



Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 17, 2016 – 10:00 a.m.
Dr. Jeffrey P. & Barbara S. Feingold Board of Trustees Room
777 Glades Road, Boca Raton, FL 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. Anthony Barbar, Mr. Daniel Cane, Dr. Christopher Beetle, Mr. Michael, Mr. Shaun Davis, Mr. Michael Dennis, Dr. Malcolm Dorman, Dr. Jeffrey Feingold, Mrs. Mary Beth McDonald, Mr. Abdol Moabery, Mr. Robert Rubin, Mr. Robert Stilley, 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 Mr. Andrew LaPlant, BOT Director and Chief Aide.

Roll was taken and a quorum was present.

II. Chair's Report

Chair Barbar expressed how happy he was about FAU tying with UCF for #1 school in the State University System's performance metrics. He explained that Senator Negron toured FAU's college of business, and thanked Dean Gropper for organizing the visit. He expressed the meeting went well, and the Senator appreciated his time at FAU. Chair Barbar said how proud he was of all the faculty and students that were a part of the visit.

FAU had 7 commencement ceremonies this past spring. Chair Barbar thanked all the trustees that participated. Chair Barbar said he had the pleasure of giving the BOT service award to Marty Glasser at the honors commencement ceremony in April.

Chair Barbar thanked the board for their support in attending the FAU Gala, saying it was the most successful one to date. The Hall of Fame award was given to Brent Burns, which was followed by a nice event. He expressed there was a good crowd at the event and the alumni office was doing a great job.

Chair Barbar stated that he went to the Association of Governing Boards conference in Washington D.C. with Andrew LaPlant. He said the conference was very worthwhile and interesting.

He concluded his remarks by sharing his gratitude to all the faculty and staff for everything that they do.

III. President's Report

President Kelly began his remarks with a required acknowledgment to the board. He said in accordance with university regulation 5.006, all the tenure procedures were followed in the decisions of promoting 31 faculty members to associate or full time professors. President Kelly thanked and congratulated all the faculty that were promoted and receiving tenure, expressing that they are the heart of the university

President Kelly explained that he doesn't want to see FAU as a onetime visitor on the top of the performance metrics list. President Kelly also explained that Governor Scott believes FAU is doing it right, by producing graduates in high demand areas for jobs. Governor Scott highlighted FAU's accounting program and elementary education, expressing that there is going to be a teacher shortage for public schools. President Kelly also explained that the provost is working on expediting the opportunity for graduates to become teachers in a short period of time.

President Kelly also communicated how he was currently on 2 councils: the council of 100 for Florida, and the executive leadership program for the state of Florida. FAU has measured itself with the accountability metrics, and the university has taken them to heart, and they are the metrics that

determine the resources that FAU will receive as an institution. FAU cannot retract from the growth that it's currently pursuing. He explained that there is a more aggressive form of metrics that the university will be pursuing such as preeminent which recognize the success of 2 universities, which are UF and FSU. If FAU hits 6 of the 12 metrics it will become a pre-preeminent, which will draw more money to the university. FAU is a long way off from becoming a pre-preeminent. FAU has an immediate goal of 100 million in research expenditures. After this goal is met, a new goal will be set.

Senator Negrón wishes to expand bright futures to 100% of tuition to keep the bright students in Florida. Senator Negrón believes in private-public partnerships, focus on 4-year graduation, not 6-year graduation rates. Students graduating on time will increase efficiency. President Kelly has called over 1,000 high school students to recruit them to FAU. The university needs to find an incentive to attract the highest achieving students from high schools.

President Kelly expressed how he has nothing but optimism for FAU, and has no doubt that the university will continue to climb. President Kelly concluded his remarks by thanking the board for all they do and expressing how FAU is pursuing greatness in everything we do.

IV. Public Comments

No public comments.

V. Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the March 15, 2016 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. Honorary doctorate pulled from the agenda. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the Audit & Finance Committee, Committee on Academic and Student Affairs, Strategic Planning Committee consent agendas. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

A motion was made to approve the honorary doctorate of Madam Zainab Hawa Bangurra. The motion was seconded and a roll call vote ensued. The roll call vote went as follows: Trustee Barbar: yes, Trustee Cane: Yes, Trustee Beetle: yes, Trustee Cairo: yes, Trustee Davis: yes, Trustee Dennis, yes, Trustee Dorman: No, Trustee Feingold: no, Trustee McDonald: no, Trustee Moabery: yes, Trustee Rubin: no, Trustee Stilley: yes, Trustee Workman: yes. The motion passed.

