

Item: <u>AS: I-4</u>

#### COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS Tuesday, February 1, 2022

#### SUBJECT: REPORT ON RESEARCH

#### **PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION**

No action is necessary. This item is only informational.

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Dr. Daniel Flynn, Vice President for Research, will give a general update on the Division of Research, with a focus on opportunities for expanded federal engagement.

#### IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

N/A

#### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A

Supporting Documentation: PowerPoint Presentation

**Presented by:** Dr. Daniel Flynn, VP for Research

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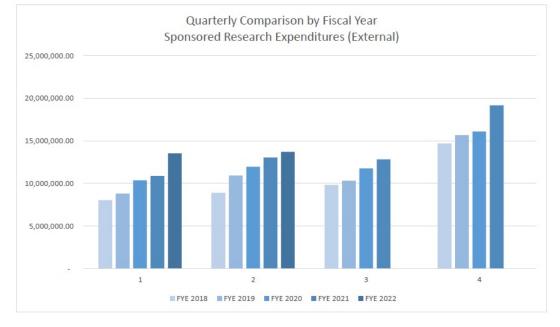


### FAU Board of Trustees FY22 Mid-Year Report Roadmap to \$100M

Dan Flynn, Ph.D. Vice President

Mid-Year Comparison as of December						
Type of Sponsored Research Expenditure	FYE 2018	FYE 2019	FYE 2020	FYE 2021	FYE 2022	
Sponsored Direct	14,263,839.01	16,564,641.01	18,709,188.68	19,805,335.59	22,859,192.64	
Sponsored Indirect / F&A	2,676,279.67	3,159,713.51	3,612,408.75	4,134,954.87	4,381,799.48	
Total Sponsored	16,940,118.68	19,724,354.52	22,321,597.43	23,940,290.46	27,240,992.12	
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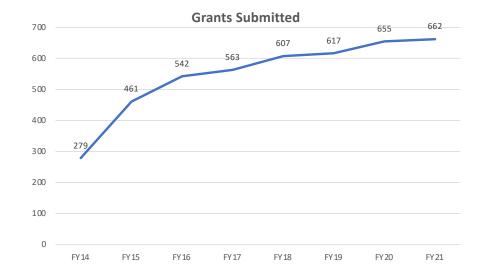


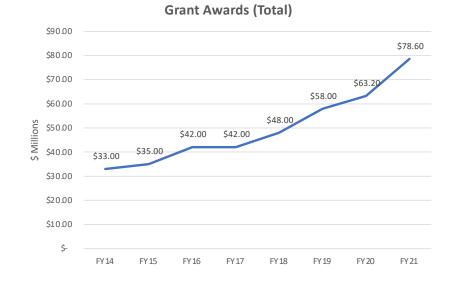
#### **Total Research Expenditures**

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Proposals Submitted by FY and Quarter - Report Summary						
FY	No. Proposals	Q1	No. Proposals	Q2	Total No. Proposals	Total
FY20	178	\$82,646,961	142	\$64,193,326	320	\$146,840,287
FY21	179	\$77,003,406	125	\$62,915,345	304	\$139,918,751
FY22	156	\$78,602,354	128	\$62,366,720	284	\$140,969,074
Awards Received by FY and Quarter - Report Summary						
FY	No. Awards	Q1	No. Awards	Q2	Total No. Awards	Total
FY20	137	\$20,269,891	114	\$13,365,883	251	\$33,635,774
FY21	137	\$38,884,548	73	\$ 8,771,294	210	\$47,655,842
FY22	130	\$21,763,845	90	\$11,703,093	220	\$33,466,938

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### A Significant Increase in Invention Disclosures

	CY19	CY20	CY21
Invention Disclosures	35	30	56
Provisional Patents Filed	35	13	20
Non Provisional patents filed	32	44	37
Patents Issued	3	1	7
Licenses & Options Executed	3	4	3

**OPSolutions** 



## Pillar Action Report









Stiles-Nicholson Brain Institute

#### Approval by Board of Governors for Neuroscience Ph.D. Program

- FAU now one of only two universities offering in Florida
- Recruiting underway for Fall 2022 class, goal to recruit 8 graduate students
- Links Colleges of Science, Engineering, Medicine, Education and WHC and offers opportunities for students to work at MPFI and Scripps

#### Progression of New Research Facility in Jupiter

- Designed to house both wet lab/animals and dry lab/computational science
- Projected opening for scientist move in mid/late summer with ribbon cutting later in the Fall

### ~\$15M FIRST Award Submission to Fund Additional Faculty Positions

- Partnering with I-Health, focused on two thematic areas:
  - Cancer Disparities (Fields)
  - Disparities in Substance Use, Abuse and Resiliency (Blakely)





#### Awarded \$1.5M For Alzheimer's Research

• FAU is one of three institutions to receive funding from Governor's State Health Improvement Plan to study Alzheimer's drug delivery technology



#### **Collaboration with NASA**

 Working in collaboration with a team of scientists to ensure a "microbefree" return of Mars samples

# NASA

#### **Cancer Center of Excellence Building BioBank**

• BioBank building unprecedented sample supply from minority populations







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Institute for Human Health and Disease Intervention





