

## Town Meeting Highlights:

### Spring Break

President Saunders announced – twice, for more applause, and clarity – that Southern Miss will be closed the week of Spring Break. The clarity was needed because the second pass at this Saunders said closed “with pay”. Thunderous applause. It is a cost savings; indeed, so how about starting two or three weeks later in August when electricity costs are at the highest point, reduce the semester by a week (like Ole Miss and State), and end about the same time? How much money would that save? It would save a lot more than a mild week in March. This is clearly a morale booster and it is very much needed, and very well received. Staff is excited and that is a positive move; what about the faculty?