



Item: AS:1-2

**COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2011**

**SUBJECT: BRAINSTORMING EXERCISE**

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**PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION**

No action required. Information item.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Opportunity for the Committee members to raise issues and interests in the academic and student affairs area in order to develop a workplan and timeline.

**IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE**

N/A

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

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**Presented by: Trustee Plymale, Chair, Committee on Academic and Student Affairs**

## **ACADEMIC and STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Our job is to oversee the academic mission of the university and to mind the welfare, health, and safety of our student body.

Please come to this committee meeting with ideas on:

1. What would you like to know about academics at the university?
2. What do you want to know about our students?
3. Compared to whom?
4. What metrics should we monitor to assess student outcomes?

Suggestions from the Association of Governing Boards for the Academic Affairs Committee are:

1. Ensure that academic programs are consistent with our mission and strategies.
  - a. What are our academic priorities?
  - b. Do we need a specific academic mission? For the committee, the board, the university?

### **Mission**

Florida Atlantic University is a public research university with multiple campuses along the southeast Florida coast serving a uniquely diverse community. It promotes academic and personal development, discovery and lifelong learning. FAU fulfills its mission through excellence and innovation in teaching, outstanding research and creative activities, public engagement and distinctive scientific and cultural alliances, all within an environment that fosters inclusiveness.

## **Vision**

Florida Atlantic University aspires to be recognized as a university of first choice for excellent and accessible undergraduate and graduate education, distinguished for the quality of its programs across multiple campuses, emulated for its collaborations with regional partners and internationally acclaimed for its contributions to creativity and research.

2. Ensure that faculty personnel policies and procedures complement academic priorities.
3. Ensure that the institution assesses the effectiveness of its academic programs.
4. Ensure that the institution's academic programs are appropriate for our students.
5. Ensure that the academic budget reflects the institution's academic priorities.