



Item: VIII.d.

SUBJECT: APPROVE NAMING OF UNIVERSITY ELEMENT

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve naming a patient simulation room in the Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine the “Martha and Kenneth Folsom, M.D., Patient Simulation Room.”

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The mission of the FAU Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine is to educate physicians and scientists to meet the healthcare needs of Florida, to conduct biomedical research that advances knowledge and improves patient care, and to serve patients and communities with competence, compassion and respect.

On April 7, 2010, the Florida Board of Governors authorized FAU to award the M.D. degree. Legislation authorizing FAU's medical education program was passed by the Florida Legislature on April 22, 2010 and signed into law by the Governor on May 15, 2010, thereby making it an independent medical school. On June 23, 2010, the FAU Board of Trustees officially renamed the Charles E. Schmidt College of Biomedical Science to the Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine. In February 2011, the Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine received preliminary accreditation from the LCME, the accrediting authority for all medical education programs leading to a medical degree in U.S. and Canadian medical schools. The College of Medicine has enjoyed strong support from the Board of Governors and the Florida Legislature, and is fully funded for its total enrollment of 256 students.

The Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine recruits and educates a diverse student population who will live, work and serve in our communities. It helps advance South Florida's health care communities by providing quality, affordable medical education and access to first-rate medical care among our underserved populations.

The Florida Atlantic University Simulations Center (FAUSC) integrates new simulation and trainer technologies into the curriculum for medical students and medical professionals in practice. FAUSC utilizes state-of-the-art simulation laboratories to provide safe, effective practice for healthcare students and providers in an effort to reduce and/or eliminate preventable adverse events. The Center was first established in 2006, and provides training to medical students, interns, residents, nursing students, and licensed healthcare workers from all fields of medicine and nursing. The goal of the Center is to enhance patient safety and treatment by simulating medical scenarios and providing the opportunity to practice, prepare and analyze every aspect of the chain of patient care and treatment, thus leading to avoidance and reduction in medical errors.

Dr. Kenneth Folsom, MD, is a board certified dermatologist in Boca Raton, Florida. He is currently licensed to practice medicine in Florida and California. He is affiliated with Boca Raton Regional Hospital and Bethesda Memorial Hospital. Dr. Folsom serves on the faculty of the Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine as an Associate Professor in General Internal Medicine. Dr. and Mrs. Folsom have made a gift to the College of Medicine in the amount of \$65,000 to purchase the “birthing” mannequin for the FAUSC. In appreciation of the Folsoms’ generosity, the College of Medicine wishes to dedicate the patient simulation room in which the “birthing” mannequin is stationed.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

February 19, 2015 – installation of signage & dedication ceremony.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Cost of signage and installation: \$300.

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