Subject: Approval of Minutes

Proposed Board Action
Approve the minutes for the following board meetings:
March 3, 2010
March 24, 2010

Background Information
N/A

Implementation Plan/Date
N/A

Fiscal Implications
N/A

Supporting Documentation: Listed Minutes

Presented by: Mary Mertz, BOT Liaison
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Chairwoman Nancy Blosser convened a special full board meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees with the following members participating:


The following university officials participated:

Mr. David Kian, Senior Vice President of Strategic Relations & General Counsel and Ms. Mary Mertz, BOT Liaison

I. Call to Order and Roll Call
Chairwoman Nancy Blosser convened the full board meeting for the purpose of conducting interviews of the three candidates selected as finalists for the position of President at Florida Atlantic University and to select FAU’s sixth President.

II. Chair’s Comments
Trustee Blosser gave an overview on the Presidential Search process. She noted that the candidates would be asked uniform questions. After each trustee selected a question they would ask, the candidate interviews commenced.

III. Candidate Interviews
Dr. Terry Hickey’s interview began at 10 a.m. and continued for ninety minutes. Dr. Gary Miller’s interview began at 12:15 p.m. and continued for ninety minutes. Dr. Mary Jane Saunders’ interview began at 2 p.m. and continued for ninety minutes.

IV. Board Deliberations and Selection of New President
Trustee Blosser noted that Mr. William Funk, the Presidential Search Consultant was participating via telephone. Trustee Blosser provided background on the Presidential Search Consultant. Trustee Blosser acknowledged all the staff that assisted in facilitating the Presidential Search. She noted that references were contacted and background checks were conducted on all candidates, and there were no negative findings. Trustee David Feder asked if all the candidates were viewed as being ready to assume the position of President. Trustee Blosser responded that each candidate’s past employers affirmed that he/she was ready to assume presidential responsibilities.

Trustee Blosser asked the board members to give their impressions of the three candidates. Trustee Tom Workman asked if the voting process could be clarified. Trustee Blosser responded that the BOT by-laws require a vote on the selected candidate and can be approved by a simple majority vote. Each member of the board provided their input on the candidates.
There was a motion to nominate Dr. Mary Jane Saunders for President of Florida Atlantic University by Trustee William Bryant. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sherry Plymale. A discussion ensued about each of the candidates and the procedures surrounding selecting a candidate. Mr. Kian informed the BOT that Dr. Hickey has withdrawn his application for presidency. The motion passed unanimously. The sixth President of Florida Atlantic University is Dr. Mary Jane Saunders.
Chairwoman Nancy Blosser convened the full board meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees with the following members participating:


The following university officials attended:

Dr. John Pritchett, Interim President; Mr. David Kian, Senior Vice President of Strategic Relations & General Counsel; Ms. Mary Mertz, BOT Liaison; Mr. Dennis Crudele, Interim Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration; Dr. Joyanne Stephens, Vice President and Associate Provost for Regional Campuses; and Dr. Charles Brown, Senior Vice President of Student Affairs.

I. Call to Order and Roll Call
Chairwoman Nancy Blosser convened the full board meeting.

II. Chair’s Report
Trustee Blosser acknowledged Trustees Scott Adams and Lalita Janke for their service on the FAU BOT. She welcomed Dr. Jeffery Feingold and Mr. Robert Rubin, new members of the FAU BOT. Trustee Blosser reported that she had been communicating with President-elect Mary Jane Saunders. Dr. Saunders will be at FAU, April 4 through April 17 to meet and greet people and get to know the University. Trustee Blosser stated that she participated in the presentation of FAU’s proposal to have the medical school approved at the Board of Governors. She acknowledged Dr. John Pritchett, Mr. David Kian, Dr. Michael Friedland, and Dr. Harry Orf for completing the background work to ensure a good presentation on the medical school for the BOG.

III. President’s Report
Dr. John Pritchett provided his report. He provided an update on the progress for FAU’s medical education program. Dr. Pritchett recognized Mr. Tom Donaudy, Mr. David Kian, and Mr. Dennis Crudele for their leadership on the Innovation Village project. He asked Mr. Crudele to provide an overview and status on the Innovation Village project. Mr. Kian added that the ceremonial groundbreaking for the Innovation Village project is would take place on for April 21, 2010.

Dr. Pritchett provided an update on the University’s budget preparation. The administration has been working on the budget for the upcoming budget year and the two years following.
IV. Approval of Minutes

With no additions or corrections, there was a motion to approve of the January 20, 2010 and the February 10, 2010 meeting minutes by Trustee Robert Stilley. The motion was seconded by Trustee Anthony Barbar. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Consent Agenda

There were no requests to remove any items from the consent agenda for discussion. There was a motion by Trustee Thomas Workman to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Trustee Timothy Lenz. With no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

a. Audit and Finance Committee
AF: A-1. Approval of Materials and Supplies Fees (Fees for New Courses and Increases in Existing
AF: A-2. Approval of the BOT Audit and Finance Committee Charter
AF: A-3. Approval of Resolution Restricting the Issuance of Future Debt Secured by Existing Housing Revenues and Designating the FAU Finance Corporation as the Agent of the University for the Development and Construction of Innovation Village Phase I Housing Facilities

b. Strategic Planning Committee
SP: A-2. Approval of the Naming of Room 177 in the Wimberly Library on the Boca Raton Campus
SP: A-3. Approval of the Naming of the Walkway from Dade Avenue to Parking Garage 2 “Diversity Way” on the Boca Raton Campus

VI. Action Agenda

a. Election of the Vice Chair
Trustee Sherry Plymale nominated Trustee Robert Stilley as Vice Chair of the FAU Board of Trustees by Trustee Sherry Plymale. Trustee Blosser explained that per Robert’s Rules of Order nominations for position of Vice Chair do not require a second. With no other nominations on the floor, the nominations were closed. Trustee Stilley was unanimously elected as Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees.

VII. My FAU Presentation
Trustee Blosser asked Dr. Karl Stevens to update the BOT on the College of Engineering and Computer Science. Dr. Stevens gave a presentation on construction of the new Engineering building. He invited the trustees for a hard hat tour following the meeting.

VIII. Old Business
There was no old business.

IX. New Business
There was no new business.

X. BOT Member Comments
Trustee Rajendra Gupta expressed concerns on the budget information in FAU’s Research and World Report. Trustee Jeffery Feingold thanked the trustees for welcoming him to the board and congratulated Trustee Stilley on his election to Vice Chair. Trustee Tiffany Weimar invited the trustees to the second phase of the Recreational Center’s grand opening occurring later that evening. She thanked her Vice President, Collene
O’Reilly for presenting the Diversity Way item at the last committee meeting, as well as Dr. Charles Brown, Mr. Tom Donaudy, and Mr. Dennis Crudele for their work on the Diversity Way item. Trustee Blosser asked her about the students’ participation in “Rally in Tally” as well as for an update on the Student Government elections. Trustee Weimar provided a brief update. Trustee Tim Lenz commended Trustee Blosser on her work with the Presidential Search. Trustee William Bryant welcomed the new members of the BOT.

XI. Public Comments
There were no public comments.

XII. Adjournment
There was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Trustee William Bryant. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sherry Plymale. The motion passed unanimously.