



Item: VII.b.

Date: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2019

SUBJECT: APPROVE NAMING OF UNIVERSITY ELEMENTS

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve the naming of a Counseling and Tutoring Office within the Schmidt Family Complex for Academic and Athletic Excellence the "Gentile Family Counseling and Tutoring Office".

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Donation:

Genco Properties, LLC is donating Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for a recognition opportunity by naming a Counseling and Tutoring Office within the Schmidt Family Complex for Academic and Athletic Excellence.

Gift Purpose:

The gift will be used to assist with the planning, financing, constructing, equipping and administering of the Schmidt Family Complex for Academic and Athletic Excellence. In its continued pursuit of excellence, Florida Atlantic University is constructing this complex at the heart of its Boca Raton campus to allow student-athletes to excel in the classroom and on the field, as well as to benefit students in all academic programs.

This initiative exemplifies FAU's drive to enhance its stature and visibility nationally and internationally.

The Schmidt Family Complex for Academic and Athletic Excellence will play a central role to elevate FAU's academic standing and will benefit students in all academic programs, including those not associated with athletic programs.

Donor's Background:

Brothers Anthony, Mario, John, and Frank Gentile are all Florida Atlantic University graduates.

Anthony F. "Tony" Gentile is the president of Ambassador Printing Company in Delray Beach, Florida. He founded the company in 1995. In 2005, Anthony's brother, Mario, joined the company. Anthony earned a bachelor's degree in Finance from Florida Atlantic University in 1989. His wife, Kristen, is an FAU alumna. In 1990, she earned a bachelor's degree in Sociology. The couple resides in Boca Raton.

Mario J. Gentile is vice president for Ambassador Printing Company. He joined the company in 2005. In 1996, he earned a bachelor's degree in Human Resources Management from FAU. Mario's in laws, Larry and Rosalie Blinchikoff, are also alumni of FAU. Mario and his wife Nicole reside in Boca Raton.

John A. Gentile has served as senior account executive for Bankers Mortgage Lending, Inc. since 2011. Prior the Bankers Mortgage, he worked for Hamilton Group Funding and CTX Mortgage. In 1985, John earned a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from FAU. John's daughter is also an FAU alumna. She earned a bachelor's degree in Communication Studies in 2015 and a master's degree in Women's Studies in 2017. John and his wife, Nanette, reside in Boca Raton.

Frank A. Gentile has served as a real estate agent for Mizner Grande Realty since 2001. He earned a bachelor's degree in Marketing from FAU in 1987. Frank resides in Boca Raton.

Genco Properties, LLC was founded in 1998 and is a property management company. The company specializes in nonresidential properties. The Gentiles are managing partners. The brothers are also managing partners of: First Gen Corporation; Genco I95, LLC; Fort Meyers Broadway, LLC; and 1425 NE 5th Avenue, LLC.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Cost of signage and installation - TBD upon completion of construction of the Schmidt Family Complex for Academic and Athletic Excellence

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

Installation of signage: TBD upon completion of construction of the Schmidt Family Complex for Academic and Athletic Excellence

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