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, May 7, 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, May 6, 2009, at 2:30 p.m., the Audit Committee of the Board of Trustees will meet in the Large Dining Room of the Stone Center, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois.

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 discussions on the Plagiarism Policy Guide and tuition and fees. 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 7:00 p.m., the Board members will attend dinner in honor of SIUC Distinguished Service Award Recipient Barbara Lesar at the Stone Center. The gathering is social in nature.

On Thursday, May 7, 2009, at 7:30 a.m. at Stone Center, members of the Board of Trustees will have breakfast. The gathering is social in nature.

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At 9:00 a.m., the Executive 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 Academic Matters Committee will immediately follow the meeting of the Executive Committee which in turn will be followed by meetings of the Finance Committee and 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.

At 11:30 a.m., members of the Board of Trustees will attend a luncheon in honor of Lindell W. Sturgis Award Recipient Steve Buhman in Ballroom A of the Student Center.

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