Members Present
Trustee Peggy A. Montes, Chairman
Trustee Betsy Hill, Vice-Chairman
Trustee Ulanda Fulford, Student Fulford
Trustee Reverend Richard Tolliver, Ph.D.

Others Present
President Elnora D. Daniel
Dr. Beverley Anderson, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Attorney Mark Dunn, Board Counsel
Ms. Diane Conatser, CIO, Information Technology
Dr. Dean Justmann, Interim Vice President for Budget and Risk Management
Dr. Kenneth Koroma, Associate President for Sponsored Programs
Mr. Marquis Miller, Executive Director, Foundation
Dr. Lauri Miller, UP/President
Mr. Alan Robertson, Interim Vice President for Administration and Financial Affairs
Dr. Erma Brooks Williams, Senior Executive Director for Board and Governmental Affairs

Approval of Meeting Minutes
With one minor correction, the Board approved the March 8, 2006, meeting minutes.

Tenure Recommendations

Dr. Saleem Abuliel
Dr. Tunde Akinmoladum
Dr. Khalid Alsamara
Dr. Walid Al-Ghoul
Dr. Chongim Choi
Dr. ALonza Decarlo
Prof. Kathleen Haefliger
Dr. Timothy Harrington
Prof. James Hendricks
Dr. Leroy Jones
Dr. John Lynch
Dr. Gregory Place
Dr. Ventakeswara Potluri
Dr. Mel Sabella
Dr. William Ebomoyi

Ayes: 3
Nays: 0

Denial

Prof. Melanie Ellexson

Ayes: 3
Nays: 0

Tuition Waiver Budget FY 2007

Trustee Hill moved to approve the FY 2007 Tuition Waiver Budget. Trustee Tolliver seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0

FY 2008 Budget Request

Trustee Hill moved to approve the FY 2008 Budget Request. Trustee Montes seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0

Standard Charter Bank

Trustee Hill moved to grant Standard Charter Bank the authority to establish a petty cash and payroll accounts in Ghana. Trustee Montes seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0

Emeritus Status

Trustee Hill moved to grant Dr. Marjorie Stinespring Emeritus Status for her outstanding service to the University. Trustee Montes seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:
Ayes: 4
Nays: 0

Report of the President
President Daniel provided highlights of her written report. She informed the Board that she recited a poem of the late Gwendolyn Brooks at DuSable Museum in celebration of the new President of Liberia. Dr. Daniel also informed the Board that The Covenant, written by Tavis Smiley and published by Third World Press publisher Professor Haki Mahabuti, is now on the Best Seller’s List, which is the only African-American publisher to make the top seller’s list. Three- hundred thousand copies have been printed. Also, the play, “By a Black Hand”, is eligible for the prestigious Delcore Award. Dr. Daniel also informed the Board that IBHE had approved the Pharmacy Program at its April 6, 2006 board meeting. The program will commence in 2008. A search for the Dean is underway. She also informed the Board that a reception for the Governor of Ghana will be held at the official residence on May 18, 2006. A tour of the new academic library was offered to interested trustees.

Committee of the Whole Report
Since members were present at the Committee of the Whole meeting, no report was presented.

Civil Service Merit Board
Chairman Montes informed the Board that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 24, 2006 in Urbana.

Student Trustee Report
Student Trustee Ulanda Fulford presented a power point report. As part of her report, she informed the Board of the following:

- Computer rooms were down
- Potholes were in need of repair at the 95th and St. Lawrence entrance;
- There is lack of summer school offerings in Computer Science;
- Students have concerns related to submission of schedules for books returns;
- Students would like to obtain copies of faculty evaluations;
- The Book Store is selling incorrect books to students and book vouchers should be issued in a more timely manner;
- JDC does not have handicapped accessible doors on the north side of the building;
- and students wanted to know the expiration date for Thompson Hospitality contract?

Board members encouraged Dr. Rosalyn Brown and Mr. Alan Robertson to address these issues before the next Board meeting and to meet with the President to resolve these issues.
Trustee Ulanda Fulford was presented with a plaque for her outstanding service to the Board for 2005 – 2006. The new trustee, Ms. Evelyn Kenyode and Mr. Jerome Jackson, the new IBHE Representative, were introduced.

Other Matters
There were no other matters or public comments.

Recess into Executive Session
The Board recessed into Executive Session at 10:20 a.m.

Return to Open Session

Action Item
Trustee Tolliver moved to grant approval for the University to purchase the 9551 – 9601 and 9611 Cottage Grove properties. Trustee Hill seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.