

**Chicago State University Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**May 9, 2007**  
**Academic Library Auditorium**

**8:35 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.**

Members Present

Rev. Richard Tolliver, Ph.D., Chairman  
Mr. Jacoby Dickens  
Rev. Leon Finney, Ph.D.  
Ms. Betsy Hill  
Ms. Peggy A. Montes  
Mr. Jim Reynolds  
Ms. Evelyn Kayode, Student Representative

Others Present

President Elnora D. Daniel  
Dr. Sandra Westbrook, Interim Provost for Academic and Student Affairs  
Ms. Diane Conatser, CIO, Information Technology  
Attorney Mark Dunn, Board Legal Counsel  
Dr. Dean Justmann, Interim Vice President for Budget, Facilities and Risk Management  
Dr. Kenneth Koroma, Assistant Vice President for Sponsored Programs  
Mr. Marquis Miller, Interim Vice President for Institutional Advancement  
Dr. Alan Robertson, Interim Vice President for Administration & Financial Affairs  
Ms. Nancy Hall Walker, Vice President for Labor and Legal Affairs  
Dr. Erma Brooks Williams, Senior Executive Director for Board and Governmental Affairs

Roll Call

The May 9, 2007, Committee of the Whole Meeting convened. A quorum was verified.

Verification of Meeting Notice

Dr. Erma Brooks Williams verified that the meeting notice had been posted as mandated by the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

Action Items

**With minor corrections, the minutes were approved as submitted.**

Information Items

- A. Budget, Facilities and Risk Management – Dr. Dean Justmann provided an overview of the FY 08 budget request. He informed the trustees that the budget was working its way through the legislative process. A capital request of \$23 million was submitted for renovation of Douglas Hall. A recommendation of \$10 million is for the development of the West Side Satellite Campus. A total of \$483

million is needed for capital improvements. However, there are no permanent dollars for operating and maintenance for new facilities. There are cash reserves available to address some of these issues. The impact of the budget approval issue could mean a reduction in services. The alternative plan is to fund operations through an increase in tuition. Dr. Justmann also informed the trustees that some lump sum items have not been added to the university's permanent budget, e.g. Education Doctorate, Pharmacy, Library operations. The capital renovation is underway for the Convocation Center, Harold Washington abatement, roof renovations, campus beautification, greenery enhancements, tree replacements, lightning improvements, and illumination of message boards.

- B. Administration and Financial Affairs - Dr. Alan Robertson provided an overview of the written financial reports related to tuition, grants and contracts, public service grants, investments, account receivables, collections, and the Business Enterprise Program. He informed the trustees that expenditures for minority males and disabled contractors were down. A discussion ensued regarding how to improve this area. *Dr. Robertson responded that this matter is being examined and that he would report on it at the next meeting.* The trustees expressed some concerns related to the lack of sufficient data and gap in financial aid and how the University ranks compared to similar institutions with respect to the proposed nine (9) percent tuition increase. *Dr. Robertson assured the Board that he would provide this data to trustees.*

#### Action Items

##### Tuition Increase

**Trustee Reynolds recommended to the full Board that a nine (9) percent increase in basic tuition and a four percent increase in tuition be imposed on returning students for 2008-2009. Trustee Hill seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:**

Ayes: 6  
Nays: 0

##### Change in Authorized Signature for Banking Documents

**Trustee Hill recommended to the full Board a change in authorized signatures. Trustee Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:**

Ayes: 7  
Nays: 0

##### Revised Charter

*Trustee Reynolds, the new Chairman of the Audit Committee, recommended that this item be postponed for further discussion at the November 2007 Audit Committee Meeting.*

##### Academic and Student Affairs

### Katrina Student Update

Provost Westbrook provided an update on the Katrina students. She informed the trustees that of the original 81 students who enrolled at the University, 12 remain enrolled at the University. Ten undergraduates and two graduate students with grade point averages ranging from 2.2 to 3.87 G.P.A. are enrolled.

