

MINUTES
SOUTHWEST BAPTIST UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Tuesday, October 21, 2008

OPENING SESSION

Chair Don Fahrni called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. and asked for prayer requests. Larry Payton led in prayer. Chair Fahrni introduced Gordon Dutile, provost, who presented the devotion.

Secretary Mark Houston called roll. Trustees in attendance were Clarence Barber, Bill Bolerjack, Gary Brown, Marcy Carter, Syndee Chase, Clyde Elder, Chair Don Fahrni, Phil Franz, Gary Gilmore, Berniece Hamilton, Rick Hedger, Secretary Mark Houston, Wayne Hutchins, Gary Longenecker, Larry Payton, Vice Chair Mark Rains, Rebecca Randles, Gary Urich, and Jerry Williams.

Trustees Wayne Gott, Mike Green, Bob Killian, David Mason and Cary Summers were unable to attend.

Faculty and staff in attendance were Allison Blamey, Bill Brown, Darren Crowder, Tim DeClue, Ashley Dinwiddie, Gordon Dutile, Bob Glidwell, Brent Good, Rob Harris, Greg Lober, Ron Maupin, Bob McGlasson, Stephanie Miller, Stan Norman, Cindy Rice, Kevin Schriver, Sharina Smith, Holly Stockard, Shawn Summers, President Pat Taylor, Ed Walton, Steve Whisler, David Whitlock, Jennifer Wilson, and Linda Wooderson.

Guests in attendance were Charlotte Marsh, reporter for the Bolivar Herald Free Press, Jennifer Harris, reporter for the Word and Way, Allen Palmeri, reporter for the Pathway, and student Becca Jarred, SGA vice president.

Chair Fahrni called for a motion to approve the minutes from the May 6, 2008 Board meeting. Longenecker made a motion, Hedger seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Faculty Senate president, Tim DeClue, gave a report on the work of Faculty Senate this year.

Taylor delivered the State of the University address.

At 10:02 a.m. the meeting recessed for a trustee group photo, standing committee meetings and the trustee luncheon.

BUSINESS SESSION

At 2:10 p.m. the Board meeting resumed.

Executive Committee

Chair Fahrni did not have any executive committee items to present. Chair Fahrni introduced Kim Hamm with BKD who presented the 2007-2008 audit findings.

Admissions and Student Life Committee

Committee Chair Rebecca Randles delivered the report. No action items to discuss. Enrollment is very good, and along with record student housing numbers, the need for facilities, faculty, dorms, and admissions standards will need to be discussed. The missions department is sending 326

students abroad during 2009. The Information Technology department is currently working on the Colleague Advancement program, a new system for tracking donor relationships. The athletics department has done well in improving the student-athlete graduation rate, and community and alumni involvement.

Buildings and Grounds Committee

Committee Chair Phil Franz delivered the report. Franz reported that the total budget for capital improvement projects has increased by \$170,000. The price of electricity continues to increase. During the past thirteen years, the physical plant has completed 67,029 work orders. They have completed 4,128 work orders this year. The physical plant employees are completing more work themselves rather than contracting work orders off campus.

Educational Policies and Personnel Committee

Committee Chair Clyde Elder delivered the report. Elder welcomed two new deans (Dr. Perry Tompkins and Dr. Carole Eldridge), and congratulated Dr. David Whitlock on his appointment as president of Oklahoma Baptist University. Elder presented the action item to name Dr. Gordon Dutile as Provost Emeritus. The resolution passed unanimously. Elder presented the action item to name the honors program after Gordon and Judy Dutile. The resolution passed unanimously.

Finance Committee

Committee Vice Chair Clarence Barber delivered the report. Barber presented the action item for adoption of the revised FY 2008-09 budget. The resolution passed unanimously. Barber presented the action item to accept the FY 2007-08 audit. The resolution passed unanimously. The remaining two Finance Committee action items will be discussed and voted on during Executive Session.

University Advancement and Estate Planning Committee

Committee Vice Chair Wayne Hutchins delivered the report. Hutchins commended the University Relations staff. The three action items will be discussed and voted on during Executive Session.

Other Business

Chair Fahrni presented the Nominating Committee report that was previously mailed to the trustees. Berniece Hamilton made a motion to accept the election of officers, and committee chairs and vice chairs (see Nominating Committee report), Gary Longenecker seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Taylor recognized the three trustees rotating off the board: Phil Franz, Wayne Gott, and Gary Gilmore. He presented each of them with a certificate and thanked them for their service.

At 2:40 p.m. the business session adjourned and executive session commenced.

Minutes submitted by Ashley Dinwiddie

Mark Houston, Secretary
Southwest Baptist University Board of Trustees

Date