



Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 16, 2007 - 9 AM
Treasure Coast Campus
500 NW California Boulevard, Bldg E-Rm 114
Port St. Lucie, FL 34986

Chairman Norman Tripp convened the meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees (BOT) at 9:10 a.m. with the following members participating:

Scott Adams, Nancy Blosser, Bill Bryant, Armand Grossman, Rajendra Gupta, Lalita Janke, Sherry Plymale, Eric Shaw, Bob Stilley, and Tony Teixeira. Trustee David Feder participated via telephone conference.

Absent: Trustee George Zoley

The following University officials participated:

Frank T. Brogan, President; John Pritchett, Provost; Ken Jessell, Vice President for Financial Affairs; Jennifer O'Flannery, Chief of Staff; David Kian, General Counsel; Tom Donaudy, Vice President for Facilities; Joyanne Stephens, Vice President of Broward Campuses.

I. Call to Order

Chairman Norman Tripp convened the Full Board Meeting at 9:10 a.m.

II. Approval of the meeting minutes.

There was a motion to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2007 Board Meeting. **The motion was seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

III. Chairman's Report

Trustee Norman Tripp presented the Chairman's Report. Trustee Tripp thanked Ms. Gerri McPherson and staff for the hospitality displayed at the Treasure Coast Campus. He introduced the two new trustees, Dr. Eric Shaw, Faculty Senate President and Tony Teixeira, Student Government President.

XI. 2007 Legislative Outcome

Trustee Tripp introduced Mr. Tom Barlow to give the 2007 Legislative Review. Mr. Barlow introduced David and Candice Ericson, FAU's political consultants. FAU has accomplished three things this legislative session. FAU was successful in acquiring funding for enrollment growth and PECO projects. FAU has developed a relationship with core of people to assist with legislative issues. FAU's legislative goals were to acquire funding for programs, increase FAU's visibility, and developing relationships with people who are pre-disposed to help with FAU's issues.

Mr. Barlow reviewed the FAU Budget Items. FAU's number one priority was to get funding for FAU's regional medical partnership with University of Miami Miller School of Medicine. Last year non recurring funding was allocated to FAU. This year it was a concern that FAU receive recurring money. There was talk in the Senate of FAU not receiving recurring funding because of the tight budget year. The Board of Trustees (BOT) visit to Tallahassee and meetings with the representatives made such an impact that recurring funding for medical partnership program with UMMSM and FAU was approved. Trustee Tripp commended Mr. Barlow for his efforts in acquiring funding for the medical funding. The second issue was Harbor Branch Oceanographic

moratorium on any further naming until the legislation is finalized. The motion was seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Barlow continued the discussion noting the passing of the Governance Bill. The Governance Bill is to delineate the responsibilities of the Board of Governors (BOG) and the BOT. Trustee Plymale asked if there was a summary of the Governance Bill available. President Brogan commented that FAU's General Counsel, Mr. David Kian met with the other universities' general counsels and the general counsel from the BOG to do a comparative side by side breakdown of the current and past responsibilities of the BOG and BOT. Once the study is complete it will be distributed to the BOT.

Mr. Barlow discussed the Academic Enhancement Bill. The Academic Enhancement Bill started with the University of Florida (UF) wanting to charge \$1000 fee to its students. The bill was modified to allow UF and Florida State University (FSU) to increase tuition by forty percent over a four-year period and the University of South Florida (USF) to increase tuition by thirty percent over four years. The qualifying criterion is based on how much academic research is done each year by the university. The Governor was not in support of the bill when it included only UF. President Brogan stated that FSU and UF would defer the increase until next year, if the governor signed the bill into a law. Trustee Plymale asked if the universities in the SUS were to stand together regarding the bill. President Brogan stated that the Academic Enhancement

in UCF. The administration at FAU would have to look at whether that is something that can be done in FAU's service area. President Brogan that stated that although there is no agreement in place with area community colleges of guaranteed acceptance, the majority of students attending FAU are transfer from the area community colleges. Trustee Bill Bryant asked how long it will take the community colleges to get their programs accredited. President Brogan explained that there are two levels of accreditation, the accreditation through SACCS and the individual college accreditation. The community colleges plan to use different internal accreditation organizations. Because of this there must be some form of articulation agreement between the community colleges and the universities to assist the transfer students.

Mr. Barlow concluded by thanking the BOT for allowing him to represent FAU at the legislature. Trustee Tripp introduced Dave and Candice Erics. Mr. Erics thanked the BOT for allowing him and his daughter to serve FAU.

