

March 8, 2010 Executive Session Minutes
Academic Library Auditorium

5:00 p.m. – 7:10 p.m.

Members Present

Rev. Leon D. Finney, Jr., Ph.D., Chairman
Rev. Richard Tolliver, Ph.D., Vice Chairman
Trustee. Betsy Hill, Secretary
Trustee. Lisa Morrison Butler
Trustee. Gary Rozier
Trustee Zaldwaynaka "Z" Scott
Trustee. Lavon James, Student Representative

Others Present

President Watson
Bernetta Bush, Ethics Officer
Attorney Patrick Cage, General Counsel
Glenn Meeks, Vice President for Finance and Administrative Affairs
Dr. Renee Mitchell, Human Resources Director
Limo Sherin
Dr. Erma Brooks Williams, Associate to the President for the Board of Trustees and Governmental Affairs

Attorney Limo Sherin provided a update on the final settlement for Simens.

Glenn Meeks and Renee Mitchell provided an update on the plan to right size the University and the projected cost savings for FYs 2010 and 2011. Some strategies that will be instituted include eliminating administrative and extra help positions that are redundant in responsibilities, eliminating vacant positions and suspending fourth quarter spending.

The firms of Neal and Leroy LCC and Burke and Burns were interviewed as potential counsel to represent the Board. The consensus was to contract with Neal LLC because the principal assured Board members that he would be the primary counsel for the Board.

The Board also discussed the process for evaluating President Watson, e.g. self-evaluation against the contract, survey or feedback from other members, and goal setting. Attorney "Z" Scott requested a copy of the President's contract .