# BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MAY 6, 2005

#### Agenda Item I—Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Vice Chairman, Joe L. Reed.

## Agenda Item II—Invocation

The invocation was given by Dr. Leon Frazier, Vice President for Administrative Services.

## Agenda Item III—Swearing In of Trustees Marvin Wiggins and Herbert Young

Judge Marvin Wiggins, a newly appointed member of the Board was sworn in by Attorney Solomon S. Seay, Jr. Mr. Herbert Young, a newly appointed member of the Board was sworn in by Attorney Stanley Gray.

#### Agenda Item IV—Establishment of Quorum

Trustees in attendance were James C. Cox, Oscar Crawley, Buford Crutcher, Elton Dean, Thomas H. Figures, Patsy B. Parker (who arrived at the meeting at 10:15 a.m.), Joe L. Reed, Marvin Wiggins, Catherine W. Wright and Herbert Young. Absent were Trustees Bobby M. Junkins and Lawrence J. Lemax. Vice Chairman Reed declared a quorum present.

Vice Chairman Reed asked that adoption of the agenda be the next item for action, and he put the motion before the Board. Trustee Crutcher asked that the agenda be amended to move Item XII—(Election of Officers) to become Item V—(Adoption of Minutes of February 4, 2005). Trustee Crawley seconded. Vice Chairman Reed asked Trustee Wright to briefly preside so that he could make comments against the proposed amendment. Following his comments, he asked that the agenda be adopted as presented. Trustee Crutcher called for a vote on the motion. Vice Chairman Reed put the question before the Board. Trustee Wright raised point of discussion regarding action items. Vice Chairman Reed called for the vote. The motion to amend the agenda was carried by majority vote. Voting aye were Trustees Crawley, Crutcher, Dean, Wiggins, Wright and Young. Voting nay were Trustees Cox, Figures and Reed.

There being no other amendments to the agenda, Vice Chairman Reed called for the vote to adopt the agenda. The agenda was adopted by voice vote as amended.

#### Agenda Item XII—Election of Officers

Vice Chairman Reed informed the Board that four individuals, a chair, a vice chair, and two at-large members to the Executive Committee, had to be elected. He noted that according to the *Bylaws*, the terms of office are two years and the election is to be done by secret ballot. Ballots were distributed and Vice Chairman Reed called for nominations for the position of Chairman of the Board. Trustee Crutcher nominated Trustee Elton Dean. There were no other nominations and Trustee Dean was declared Chairman of the Board.

Vice Chairman Reed called for nominations for the position of Vice Chairman of the Board. Trustee Crawley nominated Trustee Catherine Wright. Trustee Figures nominated Trustee Joe L. Reed. There were no other nominations and the Trustees were asked to cast their votes. President Lee, Secretary to the Board, counted the ballots and reported that Trustee Wright received six votes and Trustee Reed received three votes. Trustee Wright was declared Vice Chairman of the Board.

Trustee Reed asked Chairman Dean to assume the gavel. Chairman Dean thanked the Board for their confidence, made comments regarding the challenges for the Board and asked for the cooperation of everyone in the room.

Chairman Dean called for nominations of two at-large members for the Executive Committee to be elected by secret ballot. Trustee Wiggins nominated Trustee Bobby Junkins. Trustee Cox nominated Trustee Joe L. Reed. Chairman Dean asked that ballots be cast. President Lee, Secretary to the Board, counted the ballots and reported that Trustee Junkins received six votes and Trustee Reed received three votes. Chairman Dean declared that Trustee Junkins would serve as an at-large member. Trustee Crutcher nominated Trustee Oscar Crawley. Trustee Reed declined his nomination made by Trustee Figures, with thanks. There were no other nominations and Chairman Dean declared that Trustee Crawley would be the other at-large member of the Executive Committee.

## Agenda Item V—Adoption of Minutes of February 4, 2005

Chairman Dean called for adoption of the minutes of the February 4, 2005 meeting. Trustee Wright moved that the minutes be adopted. Trustee Wiggins seconded. On call for discussion, Trustee Figures stated that the minutes of October 14, 2004 and November 29, 2004 have never been adopted, according to his records. Trustee Crutcher moved and Trustee Crawley seconded that the Trustees be given the opportunity to review those minutes, previously sent to them, for adoption at the next meeting. The motion was carried.

