



Item: CG: A-M

**COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, May 15, 2018**

**SUBJECT: ROLL CALL AND APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 14, 2017 AND FEBRUARY 20, 2018 MINUTES**

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**PROPOSED COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

Initiate roll call to document member participation and ensure appropriate quorum numbers are achieved.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Community and Government Relation Members:

Mrs. Mary Beth McDonald, Chair	_____
Dr. Jeffrey Feingold, Vice Chair	_____
Mr. Anthony Barbar, ex-officio	_____
Dr. Michael Dennis	_____
Mr. Brad Levine	_____
Dr. Kevin Wagner	_____
Student Body President TBD	_____

Participating BOT Members:

Mr. Brent Burns	_____
Mr. Shaun Davis	_____
Dr. Malcolm Dorman	_____
Mr. Abdol Moabery	_____
Mr. Robert Rubin	_____
Mr. Robert Stilley	_____



## COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

### Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2017

#### CG: A-M Roll Call and Approval of Minutes for the June 27, 2017 Meeting:

Trustee Robert Stilley, Committee Chair called the meeting to order and initiated the roll call. In addition to Trustee Stilley, the following committee members were present; Trustee Mary Beth McDonald; Trustee Anthony Barbar (ex-officio); Trustee Daniel Cane (ex-officio); and Trustee Michael Dennis.

Other Trustees attending the meeting included: Trustee Shaun Davis; and Trustee Kevin Wagner.

A quorum was present and the committee was called to order.

The following university officials participated: Dr. John Kelly, University President; Ms. Stacy Volnick, Vice President, Administrative Affairs & Chief Administrative Officer; Ms. Danita Nias, Vice President for Institutional Advancement and CEO of FAU Foundation, Inc. and Mr. David Kian, Vice President & General Counsel.

Trustee Stilley called for approval of the June 27, 2017 meeting minutes. A motion was made and seconded to approve meeting minutes without change or correction. No discussion or commentary followed. The motion passed unanimously.

#### CG: A-1 Approve Naming of University Elements:

##### VP Nias

I am pleased to present for your approval four University Naming Elements. The first is a classroom in the A.D. Henderson High School, the naming request is the Valerie J. Bristor, Ph.D., Dean, College of Education, Superintendent, Florida Atlantic University Schools Classroom. This is in recognition for a gift of \$25,000 and the purpose of the gift is to aide in the planning, design and construction of the new school complex.

Trustee Stilley called for a motion to approve the naming of the Valerie J. Bristor, Ph.D., Dean, College of Education, Superintendent, Florida Atlantic University Schools Classroom. A

motion was made and seconded to approve without change or correction. No discussion or commentary followed. The motion passed unanimously.

The second naming element that I propose for your consideration is also a classroom in the A.D. Henderson School FAU High School. The proposed name is the Lackner Family Classroom. Drew and Catalina Lackner have been in Southeast Florida for years and have two daughters who attended the A.D. Henderson University School and they are also making a gift of \$25,000 to name a classroom.

Trustee Stilley called for a motion to approve the naming of the Lackner Family Classroom. A motion was made and seconded to approve without change or correction. No discussion or commentary followed. The motion passed unanimously.

The third University Naming Element that I'd like the Board to consider is the Administrative Suite at Tech Runway in the name of Barbara and Arnold Cohen, this is in recognition of a \$100,000 gift to Tech Runway and the purpose of this gift is to be used to upgrade the lobby area for Tech Runway.

Trustee Stilley called for a motion to approve the naming of the Barbara and Arnold Cohen Maverick Administrative Suites. A motion was made and seconded to approve without change or correction. No discussion or commentary followed. The motion passed unanimously.

The final University Naming Element is in the College of Business and it is a \$1.2 million dollar gift to name a program The Kathleen Brush Program for Women in Leadership. Kathleen Brush earned her Master's Degree in 1981 and attributes the success in her professional career to what she learned at FAU and on her first visit back to campus as a student was so inspired by what was occurring at the College of Business that has decided to invest in the college by naming this program.

