



STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes

Wednesday, April 15, 2009

Trustee Scott Adams, Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee, convened the meeting with the following Committee members present:

Trustees Sherry Plymale, Nancy Blosser, Anthony Barbar, Rajendra Gupta, Lalita Janke, Eric Shaw, and Tom Workman.

Other Board Members Present: Trustees William Bryant, Abraham Cohen, David Feder, Armand Grossman, and Robert Stilley.

The following university officials participated:

President Frank T. Brogan, President; Dr. John Pritchett, Provost; Mr. David Kian, Senior Vice President for Strategic Relations and General Counsel; Mr. Randy Goin, Chief of Staff; Dr. Ken Jessell, Senior Vice President for Financial Affairs; Dr. Charles Brown, Senior Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Kristen Murtaugh, Vice President for Strategic Planning; Ms. Azita Dashtaki, Assistant Vice President for Facilities.

SP: I-1: Strategic Visioning Process

Trustee Scott Adams asked Dr. Kristen Murtaugh to present the item. Dr. Murtaugh introduced Dr. Susan Clemmons to give a detailed presentation. Dr. Clemmons has been engaged by FAU to assist in facilitating organizational change at the university through FAU's strategic visioning process. Dr. Clemmons outlined the strategic visioning process in terms of FAU and the community through the following steps:

- Reflection
- Creating Vision
- Vision State

Dr. Clemmons discussed the methods to be used and the timeline of the process. Trustee William Bryant asked if the BOT and FAU's Foundation will be a part of the process. Dr. Clemmons stated that the plan is evolving, feedback from the BOT and the University's Foundation will be vital. Trustee Stilley echoed Trustee Bryant's statement. Dr. Clemmons asked the BOT how they would like to be engaged. Trustee Bryant stated that in order to do future planning the model in place needs to be reviewed. President Brogan added that the governance structure that the BOT has through committees is a great avenue for conversation on the process. Trustee Scott Adams added that the BOT's role in the process is apparent due to the fact the board has to approve the plan, and in order for it to be a good plan, there has to be ownership of the plan. Trustee Blosser commented that she met with Dr. Clemmons and went through the entire process, there was discussion on Dr. Clemmons facilitating the BOT retreat in

the fall. Trustee Blosser added that if the board feels that their involvement in the process needs to be increased before the fall to please provide feedback. President Brogan added that several things have to happen before June 30, 2009 including the requirement to reduce the budget based on the end of the legislative session as well as the budget proposal for 2009-2010. President Brogan stated that Dr. Clemmons is a seasoned facilitator that will help FAU to refocus for years to come.

SP: A-M: Approval of Minutes

There was a motion made by Trustee Sherry Plymale to approve the Strategic Planning Committee Minutes of the February 25, 2009 meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee William Bryant. **With no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.**

SP: I-2: Strategic Planning Goal One Update: Access to the Production of Degrees

Trustee Adams asked Dr. Kristen Murtaugh to present the item. Dr. Murtaugh discussed each of the objectives listed under Goal One of FAU's Strategic Plan. Dr. Murtaugh asked Dr. Charles Brown to talk about the new initiative of the Dean of Students Office called "FAU Cares: Random Acts of Kindness". The purpose of this initiative is to recognize outstanding citizenship.

Trustee Sherry Plymale asked if administration tracks graduation rates in terms of four or five years. Dr. John Pritchett responded that the national graduation rate benchmark is six years and the Florida has a four year benchmark that is applied to community college transfers. Trustee Plymale noted that there is a cost associated with six year attendance in college and that the administration needs to take it into concern when looking at the budget. Trustee Bryant asked if it is correct to think that all the all the state universities' course numberings are acceptable. President Brogan stated the common course numbering system was put in place several years ago to provide a correlate of courses taken at the community college level that transfers to the university level. Trustee Bryant asked if a student on the community college level finishes within two years and continues on to FAU and finishes their degree in two years it seems that a student would finish in four years. President Brogan stated that the reality is a student can do a true "two plus two" and complete a baccalaureate degree in four years, but most students finish between five and six years.

SP: I-3: Division of Student Affairs Strategic Plan

Trustee Adams asked Dr. Charles Brown to present the item. Dr. Brown briefly highlighted the Student Affairs Strategic Plan inclusive of the vision, mission, motto, core values, goals and objectives.

SP: I-4. Sustainability Committee Report

Trustee Adams asked Mr. Tom Donaudy to present the item. Mr. Donaudy reviewed the mission statement of the Sustainability Committee. He discussed the overview and facilities. Mr. Donaudy asked Ms. Azita Dashtaki to discuss the issues on community engagement, academics and research, housing, business services, purchasing, and transportation. She directed the Board to the Mission Green Website for additional information on the committee. Ms. Dashtaki introduced Alex Van Mecl to discuss the student involvement in the sustainability effort.

There was a motion by Trustee Scott Adams to adjourn the Strategic Planning Committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Anthony Barbar. The motion passed unanimously.