

Item: VI. C.

### Monday, June 19, 2023

Subject: Presidential Executive Compensation Analysis and Approval of the Range

of Compensation

#### PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Review the executive compensation analysis and approve the proposed compensation range to be used in negotiating an employment agreement with the final presidential candidate.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Pursuant to the Florida Board of Governors Regulation that governs SUS presidential searches, a university presidential search committee must establish a range of potential compensation for a new president based on an executive compensation analysis that encompasses components such as salary, benefits, bonuses, and all other forms of remuneration, and that takes into consideration compensation paid to the current president, presidents of peer institutions, as well as other relevant factors. The search committee's proposed range must be submitted to the board of trustees for approval and use by the board or its designee in negotiating the employment contract with the final candidate.

In accordance with these requirements, the FAU Presidential Search Committee met on June 14, 2023, and, based on the executive compensation analysis provided, unanimously approved a recommended range of compensation for this Board's review and approval.

#### IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

The compensation range will be used in negotiating the employment contract with the final candidate selected by the FAU Board.

## FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Florida law caps the amount of salary, bonuses, and cash-equivalent compensation that may be paid to state university presidents from public funds. Consistent with the practice

of every other SUS university, the FAU Board has previously requested that the FAU Foundation provide all sums beyond the amount permitted to be paid from public funds. The FAU Foundation's 2023-2024 operating budget anticipates a similar request for the new president in the coming year.

Supporting Documentation: Presidential Executive Compensation Analysis

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# Presidential Salary Comparison



# **Peer and Aspirant Institutions**

Peers	Aspirants
Arizona State University University of Utah Temple University University of Cincinnati-Main Campu Wayne State University University of Houston George Mason University Georgia State University	Florida State University University of Florida Pennsylvania State University Purdue University Rutgers the State University of NJ New Brunswick



## State of Florida Universities

## **State University System**

**University of Florida University of South Florida** Florida State University **University of Central Florida** Florida International University Florida Polytechnic University University of West Florida Florida Gulf Coast University Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University University of North Florida New College of Florida



# **Presidential Compensation Comparison**

	UF	USF	FSU	UCF	FIU	FAU (Former)	
	2023-2028	2022-2025	2021-2026	2020-2025	2022-2025		2021-2022
1. Annual Base Salary	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 655,000	\$ 700,000	\$ 600,000	\$ 650,000	\$	600,000
2. Annual Incentive Bonus Opportunity	\$ 150,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 175,000	\$	120,000
3. Housing Allowance	\$ Provided	\$ 84,000	\$ Provided	\$ Provided	\$ Provided	\$	Provided
4. Car Allowance	\$ -	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,600	\$ 12,500	\$	Provided
5. Annual Supplemental Deferred Compensation or Retirement Supplement	\$ 150,000	\$ 131,000	\$ 175,000	\$ 120,000	\$ 130,000	\$	126,250
6. Annualized Value of Retention Bonus	\$ 200,000	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
Total (1 thru 6)	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,182,000	\$ 1,137,000	\$ 1,032,600	\$ 967,500	\$	846.250

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# **Presidential Compensation Comparison**

	UF	USF	FSU	FAU-High	UCF	FIU	FAU-Low	FAU (Former)
	2023-2028	2022-2025	2021-2026	2023-2028	2020-2025	2022-2025	2023-2028	2021-2022
1. Annual Base Salary	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 655,000	\$ 700,000	\$ 650,000	\$ 600,000	\$ 650,000	\$ 620,000	\$ 600,000
2. Annual Incentive Bonus Opportunity	\$ 150,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 162,500	\$ 300,000	\$ 175,000	\$ 124,000	\$ 120,000
3. Housing Allowance	\$ Provided	\$ 84,000	\$ Provided	\$ Provided	\$ Provided	\$ Provided	\$ Provided	\$ Provided
4. Car Allowance	\$ -	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,600	\$ 12,600	\$ 12,500	\$ 12,000	\$ Provided
5. Annual Supplemental Deferred Compensation or Retirement Supplement	\$ 150,000	\$ 131,000	\$ 175,000	\$ 138,875	\$ 120,000	\$ 130,000	\$ 126,250	\$ 126,250
6. Annualized Value of Retention Bonus	\$ 200,000	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ 80,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,000	\$ -
Total (1 thru 6)	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,182,000	\$ 1,137,000	\$ 1,043,975	\$ 1,032,600	\$ 967,500	\$ 922,250	\$ 846,250



# **Presidential Compensation Comparison**

	FAU-High	FAU-Low				
	2023-2028		2023-2028			
1. Annual Base Salary	\$ 650,000	\$	620,000			
2. Annual Incentive Bonus Opportunity	\$ 162,500	\$	124,000			
3. Housing Allowance	\$ Provided	\$	Provided			
4. Car Allowance	\$ 12,600	\$	12,000			
5. Annual Supplemental Deferred Compensation or Retirement Supplement	\$ 138,875	\$	126,250			
6. Annualized Value of Retention Bonus	\$ 80,000	\$	40,000			
Total (1 thru 6)	\$ 1,043,975	\$	922,250			



## Sources and methodology

## **Data Sources**

- The Chronicle of Higher Education Annual Chief Executive Compensation Survey
- Florida Has A Right To Know State University System Salary Database
- Florida Board of Governors

## Methodology

- In accordance with Florida Board of Governors Regulation 1.002, the Office of Operations, Compliance, and Systems for the Division of Human Resources at Florida International University compiled a report, which R. William Funk & Associates reviewed and deemed appropriate, of the annual base salary, incentive bonus opportunities, housing and car allowances, and other major compensation components for the presidents of the five public universities in Florida with the following characteristics:
  - Doctoral degree-granting
  - Fully accredited college of medicine
  - Enrollment of at least 25,000 students
  - Annual sponsored research awards of at least \$65,000,000
  - Membership in a Power 5 or Group of 5 athletics conference for all sports
- These data were verified and updated by Florida Atlantic University utilizing the sources above, and the recommended range was reviewed and deemed appropriate by AGB Search