of the Student Health Center at SIU Carbondale. The gathering is social in nature.

At 9:00 a.m., the Academic Matters Committee of the Board of Trustees will meet in Ballroom B of the Student Center, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Carbondale, Illinois. The meeting of the Finance Committee will immediately follow the meeting of the Academic Matters Committee which in turn will be followed by the meeting of the Architecture and Design Committee. Upon adjournment of the Architecture and Design Committee meeting, the full Board meeting will convene. A news conference will be held immediately following the meeting.

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 Any of these matters are subject to change or may be withdrawn from the agenda.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