### West Side Campus Update

Provost Westbrook informed trustees that a committee comprising of various constituents, legislators, Malcolm X College, and the University's administrators and faculty have been meeting to identify the appropriate academic program offerings for the proposed westside campus. The western suburbs are now under consideration. Dr. Westbrook noted that this initiative would not take away resources from the south side CSU campus. Two thousand students are expected to be enrolled at the proposed westside campus. A 2 + 2 Initiative is being explored with Malcolm X College. The expected capital outlays of this campus are approximately \$22 million. This initiative was the recommendation of the Governor. A feasibility study has been conducted. *Trustees recommended that before moving forward, an independent marketing study be commissioned regarding this initiative to ensure that there is a need for the proposed campus.*

### Enrollment and Admissions Update

Provost Westbrook reiterated the change in admissions requirements. Students must now have an ACT of 18 and a 2.5 G.P.A. for admission. The total enrollment for the campus is 6,548; 4,775 undergraduates; 1,740 graduates; and 33 others. Graduate student enrollment has experienced a decline in students. Initiatives are underway to attract more students, e.g. brochures, Homeland Security and Bio-Terrorism certificate programs.

### Accreditation Updates

Provost Westbrook reported that: A continuing accreditation site visit for the Social Work program was held; the Library and Media Studies program has received pre-candidacy; the Pharmacy proposal for pre-candidacy was submitted to the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE); and the Nursing Program pass rate exceeded the nation average. Ninety-six percent of our students passed the Nursing examination, while only 89 percent passed statewide and 88 percent nationally. *Trustee Reynolds requested that graduates names be provided to him so that he could follow-up with the University of Chicago.*

### Action Items

#### Honorary Degree Candidates

**Trustee Montes recommended to the full Board that Dr. Margaret Burroughs and Mr. Joseph Stroud be conferred Honorary Degrees from Chicago State University. Trustee Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:**

**Ayes:           7**  
**Nays:           0**

### Tenure Recommendations

Trustee Montes recommended to the Board that the following nine faculty members and three administrators be granted tenure. Trustee Finney seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:

**Leslie Baker-Kimmons  
Liyana M. Chandrassena Cabraal  
Ernest Coupet  
Michael Edwards  
Joyce Gana  
Daniel J. Hrozencik  
Thomas Kenemore  
Nicole Strange  
Haralambos Vavilis  
Rachelle Steward  
Elmer Gentry  
Mario Beatty**

**Ayes:           6  
Nays:           0**

**The two denials were deferred following Executive Session.**

#### Sponsored Programs

Dr. Kenneth Koroma reported that the total amount of state and national external funding acquired by faculty, administrators, and staff members was \$33 million for the 2006-2007 Fiscal Year. A written report was submitted.

#### Institutional Advancement and Foundation

Mr. Marquis Miller provided highlights of philanthropic activities. He informed the trustees that Mr. Joseph Stroud is assisting with securing the Gwendolyn Brooks archives. An anonymous \$500,000 gift has been received. The Kellogg Foundation awarded \$400,000 to the University. Ms. Margaret Burrough donated a gift of \$10,000 for scholarship support to the University. Trustee Richard Tolliver donated \$12,000 for scholarships. Mr. Miller also informed the trustees that the Annual Awards Dinner will be held on September 20, 2007, in the Emil and Patricia A. Jones Convocation Center. Five new board members have been added to the Foundation. The Campus Life publication is being finalized.

#### Information Technology Update

Ms. Diane Conatser informed the trustees that the I-Wire dollars were being reappropriated to the University. She also indicated that wireless internet access is available in some buildings. On June 25, the Disaster Recovery Initiative is being tested. Chief Shaw reported that the University has a disaster plan to address crises similar to the Virginia Tech melee, e.g. text messages, intercom alert systems in all buildings, and security cameras throughout campus.

#### Other Matters

There were no public or employee comments presented.

#### Adjournment

The Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.