**I-SENSE** 

Institute for Sensing and Embedded Network Systems Engineering

### Second I-SENSE Hire Receives NSF CAREER Award

• Yufei Tang received the NSF CAREER award for his physics-inspired AI work in the design and maintenance of marine and hydrokinetic energy systems

#### \$1M NSF Award for First Networked AI Testbed

- Center for Connected Autonomy and Artificial Intelligence developing new generation of networked, cooperating robots
- Connected robotic platform offers a unique research and training opportunity. Researchers from all U.S. universities will be offered remote access to the FAU platform for experimentation

#### **Expanding Atmospheric and Environmental Monitoring**

- I-SENSE is the lead technology provider for the **Southeast Atlantic Econet**, a large regional network of weather monitoring stations managed in cooperation with Coastal Carolina University
- Nearly doubled its atmospheric sensing footprint in 2021, now supported by more than 200 stations
- Data used by NOAA to increase accuracy of weather forecasting systems along the Atlantic coast







### \$10M ONR Plus-Up for Coastal Defense Monitoring Pending Budget Approval



**HBOI** 

Harbor Branch Oceanographic

Institute

#### **Established C-MATE to Facilitate Collaborations**

- Center for Marine Applied Technology & Engineering
- Facilitates collaborations with private industry, defense contractors

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> DARPA Grant for \$800K+ In Process

• Under the DARPA "Redefense" program dealing with coral reefs and coastal defense



### \$200K+ Donation from FPL Addressing Florida Manatee Starvation Issue

- IRL seagrass restoration research
- High-level of local, state, national press coverage on related HBOI research







## P3 Action Report

Defense	Aquaculture	Health Science	Engineering & Comp. Science
<ul> <li>L3 Harris</li> <li>Raytheon</li> <li>Boston Engineering</li> </ul>	<ul><li> Zeigler Bros.</li><li> Sea Ventures</li><li> Pebble Labs</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Memorial Health System</li> <li>ThermoFisher</li> <li>Nikon Center of Excellence</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>SBA Communications</li> <li>OPSolutions</li> <li>K-Rain</li> </ul>



## Translating Research to Entrepreneurship and Economic Development



#### FAU DIVISION OF RESEARCH

#### FAU INNOVATION AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT





#### **IDEATION AND** VALIDATION

- \* FAU WAVE COMPETITION
- \* BUSINESS PLAN PROGRAM \* UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

\* SBIR/STTR

- \* MARKET VALIDATION PROGRAM (MVP)
- \* MARKETING STRATEGY \* NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF) I-CORPS AT FAU
  - \* LEGAL PROTECTION ° LICENSING AGREEMENTS
    - **° INVENTION DISCLOSURE**

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TECHNOLOGY

A ONLY ANALABLE TO FAU FACULTY, STAFF AND STUDENTS

DEVELOPMENT

\* TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT



#### FAU TECH RUNWAY

\* VENTURE PROGRAM \* MENTORING \* CO-WORKING SPACE \* ANGEL INVESTORS



#### FLORIDA SBDC AT FAU

\* GOVERNMENT CONTRACTING \* ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT \* ACCESS TO CAPITAL \* MARKET ENTRY



#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

STRATEOIC PARTNERSHIPS



## FAU WAVE

Supported **180** student entrepreneurs since FY16 **55%** of students are from diverse backgrounds (Black, Hispanic, Asian) **19** students accepted into Tech Runway for their student startups Some of the **19** students have competed for cash prizes and collectively won over **\$150,000** in pitch competitions around the state of Florida

### Tech **RUNWAY**

Mentoring Program 80 mentors, 2400 volunteer hours

#### Venture Program

Class 8 ('19-'21) 21 companies (5 student, 4 faculty) \$2.9M revenue, 18 patent applications, 55 new jobs created, 44 internships, \$20.4M capital raised

Class 9 ('20-'22) – 20 active companies (7 student, 1 faculty), 7 TR companies competed in FL Venture Forum Early Stage – most of any University

#### Tech Runway Investor Network (TRIN)

13 investors, \$1500/yr/investor 11 TR companies participated. 1 raised \$295,000

#### Facility

Assessing BRiC for TR Program Satellite Location Opening in Boynton Beach Spring 2022 \$110,000 in grants to support facilities expenses

## Active Faculty *Companies*

BiuWave	Extreme Comms Lab	PQ Secure Technologies	e-Spectoco	MMP Biopharma	Videopura
<ul> <li>Oscar Curet</li> <li>Autonomous Underwater Vehicles</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dimitris Pados/George Sklivanitis</li> <li>Underwater WiFi</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reza Azarderakhsh</li> <li>Security systems for quantum computing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Jason Hallstrom</li> <li>Ag monitoring products and forecasting services</li> </ul>	Therapeutic strategies intended to cure osteoarthritis	<ul> <li>Hari Kalva</li> <li>Video services with tech to reduce bandwidth needs for video services</li> </ul>



## Steps to R-1 Classification

145 Additional STEM Research Faculty 43,500 sq. ft. Research Space Expansion

= \$100M



## Steps to *R-1 Classification*



