



I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Brad Levine convened the full board meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees with the following members participating:

Mr. Piero Bussani, Mr. Daniel Cane, Mr. Shaun Davis, Dr. Kimberly Dunn, Mr. Earnie Ellison, Mrs. Barbara Feingold, Mr. Robert Flippo, Mr. Pierce Kennamer, Mrs. Elycia Morris, Mrs. Sherry Murphy, and Mrs. Linda Stoch.

The following university offugS. Roll was taken and a quorum was present.

II. Chairman's Update

Chair Levine opened that the Fall Commencement was another success. There was an honorary doctorate and president's medallions given out. He is starting a chair's medal, where we will be looking for people from a variety of places to expand our footprint. (State of Florida Board of Governors) Chancellor Ray Rodrigues visited FAU a few weeks ago. The university was in Tallahassee last week for FAU Days. We will have more listening sessions for the presidential search. The first sessions are taking place tomorrow.

III. President's Update

President Volnick said that an anti-Semitic group came on campus a couple of weeks ago. Within an hour of finding out, we issued a statement from (President Volnick) to the campus. The statement

was well received. She stated that as the trustees know

that we can create as the board of trustees that we can filter or constrain these discovery requests.

a. SACSCOC Required Board Evaluation Discussion

Mr. Kian presented the item. He noted that at the board retreat last fall they did a self-survey. This is required by the university's accrediting agency. Mr. Kian went through the survey with trustees. He noted that the board is very comfortable with the processes and engagements, but there are areas of improvements. Trustee Levine asked if we are the only university in the state system with a second vice chair. Mr. Kian replied that they checked all the other state universities policies and procedures, and we are the only university with that in place. **Trustee Morris made a motion to wave the requirement of noticing and a second motion to amend the operating procedures to remove the second vice chair position.** Trustee Cane said that the second vice chair position was created before last year's retreat and he was voted as the second vice chair at the retreat. A title he relishes. With this position being a unique one to FAU, he is good with the will of the board. Trustee Ellison noticed it was kind of embarrassing to have this discussion. He said the board made a decision to go down this path and it's too early to make this kind of abrupt decision. We haven't even given it a chance to work. Trustee Dunn asked why this position was created in the first place as she didn't remember. Chair Levine replied to make consistency with the board. With greater scrutiny giving by the governor to the universities, it is better to be in line with the other SUS institutions. Trustee Ellison suggested that since we are going through a strategic cycle, now is the time to look at all of it, not just ad hoc taking away a position. Trustee Feingold disagreed and said we don't want to rock the boat with the board of governors or the legislature. It's not about a person, it's about what were our policies in place and now maybe the change was not the right thing. Trustee Dunn said the faculty noted the reason was about security clearance

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