



Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 10, 2010 – 10:30 a.m.
Davie Campus – Student Union
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:

Trustees Vice Chair Robert Stilley, Mr. Anthony Barbar, Mr. David Feder, Dr. Jeffrey Feingold, Mr. Armand Grossman, Dr. Rajendra Gupta, Dr. Timothy Lenz, Mr. Ayden Maher, Mr. Robert Rubin, and Mr. Thomas Workman.

The following university officials attended:

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 and Mrs. Aileen Izquierdo, Senior Vice President of Communications and Marketing.

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairwoman Nancy Blosser convened the special full board meeting.

II. Chair's Report

Trustee Blosser reported that the inauguration of President MJ Saunders was a huge success. FAU was able to highlight many faculty, staff and student accomplishments to the community. Dr. Michael Schwartz's speech was a great tribute to President Saunders. FAU was also able to highlight the new Engineering Building, with a luncheon after the installation ceremony. In all, there were 31 events held as part of the inauguration and thanks go out to many people, including

President Saunders, Trustee Plymale and Mary Ann Gosser, co-chairs of the Inauguration Committee; all of the committee chairs; Mary Mertz; Lill Dukate; Rachel Mondesir; Andrew LaPlant; and Deb Brown.

Thanks went to the donors who helped pay for the inauguration. Remaining funds were designated to the Scholarship Challenge started by President Saunders.

III. President's Report

President Saunders thanked Trustee Plymale for coordinating the inauguration. She reported good news around the University:

1. The Scholarship Challenge has raised over \$100,000 in scholarships.
2. FAU recently received a \$5 million bequest and several gifts in the \$100,000 range.
3. Last week, The Incredible Voyage was shown at the Crest Theatre in Delray Beach and raised \$30,000 for turtle research. A walk for the Memory and Wellness Center raised over \$170,000.
4. Kevin Wagner, a professor in the Department of Political Science, has been featured in many media outlets to talk about state and national elections
5. Senior Staff held a retreat about enrollment management to talk about a different size student body.
6. The Board of Governors (BOG) met and discussed the future of branch campuses and who will run them. Florida State University will have a presence in West Palm Beach. That issue will be discussed at the next BOG meeting in January.
7. Native American Heritage Month is going on and FAU has 194 self-identified Native Americans.
8. Division of Student Affairs has reached out to our Veterans and started an organization called Veteran Owls.
9. Minority Access has honored FAU for its diversity. U.S. News has ranked FAU as the 28th most diverse university in the country.
10. FAU opened the new Engineering and Computer Science Building last week. The ribbon cutting event had many community members come out to join the celebration.
11. The Culture and Society Building will be dedicated on November 16.
12. FAU beat Western Kentucky 17-16 last week. Our next game at Lockhart Stadium is against Louisiana-Lafayette this weekend at 7 p.m.

13. The board will be given a report at the next Strategic Planning committee meeting to report on the new stadium.

14. The provost and vice president of research positions have been posted.

IV. Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the July 21, 2010 and October 20, 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. Old Business

There was no old business.

VII. New Business

Chairwoman Blosser discussed the proposed 2011 BOT Calendar. **A motion to approve the proposed 2011 BOT Calendar was made and seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

VIII. BOT Member Comments

Trustee Feingold commended everyone involved, especially President Saunders on a great week of events for the inauguration. Trustee Lenz noted the climate change symposia was well designed. Trustee Mayer noted that thanks to the Inauguration events, FAU homecoming was the most attended in school history. During the Inauguration, Trustee Barbar remembered his graduation ceremony at FAU and how far the school has come.

IX. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

X. Adjournment

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