Chairwoman Nancy Blosser convened the full board meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees with the following members participating:

Vice Chair Robert Stilley, Mr. Anthony Barbar, Dr. William Bryant, Mr. David Feder, Dr. Jeffrey Feingold, Mr. Armand Grossman, Dr. Rajendra Gupta, Dr. Timothy Lenz, Mr. Ayden Maher, Mrs. Sherry Plymale, 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 on a reception hosted by AutoNation in Broward County to introduce President Saunders to the community. Commencement went very well and puts a face on what we do as trustees. Trustee Blosser recognized two individuals for their work at FAU. The first resolution went to Aileen Izquierdo, Senior Vice President of Communications and Marketing. The second resolution went to Dr. John F. Pritchett, former Interim President and University Provost. Trustee Blosser read a thank you note from Dr. Pritchett to the board. Trustee Blosser noted this is the last meeting of the year, as well as the last meeting with the current board members. Five members’ terms will expire in January. She thanked all the trustees for all their work throughout the year. This was a huge year for the board with the hiring of a new president and the inauguration ceremony. Trustee Blosser wished everyone well over the holiday season.

III. President’s Report
President Saunders thanked the board for their help in improving the student experience at FAU. She reported good news around the University:

1. Commencement is a significant and thanked to the trustees who spoke at the ceremonies.
2. FAU had its largest graduating fall class: about 2,500 students and 1,600 who participated in the ceremonies.
3. Barbara Dahlan became the 15th Native American to receive a PhD in nursing.
4. Johnny Maloney has cerebral palsy but was able to earn a master’s degree in rehabilitation counseling.
5. Lindsay Brewster lost both her parents at an early age and went through the foster system. After having a child of her own, she took on her sister’s five children, but she was still able to earn a degree in social work.
6. Jeremy Hurwitz, 2009 graduate of FAU’s accounting program, scored in the top 10 nationally at the CPA exam, earning him the Elijah Watt Sells Award.
7. Dr. Margaret Lyman was appointed Executive Director of HBOI and Vice Provost. She will start in February 2011.
8. The I-95, Spanish River interchange was put in the work plan on December 6. It is scheduled to be funded for $4 million in 2012 and $72 million in 2015.
9. FAU started a new website for all of the news at the university called FAU Today. A website for football season tickets through the payroll deduction has started as well.
10. FAU got new grants awarded through the New Florida Initiative in many areas including neuroscience and climate change.
11. Lifelong Learning Society gave $30,000 towards the President’s Scholarship Challenge.
12. FAU’s PECO funds were cut in half and are now at $28.6 million for six projects this year.

IV. 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.

V. Old Business
There was no old business.

VI. New Business
There was no new business.

VII. BOT Member Comments
Trustees Feingold, Plymale and Bryant thanked Chairwoman Blosser for her years of service and involvement with the university.

VIII. Public Comments

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