VII. New Business

a. Approval to amendments to BOT policies and procedure.

David Kian explained how the state legislature passed a bill relating to educational administration. Amendments to the board of trustees' policies and procedures have been made that are consistent with the bill. A new regulation has been promulgated by the board of governors in regards to procedures of presidential searches by universities boards of trustees. The new regulation will almost certainly pass. Six sections of the BOT policies and procedures need to be amended.

Section 3.4 regarding the removal of trustees. The amendment allows the Governor or the Board of Governors to remove a trustee. The BOT chair shall notify the Governor or the Board of Governors, as applicable, in writing whenever a BOT member has 3 consecutive unexcused absences from regular board meetings in any fiscal year, which may be grounds for removal by the Governor or Board of Governors.

Section 4.2 the chair or vice chair may be re-selected for additional consecutive 2 year terms beyond two terms by a two-thirds vote of the board.

Section 4.6.7 Board minutes must be posted to the website within 2 weeks of the meeting.

Section 5.4 The BOT must conduct its search committee in accordance with the BOG procedures. The chair must appoint the new members of the search committee in consultation with the chair of the Board of Governors.

Section 6.5 A roll call vote shall be taken to document vote history for any issues that are not approved by a unanimous vote of the trustees.

A motion was made to pass all amendments to the BOT policies and procedures. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

VIII. BOT Member Comments

Dr. Beetle is very enthusiastic about the caliber of students that the university has coming in, and looks forward to teaching classes at the level they need to be taught at. Mr. Cairo looks forward to the knowledge he will gain from the board of trustees, and is very inspired by the changes occurring to the university. He will do everything in his power to provide FAU students with the best experience possible. Mr. Moabery congratulated the athletic department for raising \$90,000 for FAU scholarships. The Boca Bowl date has been announced. Realistically, FAU will not play in the Boca bowl, but hopefully will play in a bowl game at a different location. There may be a lack of procedure for honorary doctorate nominations. He supports the faculty in their decisions for honorary doctorates, but believes the community engagement chair should keep the board in the loop when it comes to honorary doctorates. He is proud to be reappointed to the board for another 5 years. Mr. Workman welcomes the new BOT members, and congratulated the FAU softball team and thanked all the faculty for everything they do. Mr. Cane believes FAU is very fortunate to have such a great staff and extraordinary leadership at the Presidential level. It is not typical to have things run this smoothly when there's so much on the line, and would therefore like to thank the faculty and staff for doing a spectacular job. Mr. Stilley thanks everyone for being dedicated to the students and their parents, and also thanked Andrew LaPlant for assisting in attaining an extra graduation ticket for a student's mother with cancer. Dr. Feingold thanked everyone who donated and honored him at the Tora celebration in Boca. They were able to raise \$16,000. He also would like to thank Provost Gary Perry for his donation. He also would like to thank the board for thinking of him and sending flowers when he was ill. He believes you must remember where you come from in order to get where you're going. Every day is a blessing if you're vertical, because life is a precious thing. FAU's prestige is climbing. Dr. Feingold would like to thank all the staff. He agrees with Mr. Moabery about a protocol for giving out honorary degrees, which will add prestige and honor to the award. The BOT needs to be in control of what they do. Mrs. McDonald welcomed the newest members of the BOT. She is proud to be on the board and proud to be an FAU alumni. Dr. Dennis feels privileged to serve with the board. He believes FAU is soaring to great new things. Mr. Davis welcomed the new trustees. He believes they should have some meetings with Broward college in order to be proactive about upcoming changes. He is proud to be a part of FAU and believes the university truly cares about its students and their families. He would like to gain input from the community to help better the school beyond the metric system of evaluation. Dr. Dorman feels privileged and honored to be on the BOT and live in the community. Due to FAU's excellence, he has seen more members of the community attempt to reach out to the University. He was presented

with the opportunity to see the high school class, and believes there is a great deal of potential among them.

IX. Adjournment

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