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Proposed Enrollment Plan

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STRATEGIC PLANNING & ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS JOINT MEETING

February 21, 2007

Subject: FAU Enrollment Projections - Revised

PROPOSED COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Approval of Revised FAU Enrollment Projections for 2007-08

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On June 28, 2006 the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees approved and adopted a multi-year enrollment plan for the university that anticipated growth of 503 additional FTE for the academic year 2007-08 and submitted this plan to the Board of Governors of the State University System for inclusion in the overall university system Legislative Budget Request. Subsequent to the compilation of these plans several universities experienced smaller than anticipated enrollments in the fall 2006 term, including FAU which had a drop in fall enrollment of 1%, after a summer enrollment which had grown 1%. Intensified efforts by the university admissions office and each campus resulted in higher than anticipated spring 2007 enrollments, which increased about 2% over the previous year despite significant downturns in enrollment at each of the major institutions and school districts that primarily provide students directly to FAU. Current estimated university enrollment for 2006-07 is 98.8% of funded levels. The university is striving to achieve a larger share of enrollment from a currently shrinking pool at these institutions. In addition, the latest available state demographic estimates have significantly adjusted public school enrollment projections downward, by 9% in Broward County and 10% in Palm Beach County.

With these realities in mind, the university proposes adjusting the requested enrollment growth for 2007-08 to reflect the current estimated university enrollment. The revised projections are attached.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

The updated enrollment projections will be adopted upon approval by the BOT. The BOG will consider these projections as part of the LBR process.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The University receives enrollment-related funding based upon meeting BOG-approved and legislatively funded enrollment targets.

Supporting Documentation: Presented by: Dr. John Pritchett, Provost

FAU Revised Enrollment Request

Level	Original Request	Estimated Difference from Funded Plan	Modified Request
Lower	148	(88)	60
Upper	259	(122)	137
Grad I	83	(39)	44
Grad II	13	70	83
TOTAL	503	(179)	324