#### Agenda Item VI—President's Report

President Lee congratulated the new Board officers and made his report which included information regarding the visit from members of the Scottish Parliament, the recent award received from the National Science Foundation to help improve ASU's work in science and mathematics, a grant received from the State of Alabama for a Principals Institute that has been initiated at Southern Normal, a grant to increase the University's Reading First Teacher Education Network, the new police cars that were purchased, construction of the expanded parking lot near the Acadome, bids requested for the new education facility and the forensic science facility which came back over the budget, the awarding of the contract to lowest bidder for construction of the Fred Suttlesworth Dining Hall and the groundbreaking ceremony for that facility which will be held today. President Lee noted that recommendations from the Residential Life Task Force will be ready for presentation to the Board in the next few weeks, and the resignation of Coach Rob Spivery, who will be going to Southern University.

Questions/answers and discussion followed the President's Report.

President Lee introduced the 2005-2006 Student Government Association officers.

## Agenda Item VII—Reports

A. There was no report from the Academic Affairs Committee.

- B. There was no report from the Executive Committee.
- C. There was no report from the Finance and Property Committee.
- D. There was no report from the Student Affairs Committee.

## Agenda Item VIII—Executive Session

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss the good name and character of individuals and legal matters at 10:35 a.m.

#### Agenda Item IX—Report from Executive Session

The Board reconvened in open session at 12:35 p.m. Trustee Reed was called on by Chairman Dean to give the report from the special committee. Trustee Reed reported that the committee dealt with the issue of the President's contract; that based on discussion with the committee and with Trustees in the Executive Session, in the proposed contract where the term "April" appears the word "annual" should be substituted, and where the term "one" appears, the word "two" should be substituted. Trustee Reed moved that the changes, which were made, be adopted. The motion was seconded by Trustee Parker. On call for the vote by Chairman Dean, the motion was carried unanimously.

## Agenda Item X—Informational Items

Chairman Dean called for reports from the Faculty Senate, Non-Academic Staff Council and Student Government Association.

A. The Faculty Senate Report was made by Ms. Michelle Dacus, the Faculty Senate Chair. She distributed a written copy to all Trustees.

B. The Non-Academic Staff Council Report was made by Mrs. Jessica Darrington, Chair of the Council. She distributed a written copy to all Trustees.

C. There was no report from the Student Government Association.

It was noted that by Board policy, reports are to be sent to the President to be submitted to the Trustees ten days prior to Board meetings.

#### **Agenda Item XI—Personnel Actions**

President Lee indicated that the Personnel Actions were submitted to the Board prior to the meeting and he recommended Board approval on the Personnel Actions. On motion by Trustee Wright, second by Trustee Figures, the President's recommendations were adopted by unanimous vote.

#### Agenda Item XIII—Other Business

There was no other business to come before the Board.

#### Agenda Item XIV—Adjournment

On motion by Trustee Wiggins, second by Trustee Crutcher and carried by unanimous vote, the Board recessed until call of the chair to take up the matter of committee appointments.

Joe A. Alee, President of the University and Secretary to the Board

APPROVED

Elton Dean, Chairman Board of Trustees

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY REGULAR MEETING BOARD ROOM—JOE L. REED ACADOME May 6,2005 9:30 a.m.

# AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Invocation
- III. Swearing In of Trustees Marvin Wiggins and Herbert Young
- IV. Establishment of Quorum
- V. Adoption of Minutes of February 4, 2005
- VI. President's Report
- VII. Reports
  - A. Academic Affairs Committee
  - B. Executive Committee
  - C. Finance and Properties Committee
  - D. Student Affairs Committee
- VIII. Executive Session
- IX. Report from Executive Session
- X. Informational Items
  - A. Faculty Senate
  - B. Non-Academic Staff Council
  - C. Student Government Association
- XI. Personnel Actions
  - A. Recommendations for Promotions in Academic Rank

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