



**Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting  
Draft Minutes  
December 12, 2007**

Chairman Armand Grossman convened the meeting with the following committee members present: Bob Stilley, Vice Chair; Bill Bryant; David Feder; Lalita Janke; Sherry Plymale; Eric Shaw.

Other trustees attending the meeting included: Board Chairman Norman Tripp; Nancy Blosser, Vice Chair; Scott Adams; Rajendra Gupta; Tony Teixeira.

The following university officials participated: Frank T. Brogan, President; John Pritchett, Provost; David Kian, General Counsel; Diane Alperin, Associate Provost; Anne Boykin, Dean of the Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing; Mike Armstrong, Associate Provost.

**ASA-M. Approval of the Minutes**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2007 meeting.  
**The motion passed unanimously.**

**ASA: A-1. Approval of Regulation 5.006 on Tenure Procedures**

Dr. Diane Alperin presented the proposed regulation on Tenure Procedures. She noted that at the direction of the Board, the administration drafted a regulation on tenure procedures which establishes and approves a procedure for the awarding of tenure to faculty. The regulation also provides that the President will certify to the FAU Board of Trustees that all the required tenure procedures have been followed. The President's decision is final and constitutes final action of the University.

A motion was made and seconded to recommend approval of Regulation 5.006 as presented.  
**The motion passed unanimously.**

**ASA: A-2. Approval of New Program: Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)**

Dr. Anne Boykin, Dean of the Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing, presented the proposed new degree program. She noted that in 2005 the American Association of Colleges of Nursing mandated that by 2015, all existing nurse practitioner programs must be converted to a doctoral program. The Board of Governors is aware of the mandated change and has already approved three DNP programs. It is a practice doctorate program and will be offered as a post-masters program. Twenty graduates are expected in the first year. There are no additional financial resources required to implement the program.

A motion was made and seconded to recommend approval of the degree of Doctor of Nursing Practice. **The motion passed unanimously.**

### **ASA: A-3. Approval for Provisional Modification of Admissions Criteria**

Dr. Michael Armstrong, Associate Provost for Enrollment Management, presented the proposed modifications in admissions criteria. The modifications are being proposed in response to the Board's request to review admissions standards at the University. The proposed modifications are recommended in recognition of a basic level of competency necessary for student success and a desire by the University to foster this success. The proposed modifications are as follows:

Based on this analysis the University proposes the following actions for Board of Trustee consideration:

- Modification of FTIC admissions standards should be based on high school GPA.
- For FTIC admissions for Fall 2008, the Office of Undergraduate Admissions should be directed to use, as a guideline, a cutoff of 2.6 HSGPA. Students presenting a 2.6 or below should have their entire records carefully examined and separately considered for admission.
- The University Provost should review the effect of this guideline on the Fall 2008 entering freshman class.
- On the basis of the above review, the Board should consider possible modifications to the current admissions standards, beginning with the entering class of Fall 2009.

A motion was made and seconded to recommend approval for Provisional Modification of Admissions Criteria. **The motion passed unanimously.**

### **Adjournment**

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

The meeting was adjourned.

(Prepared by M. Mertz)