

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 26, 2011 – 10:00 a.m.
Boca Raton Campus – BOT Room
777 Glades Road
Boca Raton, FL 33431

Chairwoman Nancy Blosser convened the full board meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees with the following members participating:

Vice Chair Robert Stilley, Mr. Anthony Barbar, Dr. William Bryant, Mr. David Feder, Dr. Jeffrey Feingold, Mr. Armand Grossman, Dr. Timothy Lenz, Mr. Ayden Maher, Mrs. Sherry Plymale, Mr. Paul Tanner and Mr. Thomas Workman.

The following university officials participate:

Dr. Mary Jane Saunders, University President; Dr. Diane Alperin, Interim University Provost and Chief Academic Officer; Mr. David Kian, Senior Vice President of Strategic Relations & General Counsel; Mr. Dennis Crudele, Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration; Dr. Charles Brown, Senior Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Gitanjali Kaul, Vice President for Strategic Planning & Information Technology and, Mr. Morley Barnett, Inspector General.

# I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairwoman Nancy Blosser convened the full board meeting.

# II. Chair's Report

Trustee Blosser reported that at the Board of Governors (BOG) meeting last week, two appointments to the FAU Board of Trustees were made. The BOG reappointed Mr. Robert Stilley, who was on the FAU board as a gubernatorial appointment and Mr. Paul Tanner, who has experience as a trustee of

a public educational institution, to take the seats held by Dr. William Bryant and Mr. Armand Grossman.

Trustee Blosser took the opportunity to recognize Trustees Bryant and Grossman for their years of service as FAU Trustees, noting that Trustee Bryant was a charter member of the Board, and presented each of them a Board resolution and a plaque acknowledging the Board's appreciation.

Trustee Blosser also welcomed new trustee Mr. Paul Tanner. He comes to FAU from the board of Broward College where he served as a two-term chair.

Trustee Plymale gave a final report on inauguration. FAU received a lot of media attention throughout the week. She mentioned many of the activities that went on. FAU raised over \$70,000 for the inauguration, plus \$60,000 in-kind donations for a total of \$130,000.

Trustee Blosser gave concluding remarks as chair.

# III. President's Report

President Saunders reported good news around the University:

- 1. Student credit hours and headcount are up from last spring.
- 2. FAU Men's Basketball vs. Arkansas-Little Rock was shown on ESPN2.
- 3. University is in its 50<sup>th</sup> year and committees have been established to plan activities to celebrate the anniversary year.
- 4. Five of FAU's graduates have been named outstanding teachers in St. Lucie county.
- 5. FAU has saved over \$12,000 in energy costs by utilizing the solar energy panels on the downtown campus. We have turned those savings into the Sun Fellowship Fund. A scholarship will be awarded to a student from that fund.
- 6. FAU is hosting the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Business Leader of the Year breakfast at the Boca Raton Resort and Club. The honoree is Mike Jackson, Chairman and CEO of AutoNation.
- 7. FAU Libraries has a touring exhibit of John Adams Unbound.
- 8. Nobel Prize winning economist Paul Krugman and Daniel Ellsberg of the Pentagon Papers will be speaking at FAU in February.

- 9. The webcam is up for the new FAU football stadium. We have hired a Associate Athletic Director of Corporate Sales, Director of Ticket Operations, Director of Major Gifts and an Assistant Athletic Director of Premium Sales.
- 10. Information on FAU's Career Development Center and Campus Living activities are being shared with you today as is an updated brochure about premium seating in the new FAU stadium.

### IV. Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the November 10, 2010 and December 15, 2010 meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

# V. Consent Agenda

Chairwoman Blosser stated that all items have been discussed and approved in their respective committees. With no further discussion or amendments, a motion was made and seconded to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

# VI. Action Agenda

Chairwoman Blosser opened the floor to vote on a new chair of the board. Trustee Stilley was nominated. With no other nominations received, a vote was taken to approve Trustee Stilley as chair. The vote passed unanimously.

Chairwoman Blosser opened the floor to vote on a new vice chair of the board. Trustee Barbar was nominated. With no other nominations, a vote was taken to approve Trustee Barbar as vice chair. The vote passed unanimously.

Trustee Stilley gave opening remarks as chair. Trustee Barbar gave opening remarks as vice chair. Chair Stilley presented Trustee Blosser with a resolution acknowledging her service as Chair of the Board. President Saunders presented Trustee Blosser with a framed rendering of the new stadium, signed by President Saunders and Head Coach Howard Schnellenberger. In recognition of her service, Chair Stilley presented her with an engraved glass plaque and crystal gavel.

#### VII. Old Business

Trustee Feingold expressed a desire to recognize former members of the Board and presented several ideas. Trustee Plymale suggested appointing an ad hoc committee to research and discuss various ways to recognize and honor past Board members and recommended that those suggestions be brought to the next BOT retreat for discussion. Chair Stilley entertained other ideas and stated that he would create an ad hoc committee as recommended by Trustee Plymale.

#### **VIII.** New Business

Trustee Blossser suggested moving the March 16<sup>th</sup> BOT meeting to March 10 at Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute (HBOI) in order for the Board to participate in the Edwin A. Link Rededication ceremony. A motion was made and seconded to approve the move of the March 16<sup>th</sup> BOT meeting to March 10 at HBOI. The motion passed unanimously.

## **IX. BOT Member Comments**

Trustee members gave their congratulations to Chair Stilley and their thanks to Trustee Blosser for her years of service as chair.

# X. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

## XI. Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.