



**Full Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, November 16, 2021  
Live and Virtual Meeting**

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**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Chair Anthony Barbar convened the full board meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees with the following members participating:

Mr. Brent Burns, Mr. Piero Bussani, Mr. Daniel Cane, Mr. Shaun Davis, Dr. Kimberly Dunn, Mr. Earnie Ellison, Mrs. Barbara Feingold, Mr. Brad Levine, Ms. Elycia Morris, Mrs. Sherry Murphy, Mr. Maxwell Simonson.

The following university officials participated: Dr. John Kelly, University President; Mr. David Kian, VP Legal Affairs, and Mr. Andrew LaPlant, Board of Trustees Operations.

**Roll was taken and a quorum was present.**

**II. Chair's Report**

Chair Barbar opened that he was glad everyone is back for the Fall semester. FAU hosted two big events the last couple of weeks. First, the FAU Talon Awards, where our trustee Kimberly Dunn won the faculty award and trustee emeritus Robert Stilley and his wife, MaryLynn, won the presidential award. Second, the Trustee Summit and Board of Governors meeting. FAU won the Mori award, which highlights the most trustees in attendance at the summit. FAU has hosted four of the seven summits. He thanked the many people around FAU that helped make the event go well. He also reported that Chair Barbar, Trustee Levine and UF board chair, Mori Hosseini, met to discuss cooperating opportunities between the two universities.

Trustee Moabery received the ISTAT award, which is a distinguished honor recognizing lifetime achievement and contribution in the aviation industry.

In Government Relations news, we are preparing for the 2022 legislative session. Chair Barbar thanked the students, faculty and staff that came to Tallahassee for FAU Day.

In Athletics news, most of you know that we were invited to the American Athletic Conference, which will continue to build FAU's brand. Men's soccer advanced to the Conference USA championship for the first time in program history.

### **III. President's Report**

President Kelly gave his report at lunch.

### **IV. Public Comments**

No public comments.

### **V. Consent Agenda**

Chair Barbar stated that all items were discussed and approved unanimously in their respective committees. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the Audit and Compliance Committee, Budget and Finance Committee, Committee on Academic and Student Affairs, Governance Committee and Personnel and Compensation Committee consent agendas. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

### **VI. New Business**

#### **a. Approval of Full Board Minutes**

##### **i. September 13, 2021**

Chair Barbar asked for a motion to approve the minutes as written. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the September 13, 2021 Full Board Minutes. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

#### **b. Approval of University Elements**

##### **a) DiDomenico Family Elevator**

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the naming of the DiDomenico Family Elevator. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

**b) Lawlor Family Courts**

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the naming of the Lawlor Family Courts. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

**c) Heithoff Family Technology Workshop**

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the naming of the Heithoff Family Technology Workshop. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

**d) Reynolds Family Hallway**

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the naming of the Reynolds Family Hallway. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

**e) Kimberly V. Strauss Tennis Center**

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the naming of the Kimberly V. Strauss Tennis Center. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

**f) Madden Center for Value Creation**

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the naming of the Madden Center for Value Creation. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

**c. Election of a Vice Chair**

**Chair Barbar opened the floor for nominations for vice chair. Trustee Elycia Morris nominated Trustee Brad Levine. The nomination was seconded. With no other nominations and no further discussion, Trustee Levine was voted vice chair.**

#### **d. Approval of the Board of Trustees 2022 Meeting Calendar**

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the Board of Trustees 2022 Meeting Calendar.**

**With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.** Chair Barbar encouraged the trustees to reach out to the deans and spend the day with them to learn more about each college and department.

#### **VII. BOT Member Comments**

Trustee Morris congratulated Trustee Levine on becoming vice chair. She wants to meet with deans outside of the board meetings as Chair Barbar suggested. Trustee Murphy was happy to complete her first full meeting. Trustee Simonson updated the trustees on student happenings. He was very happy with the students that came to FAU Day. It was very informative and the students learned a lot from being up there. Trustee Dunn was thankful for previous Chair Moabery's attendance at the University Faculty Senate meetings. It helped the faculty communicate their concerns with the board. She is concerned about some of the underfunding of resources to achieve the mission. Trustee Dunn also spoke about academic freedom and how important it is to universities. Trustee Levine thanked the trustees for their confidence in him as vice chair. He is looking forward to the opportunities with UF. Trustee Burns thanked the faculty and leadership team for all of their work and results during this time. All are raising the bar and he is encouraged by what we are developing, designing and teaching our students for their future careers. Trustee Davis said we are in trying times with the pandemic, but is encouraged by all that FAU does to support its students. Trustee Cane congratulated Vice Chair Levine. He is excited to see the energy on campus with the faculty, staff, and students back. Trustee Bussani said he is humbled in his first meeting by the quality, intellect and compassion of the faculty and leadership team. In business, he likes to assess culture over strategy at first and he is impressed by what he sees at FAU. Trustee Ellison was excited to hear all the wonderful stories the university has to tell. Trustee Feingold noted it was a bittersweet day for her being in the room with her and her husband's name on it. She said she misses Dr. Feingold next to her, as he always had a great answer. As a board, we are working to achieve things as a team and a family.

#### **VIII. Adjournment**

**A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned.**