CALL TO ORDER / OPEN SESSION:

Acting Chairman John H. Corbitt presided and called the meeting to order at 10:10 A.M. The public notice was read and the roll was called.

Trustees present: Acting Chairman John H. Corbitt, Trustees Mrs. Linda Edwards Duncan, Mr. Anthony Grant, Dr. Gail Joyner-Fleming, Ms. Patricia B. Lott, Mr. Jonathan N. Pinson, Dr. Walter Tobin and Mr. Robert Waldrep.

Trustees absent: Secretary Robert Nance and Mr. Maurice Washington.

Administrators present: Executive Director to the Board Ms. Joyce Green, Director of Public Relations Mrs. Erica Taylor, Administrative Assistant to the Board and Recorder Mrs. Eartha Mosley

Media: The Times and Democrat Reporter Mrs. Dale Linder-Altman

EXECUTIVE / CLOSED SESSION:

Trustee Patricia Lott motioned that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues, seconded by Trustee Linda Edward Duncan. Vote: unanimously approved.

Mrs. Linder-Altman asked what personnel matter would be considered during the meeting and if Dr. Warrick would be under discussion?

The Boardroom was cleared and the Board went into Executive Session.

OPEN SESSION RECONVENED:

Chairman Corbitt indicated that while the Board was in Executive Session no decisions were made and no votes were taken. He called for a motion to go into executive session to discuss the path forward for the new president and to invite Dr. Warrick to attend the meeting in executive session.

Trustee Grant motioned that in addition to planning to meet next week with the president about her plan. The Board wants to make certain they provided clarity and clarification for the plans and directions given to her so when the board receives it, it can all be incorporated. Trustee Waldrep seconded the motion.
Trustee Waldrep expressed concerns that information requested by the media meets and satisfies the rules of Freedom of Information Act. He is hoping it is but not quite sure about it or the flexible of the language.

Trustee Waldrep asked if everyone seen Dr. Warrick’s plan and has the Board devised a plan? Trustee Grant stated that it is his understanding the plan will be submitted next and that it would be shared with the Board. Trustee Grant added the purpose for this meeting is to discuss things, and to fine tune and to incorporate in her plan, things that the Board would like to see.

Trustee Corbitt stated that only two people have commitments at this point, VP for Academic Affairs and Associate VP for Finance. Others have been interviewed, but there have been no other commitments, other than those two. The Board will receive the full plan and vision of the interim president on the 7th of August. He stated that “she was promised thirty days, she’s working on her report; it’s not completed still interviewing people for positions”.

Trustee Waldrep mentioned it would nice to receive the information prior to the meeting on August 27th possibly 24 hours before the meeting would be helpful. Trustee Corbitt stated that is being worked on. The Board would be given an advanced heads up on that matter. Trustees attending the meeting on the 7th would be aware of what is going on. He added “she is working on her vision. Dr. Warrick is working to following the guidelines set forth by the Board of Trustees”.

Trustee Grant indicated that Trustee Waldrep’s point and the point of the representative from the T&D were well taken. When we go into Executive Session that we make certain we are in compliant to the full extent of the law and that we don’t give the impression that we’re trying to be nebulous and some meetings that are not quite defined in terms of the purpose. The Board would make certain to provide information and in compliance.

Trustee Corbitt indicated that he has encouraged Dr. Warrick to read the Board’s bylaws, the constitution, with emphasis on the duties of Board of Trustees, duties and responsibilities of the trustees updated July 2011, and the fifteen responsibilities of the President. He considers the bylaws as a serious matter.

There was dialogue on the term “consulting”. Trustee Grant stated consult means to consult it’s more than just sending a resume; receiving feedback and consensus before any hiring is made. Trustee Corbitt stated the point was well taken if that is what the Board wants a meeting or written response, Dr. Warrick would be informed.

Trustee Lott stated that she discussed her concerns with the chairman and followed protocol by speaking with the chairman on more than one occasion about her concerns, she asked for a meeting to be called; however, as a member of the Board she does not speak for the Board. Trustee Grant called the chairman with concerns as well.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

*Trustee Robert Waldrep moved, seconded by Trustee Anthony Grant to close the meeting. Vote: unanimously approved.*

The meeting adjourned at 10:46A.M.
Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Nance
Secretary of the Board of Trustees

Eartha Mosley
Recorder