

Item: CG: A-M

# COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE Wednesday, November 16, 2016

SUBJECT: ROLL CALL AND APPROVAL OF THE MAY 17, 2016 MINUTES

#### PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Initiate roll call to document member participation, ensure quorum, and approve the Minutes of May 17, 2016 meeting.

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Mr. Robert Stilley, Chair	
Mrs. Mary Beth McDonald, Vice Chair	
Mr. Anthony Barbar (ex-officio)	
Mr. Michael Cairo	
Mr. Daniel Cane (ex-officio)	
Dr. Michael Dennis	
Mr. Abdol Moabery	
PARTICIPATING BOT MEMBERS	
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## Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2016

#### SP: A-M Roll Call:

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; Trustee Michael Cairo; Trustee Abdol Moabery and Trustee Michael Dennis.

Other Trustees attending the meeting included: Trustee Jeffrey Feingold; Trustee Robert Rubin; Trustee Thomas Workman; Trustee Shaun Davis; Trustee Malcolm Dorman and Trustee Christopher Beetle.

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 and Interim Vice President of Institutional Advancement; Mr. David Kian, Vice President for Legal Affairs & General Counsel and Interim CEO of FAU Foundation, Inc. and Mr. Ryan Britton, Executive Director of Government Relations.

Trustee Stilley called for approval of the March 15, 2016 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: I-1 Legislative Update:

Trustee Robert Stilley

President Kelly and staff have had a lot of success with the metrics which as we've seen today has given us a lot more money to work with this year and we want to thank you for that. We've had a lot of dignitaries on campus so far this year. Trustee Cane thank you for getting Governor Scott over to Henderson. We've had Senator Clemens over at HBOI to learn more about what's going on at the Indian River Lagoon which up our way is a big issue. Senate President Negron was here and met with our business school which was a wonderful meeting

and Senator Sachs also was here. I'd like to thank Trustees McDonald, Rubin and Beetle for attending the meeting with Senator Negron.

At the Life Long Learning Center in Jupiter we had a nice function where the North Palm Beach Chamber changed their name to Palm Beach North Chamber, it was a big deal a couple of weeks ago and we were able to really showcase FAU. Dr. Polsky did a third Sea Level Rise Summit in Ft. Lauderdale which everyone in Florida knows is important and we had Congressman Deutch and some other State Representatives there. Also, on May 25th and 26th in Orlando we have the Governor's Degrees to Jobs Summit, 6 of us are planning to attend and it should be a good meeting.

When we were up in Jupiter we had a quick meeting to put together our 45-minute presentation which I will give to you in about a minute and a half. There's a lot of things I've been thinking about and I'm sure you have also. As Trustees we come together 6-9 times a year in these meetings and we do a lot of work outside these meetings but I think we have a responsibility to go and help sale the University outside of these meetings. One of the things we've talked about was just regular speaking opportunities for the Trustees that we can work together on putting a schedule. The University would put together a presentation that we could adapt to our speaking style so it would be a little easier for us. We could go out to HOA's, Country Clubs, Rotaries, Elks etc., to all of the people in the community who are doing similar type work but maybe on a smaller scale just to let them know what FAU is doing. It's been much better since I've been on the Board 10 years ago but people still don't know what we do here at FAU so I think we need to get the word out and bring people in. We also talked about the Alumni and using them to help bring people in to the University so we're going to work with the Alumni Association to do that so we can use those folks also.

Every state has an area where State Representatives and Senators go to a delegation meeting and what I've heard is that every State University has somebody at every one of those whether it be the Panhandle, Jacksonville, Melbourne, Key West, Boca; that University has an Alum that gives a 90 second – 2-minute presentation on what's going on at that University. Through the Alumni Association one of the other things we thought we would do is reach throughout the state to find Alums that are willing to do that so that they can get in from of the Legislators and let them know what we're doing because unless you're in Boca, Jupiter or Ft. Lauderdale you really don't know much about Florida Atlantic University, but can you imagine if the Representatives up in Jacksonville one day hear about FAU through one of the Alums over in the Panhandles and then when they go back to Tallahassee and we go in there to talk to them and they go 'oh yeah we had one of your alums talking to us'. I think it's just a great idea to get our word out. Also, Dr. Feingold and I talked about the Life Long Learning communities being a great source to get the word out.

This is what the presentation will be which you will see in the next few months in greater detail but in the meantime I'm going to ask all of you to think about it and if you know of a group you can get in front of and spend a lunch time telling them about FAU let Stacy and I know and we'll try to get some type of talking points for. We will also let you know when all of the delegation meetings are in our area so that we can try and get people in our area to attend.

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