Trustee Tripp continued with the Chairman's report. He mentioned that President Brogan and Jennifer O'Flannery attended a symposium that was put on by the Askew Center of Public Policy in Tallahassee. The meeting showed that there was not a clear direction of where universities are going for the next twenty years. The Florida Atlantic University Foundation elected its new chairman, Mr. Les Corley. Trustee Tripp thanked Dr. Ken Jessell for serving as the Interim Vice President for University Advancement. Budget workshop dates will be sent out once they are finalized. Trustee Tripp stressed the importance for all trustees to attend.

IV. Welcome

Trustee Tripp introduced Ms. Gerri McPherson the Vice President of the Treasure Coast (Dr. 5

Lucie/Okeechobee Counties, and Indian River County. Ms. McPherson discussed the advertisements of the Treasure Coast Campuses. She distributed mailers that advertised the summer session programs being offered on the Treasure Coast Campuses. There were personalized cards sent out to graduates of IRCC to bring to registrars office for them to get information on transferring to FAU. Ms. McPherson discussed the upcoming events for the Treasure Coast Campuses:

- May 17 – Corporate Partnership Meeting
- May 18 – AIT Alumni Event
- May 19 – Transfer Expo
- May 29 – Advisory Board Meeting
- May 29 – Martin County Alumni Event
- June 26 – President Brogan’s Hometown Tour with Port St. Lucie County Commission
- August 2 – FAU Radio Show with President Brogan
- August 2 – Phase II Groundbreaking
- August 30 – Campus Classroom visit with President Brogan
Welcome Back Luncheon
Share the Vision

Ms. McPherson introduced Mr. Paul Lowe, the Governor of the Treasure Coast Campuses. Mr. Lowe welcomed the BOT to the Treasure Coast Campus and offered a tour of the campus. Trustee Tripp commended Ms. McPherson for the hard-work and changes made to the campus.

VII. Innovation Village Update

Trustee Tripp introduced Mr. David Kian to give the Innovation Village update. In November 2006 the BOT held a workshop on Innovation Village. As a result of that workshop the BOT approved the concept of Innovation Village. The concept includes an expansion of campus housing, associated support retail, development of workforce housing, and the development of an open-air athletic stadium with the potential of being converted into a domed stadium or stand-alone athletics events arena. The BOT authorized the administration to develop a plan for the implementation of the Innovation Village project. The BOT asked the administration to do two things; each component of the innovation village be brought through the committee processes to the full BOT for approval and the administration provide an independent financial advisor that is not apart of the KUD team to provide an assessment to the BOT. The administration began developing plans for suites housing on the north side of campus that would attract older students and compete with the area rental market. The administration is doing preliminary work in identifying workforce housing developments. As the plans for on-campus housing was coming into finalization, the administration and KUD identified significant financial commitments that needed to be completed to allow for the

BOT with Mr. Kian. Mr. Dunlop will be reviewing and advising on the financial package for Innovation Village. Trustee Tripp noted that Mr. Dunlop is to use his experience to inform the BOT on how the Innovation

comprised of faculty from HBOI and the FAU College of Science that develop curricula report to the Provost's office at FAU and Dr. Pomponi. HBOI established a successful semester by the sea program. HBOI has worked closely with the Office of Vice President of Research and the Centers of Excellence in biomedical research. HBOI works with the College of Engineering in the SeaTech program. The acquisition of HBOI has been a strategic initiative for HBOI and FAU. HBOI will strengthen FAU's commitment to research and its ability to address issues that fall along improving the quality of life for the citizens of Florida. The HBOI staff will meet with FAU's administration to discuss the transition. Dr. Pomponi acknowledged the entire delegation in the legislation particularly Senator Pruitt. She also acknowledged FAU staff of Dr. Pritchett, Dr. Jessell, Dr. Kaufman, Mr. Donaudy and their staff for their hard work attributing to the success in the legislation. Dr. Pomponi acknowledged the staff of HBOI, Patrick Boles, Pete Tatrow, Julie Pattengil, Vincent Burk, and Dr. Dennis Hanisak for their hard work and diligence. The partnership is a new opportunity for HBOI and the staff is looking forward to the partnership. Trustee Tripp acknowledged that this was a great investment of the legislature. Trustee Tripp presented Dr. Pomponi with an FAU Pin.

V. Committee on Academic and Student Affairs

Trustee Armand Grossman acknowledged Ms. McPherson and welcomed the new trustees to the BOT. Trustee Grossman reported that there are three items to come before the BOT for approval. Due to the excellent attendance at the April 25, 2007 committee, this item was fully vetted. Provided there were no questions or

IX. Federal Research Overview Agenda

Trustee Blosser introduced Dr. Larry Lemanski to discuss the Federal Research Overview Agenda. President Brogan stated that he traveled to Washington, DC with Dr. Lemanski, Ms. Camille Coley, and Dr. Jennifer O’Flannery meeting with members of the House of Representatives and the Senate on the federal earmark projects. FAU has an outstanding reputation regarding earmark projects in Washington.