Trustee Stilley called for a motion to approve The Kathleen Brush Program for Women in Leadership. A motion was made and seconded to approve without change or correction. No discussion or commentary followed. The motion passed unanimously.

This concluded VP Danita Nias's naming elements.

CG: I-1 Chair's Report:

Typically we would have Ryan Britton come up and give an update but in the interest of time and also because we are early in the session he gave me some talking points to share with you.

As most of you know, the 2018 Legislative Session is right around the corner. We are in the midst of the Interim Committee weeks, Ryan has been up there on a weekly basis I believe telling our story and the Regular Session is slated to begin on January 9, 2018 ending on March 9, 2018. As is the case every year, several pieces of legislation that impact higher education have been introduced and we will continue to monitor them as the Session moves forward. We are paying particular attention to SB 4 and its proposed expansion of student financial aid, including Bright Futures as well as its potential implementation of a block tuition policy and changes to the law governing university DSOs.

As we close out the year, we continue to focus on our outreach efforts and connecting people to the University by bringing them to campus or by bringing members of the University out into the community. A few recent examples of some of our activities include:

On October 20, 2017, a bipartisan delegation of state representatives held a press conference at FAU's Harbor Branch Campus alongside Congressman Brian Mast. The press conference was held to publicize a bill known as "Legacy Florida 2.0", which would require the state to appropriate up to \$50 million for Lagoon restoration projects.

On October 10, 2017 more than 40 members (students, alumni, faculty, staff, trustees and board members) of the university community were in Tallahassee for FAU Day at the Capitol. FAU Day participants took part in lectures, toured the Old Capitol and Senate chambers and met with Members of the Legislature. I want to thank Trustee Lawless for organizing a great group of students to take part in this year's FAU Day. We have again received great feedback on the quality of our students and how well they represent FAU.

On October 9, 2017, Governor Scott and the Florida Department of Health held the 2017 Zika Research Grant Symposium at Florida Atlantic University. The event was held to highlight the advances in Zika research that have taken place since late 2016, when Governor Scott made \$25 million in new funding available to combat the virus.

In addition, we continue to bring elected officials to visit A.D. Henderson University School and FAU High School to witness firsthand the innovative science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) education being offered to our students.

I want to close by thanking the Trustees who were able to attend the SUS Trustee Summit on November 8, 2017, at the University of Central Florida in Orlando. One thing I'd like to push

from the Trustees is I think we need better representation, we were clearly not represented as well as some of the other universities. Next year we should try to get everyone there.

That concludes my report.

Trustee Stillely requested a motion to adjourn the committee's meeting; a motion was made and seconded. The motion to adjourn was approved.

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## Community & Governmental Relations Committee

### Draft Minutes

Tuesday, February 20, 2018

#### **CG: A-M. Roll Call**

Mrs. Mary Beth McDonald, Chair of the Board of Trustees Community and Governmental Relations Committee, convened the meeting. Roll call commenced with the following committee members, in addition to Mrs. Mary Beth McDonald, participating: Mr. Anthony Barber (ex-officio), Dr. Jeffery Feingold (Vice Chair), Dr. Michael Dennis, Ms. Emily Lawless, Mr. Brad Levine, and Dr. Kevin Wagner.

Other Trustees attending the meeting included Mr. Brent Burns, Mr. Robert Stilley, Mr. Robert Rubin, and Dr. Malcolm Dorman.

#### **CG: A-1. Approve Naming of University Elements**

Chairwoman Mary Beth McDonald introduces Lead staff member, Vice President of Advancement at FAU, Danita Nias to describe the following gifts. Danita described each gift individually and the following action was taken.

- a) Bernard and Sylvie Godin Element: A motion was made and seconded to approve the naming. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.
- b) Nicholad DeSiato and Kimberly Rosemurgy Element: A motion was made and seconded to approve the naming. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.
- c) Huizenga Family Element: A motion was made and seconded to approve the naming. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.

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- d) Ernest and Donna McMullen Element: A motion was made and seconded to approve the naming. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.
- e) Avron B. Fogelman Sports Museum: A motion was made and seconded to approve the naming. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.

**With no further questions or comments put forth, The Community & Governmental Relations committee was concluded.**

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