



Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 24, 2015 – 10:00 a.m.
Boca Raton Campus – Administration Building
Dr. Jeffrey P. & Barbara S. Feingold Board of Trustees Room
777 Glades Road, Boca Raton, Florida 33431

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Anthony Barbar convened the full board meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees with the following members participating:

Mr. Michael Cepeda, Dr. Michael Dennis, Dr. Jeffrey Feingold, Mrs. Mary Beth McDonald, Mr. Abdol Moabery, Dr. Ronald Nyhan, Mr. Robert Rubin, Mr. Robert Stilley, Dr. Julius Teske and Mr. Thomas Workman.

The following university officials participated: Dr. John Kelly, University President; Mr. David Kian, VP Legal Affairs and General Counsel; Dr. Gary Perry, University Provost and Chief Academic Officer; Ms. Dorothy Russell, VP Financial Affairs and Chief Financial Officer; Ms. Stacy Volnick, VP Administrative Affairs & Chief Administrative Officer; and Andrew LaPlant, BOT Director and Chief Aide.

Roll was taken and a quorum was present.

II. Chair's Report

Chair Barbar introduced Dr. Michael Dennis, who was appointed to the FAU Board of Trustees. He congratulated Trustees Dr. Feingold and Rubin on their reappointments and thanked the Florida Board of Governors for reappointing him.

FAU shot up the performance-based rankings at the latest Board of Governors meeting. FAU gained 13 points after being the second-to-last the previous year. Chair Hosseini congratulated FAU on their improvement. Chair Barbar thanked everyone involved in helping with the metrics.

The FAU Gala was a tremendous success. The gala celebrated President Kelly's first year. More than \$400,000 went to scholarships.

FAU student Alton Bresky has received the 2015 Citizen's Service Above Self award from the Congressional Medal of Honor society. He is one of three honorees. The award will be held in the Tomb of the Unknown at Arlington National Cemetery. Alton showed great bravery when he dove into the water to save a 92-year-old man who was stuck in his car. Alton then administered CPR to save the man's life. FAU is very proud of his bravery and glad he is a student in the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science.

The FAU baseball and softball teams are both having great teams. Softball is tied for first in Conference USA. Baseball is ranked No. 20 in the nation.

III. President's Report

President Kelly said the Florida Board of Governors was very impressed on FAU's improvement in the performance-funding metrics. He thanked everyone that worked on the metrics.

The strategic plan is ready for approval. If approved later today, the university will be ready to go full speed into making this a top-ranked university in the nation.

IV. Public Comments

No public comments.

V. Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the January 27, 2015 meeting minutes. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.

VI. Consent Agenda

Chairman Barbar stated that all items were discussed and approved unanimously in their respective committee. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs consent agenda. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

VII. New Business

There was no new business.

VIII. Old Business

a. Review and Approval of the Amended Strategic Plan

President Kelly presented the amended strategic plan to the board for approval. He thanked Dr. John Wiesenfeld for his help with framing the structure of the plan and James Capp for attending all the department meetings and putting the plan into a finished document. Dr. Kelly said Florida Board of Governors added the metrics right after he took the job, which helped shape a new strategic plan.

Two documents were presented to the board. One is the original strategic plan presented to the board on February 24, 2015 and the second is a red-line version based on the inputs received from others in and around the university. Dr. Kelly gave a PowerPoint presentation to the board. He went over the goals, pillars and platforms of the plan. He said everyone will have metrics to assess their performance.

Dr. Kelly and Provost Perry went over the changes to the plan. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the Amended Strategic Plan. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

IX. BOT Member Comments

Trustee Nyhan thanked all the faculty and staff for work on the metrics and President Kelly for the new strategic plan. He is excited about the future of FAU. Trustee Cepeda introduced Kathryn Edmunds as the new student government president. She will take over in early May. Trustee Rubin congratulated the president and provost on the plan. Trustee Moabery said the president has been sprinting, not running, since taking over and has exceeded his expectations. He congratulated Stacy

Volnick for a great job on the gala. Trustee Workman added thanks to the faculty and staff for their work on the metrics and the strategic plan. Trustee Stilley noted we now have the substance to get FAU to the next level. He also encouraged everyone to go see the softball team, who is leading the conference. Trustee Feingold welcomed Dr. Dennis to the board. He said he is glad there are measurements for accountability. Trustee Dennis is very impressed with Dr. Kelly. He is honored by being appointed to the board. Trustee Teske was extremely pleased with the turnout at the gala. He is excited that Dr. Kelly has uncovered many of the treasures FAU has to offer. Trustee McDonald appreciates Dr. Kelly's sense of urgency and is very pleased with the plan that was presented.

X. Adjournment

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