Dr. Lemanski defined a Congressional earmark as a specific project that legislators put it into law. The projects to be funded are selected through an internal process at FAU. Individual departments submit applications to the Division of Research to be vetted working with the President, Provost, the College Deans, and the Lobbyist to determine possible earmarks. Forty-two proposals were received and consolidated to sixteen proposals. Eight of the sixteen projects were submitted by FAU for support by the Florida Congressional Delegation. Because the earmarks this year have not been provided some of the agencies have excess money in their budgets. The agencies have begun to send out RFPs to distribute funding and FAU will be a part of that process. Dr. Lemanski reviewed the eight earmarks being supported by FAU:

- Bioinformatics Research Consortium \$8,000,000
- Center for Advanced Transportation and Infrastructure Safety and Security \$6,000,000
- Durability of Composite Materials and Structures \$2,000,000
- Center of Excellence in Ocean Energy Research and Development \$12,000,000
- Florida Initiative for the Advancement of Teaching \$3,000,000
- Diversity and Alzheimer’s Disease (AD):
A Model for the Care of Minority and Disadvantaged Older Adults at Risk for AD and Related Dementias \$2,000,000
- Florida Area Coastal Environmental Initiative \$3,600,000
- Center for Caring to Reduce Health Disparities \$1,500,000

Dr. Lemanski thanked the BOT for allowing him to present the Federal Research Overview Agenda.

X. Medical Education Partnership Overview and Update

Trustee Tripp introduced Dr. Michael Friedland to present the Medical Education Partnership Overview and Update. FAU has gone from a two-year medical program to a four-year medical focusing on increasing the supply of physicians practicing in Florida in a cost effective manner. Dr. Friedland reviewed the history and milestones of the program of University of Miami Medical School (UMMSM) at FAU. Trustee Tripp asked if FAU has an active role in the program. Dr. Friedland stated that most of the regional campuses’ admission process is a problem. The main campus usually wants to exert control and there is a feeling of un-involvement from the secondary campus. There was an admissions sub-committee created on FAU campus. All of the members of the sub-committee are members of the admissions committee at the University of Miami and are FAU faculty and FAU community based physicians. . Students who applied to FAU or both FAU and UMMSM would be interviewed by the FAU admissions sub-committee. Trustee Tripp asked where most of the applicants coming from. Dr. Friedland stated that most of the applicants were not FAU graduates, but graduates from other Florida universities. Trustee Tripp asked if FAU was working towards a

program where students who met certain undergraduate criteria. Dr. Friedland stated that FAU was working towards a program like that for implementation two to three years in the future. The University of Miami has been very helpful with assisting students with scholarship opportunities. Trustee Tripp asked if Dr. Friedland could send a note to the Dean of the UMMSM with a copy to the BOT, the board's interest in their looking towards establishing a program where FAU undergraduates have automatic admission to it. Dr. Freidland responded that last year the students who applied to FAU and went pre-med had higher GPAs and SAT scores. Trustee Janke asked what the cost was for students who graduate FAU and go on to the UM. Dr. Friedland stated that undergraduate costs at FAU are approximately \$12-15,000 for four years. The University of Miami's tuition is approximately \$120,000 for four years. The University of Miami has been trying not to increase its tuition to meet the state tuition average. The first residency program is expected in 2008 in Palm Beach County. FAU committed to creating approximately 350 new residency training slots in the multi-county area. Trustee Plymale asked if the Boca Raton Community Hospital was a part of this. Dr. Friedland stated that Boca Raton Community Hospital accounted for approximately one-third of the residency.

Bill Nelson spoke at one of the ceremonies. The President's Service Medallion to Senator

changes to be made they will be done quickly. Trustee Plymale thanked Ms. McPherson and her staff for the work in organizing the meeting. She thanked Dr. Lemanski for all his hard work on the Federal Research Overview Agenda, and Senator Pruitt for HBOI. Trustee Stilley thanked all of the trustees. He commended Mr. Tom Barlow for the work he's done in Tallahassee. He sat on a round table in Jupiter with Trustee Plymale and the Chancellor of the BOG. The Chancellor asked if there was a preference of quality or quantity of schools offering bachelors degrees. There will be a struggle with the community colleges on this issue. FAU needs to be focused on the issue as a university group. Trustee Teixeira stated that the research being done at FAU needs to be broadcast to the students. He also felt that the Innovation Village Project needs to move forward.

XVII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.