

Chicago State University Board of Trustees Special Committee of the Whole Meeting
February 20, 2008
Academic Library – Auditorium Fourth Floor

10:35 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.

Board Members Present

Rev. Richard L. Tolliver, Ph.d. Chairman
Trustee Rev. Leon Finney, Jr., Ph.d.
Trustee Betsy Hill
Trustee James Reynolds

Others Present

Attorney Mark Dunn, Board Counsel
Attorney Nancy Hall-Walker, Vice President for Labor and Legal Affairs
Dr. Erma Brooks Williams, Board Staff

Chairman Reverend Richard Tolliver called the meeting to order. Dr. Erma Brooks verified that the meeting notice had been posted as mandated by the Illinois Open Meetings Act. A quorum was verified.

Rev. Dr. Tolliver indicated that the purpose of the meeting is to begin the search process for the presidential selection and stated the University was embarking on some exciting times in setting the direction for the future. He thanked outgoing President Elnora D. Daniel for her services.

He stated that the ultimate decision of hiring a new president is the Board's responsibility. There will be input from the stakeholders. The process will be transparent; however, confidentiality will be adhered to.

Attorney Mark Dunn shared copies of the memorandum on the search procedures, the Illinois Open Meetings Act, and the Illinois Procurement Code. He provided a brief overview of the definition of the Open Meetings Act related to a quorum. However, in the case of a Special Presidential Search Committee, a quorum of less than the requirement of the law is permissible. Three members can make up a legal quorum. *At the March 5, 2008 meeting, the approval of The Special Presidential Search Committee should be placed on the agenda.*

Attorney Dunn also informed the Trustees that the Illinois Procurement Code must be adhered to relative to hiring a search consultant. Attorney Hall Walker will bid out this process.

Executive Session

The Board moved into Executive Session at 10:58 a.m. pursuant to the provisions of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

Open Session/Adjournment

The Board reconvened into regular session at 11:50 a.m. and adjourned at 11:55 a.m.