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 an 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.