



FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

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Item: AS: A-M

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

Subject: Roll Call and Approval of April 8, 2025 Minutes

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

INITIATE ROLL CALL TO DOCUMENT MEMBER PARTICIPATION, ENSURE QUORUM, AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 8, 2025 MEETING.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mrs. Sherry Murphy, Chair	_____
Mr. Jon Harrison, Vice Chair	_____
Mr. Darsham Gonzalez	_____
Mr. Scott McCleneghen	_____
Dr. William Trapani	_____
Mr. Piero Bussani (ex-officio)	_____

PARTICIPATING BOT MEMBERS

Mr. Shaun Davis	_____
Mr. Robert Flippo	_____
Mr. Brad Levine	_____
Mr. Pablo Paez	_____
Mr. Jonathan Satter	_____
Mrs. Linda Stoch	_____
Mrs. Tina Vidal-Duart	_____



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Committee on Academic and Student Affairs

Meeting Minutes – June 10, 2025

Committee on Academic and Student Affairs Chair Sherry Murphy called the meeting to order and requested a rollcall to confirm a quorum. In addition to Chair Sherry Murphy, the following committee members were present: Vice Chair Jon Harrison, Trustee Stefan Andjelkovic, Trustee Scott McCleneghen, Trustee Kim Dunn, Trustee Piero Bussani (ex-officio), Trustee Shaun Davis, Trustee Robert Flippo, Trustee Brad Levine, Trustee Pablo Paez, Trustee Jonathan Satter, Trustee Linda Stoch and Trustee Tina Vidal-Duart.

AS: A-M Roll Call and Approval of Minutes from the February 4, 2025, Committee on Academic and Student Affairs

The minutes from the February 4, 2025 meeting was presented for approval. A motion was made to approve the minutes as distributed. **The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.**

AS: A-1 Request for Approval of Amendments to Regulation 2.006, Institutes and Centers

Elizabeth Rubin, Interim Chief Compliance & Ethics Officer and Interim Deputy General Counsel, reported that the University seeks to amend Regulation 2.006, Institutes and Centers to ensure alignment with the updated requirements of Board of Governors (BOG) Regulation 10.015, Institutes and Centers. The proposed amendments aim to streamline and clarify processes related to institutes and centers. Key updates include:

1. Removal of definitions, reporting deadlines, and reviews that are either duplicative of BOG Regulation 10.015 or no longer applicable.
2. Updated procedures and responsibilities for establishing, evaluating, reviewing, and disbanding University institutes and centers.
3. Addition of language requiring a suspension plan that outlines steps for reactivation or termination, as applicable.
4. Inclusion of procedures for changing the name or purpose of an institute or center.
5. Designation of final authority to the Vice President for Research, in consultation with the Provost or applicable unit Vice President.

A motion was made to approve. **The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.**



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AS: A-2 Request for Approval of Amendments to Regulation 3.004, Textbook And Instructional Materials Affordability

Elizabeth Rubin, Interim Chief Compliance & Ethics Officer and Interim Deputy General Counsel, presented proposed amendments to Regulation 3.004, Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability, recommending approval to ensure compliance with recent updates to Board of Governors (BOG) Regulation 8.003. The regulation supports efforts to minimize the cost of required or recommended instructional materials while maintaining academic quality and freedom. Key proposed changes include:

1. Requirement for faculty and instructors to attest that they have reviewed instructional materials for each course prior to presenting or assigning them to students.
2. Addition of a reference to the Short-Term Advance Program, which supports students facing unexpected educational expenses, such as the purchase of textbooks prior to financial aid disbursement.

A motion was made to approve. **The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.**

AS: A-3 Request for Approval of Amendments to Regulation 4.004, Miscellaneous Student Rules

Elizabeth Rubin, Interim Chief Compliance & Ethics Officer and Interim Deputy General Counsel, recommended approval of proposed amendments to Regulation 4.004, Miscellaneous Student Rules. This regulation outlines general student-related policies, including changes of address, official communications, promotional materials, and holds on student records. The proposed revision is:

1. Deletion of paragraph (4) regarding the withholding of transcripts and diplomas for students who fail to promptly pay debts owed to the University. This provision is already covered in Regulation 8.002, Tuition and Fee Assessment, Remittance, and Refunds, rendering its inclusion in Regulation 4.004 redundant.

A motion was made to approve. **The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.**

AS: I-1 Annual Review of Academic Degree Program List

Dr. Russell Ivy, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, reported that in March 2024, the Board of Governors (BOG) amended BOG Regulation 8.011, Authorization of New Academic Degree Programs and Other Curricular Offerings. The revision separates new degree program planning from the annual Accountability Plan process, allowing universities to submit annual lists of anticipated new degree programs rather than a comprehensive multi-year forecast. This change enables institutions to respond more efficiently to emerging workforce needs. Regulation 8.011 requires that each



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institution's Board of Trustees review the proposed list prior to its submission to the BOG. Dr. Ivy noted that the BOG considers this an informational item, not requiring a formal vote. While inclusion on the list signals planning intent, it does not financially obligate the University to implement any of the proposed programs. Updates to the list must be presented to the Board of Trustees before submission, in accordance with BOG staff guidance.

AS: I-2 Student Body Update

Stefan Anjelkovic, FAU Trustee and Student Body President, provided an overview of the achievements and impact of the Student Government at FAU. He highlighted how student tuition fees contribute to a range of initiatives designed to enhance academic success, student life, and university engagement. Key accomplishments included the expansion of Grammarly access to all students, a textbook affordability program, and meal swipe and food pantry initiatives addressing food insecurity. Programs like parking citation forgiveness and the Owl Perks discount network, including a recent partnership with Disney, were also noted. Student Government played a central role in hosting events such as the annual bonfire concert featuring Shaquille O'Neal and strengthening partnerships with the City of Boca Raton, including securing free student beach parking. Additionally, legislative and lobbying efforts were emphasized, with successful bill passage, enhanced student engagement in elections, and advocacy at both the state and federal levels. He commended the leadership team's collaborative spirit, concluding with recognition of the substantial return on student investment and Student Government's vital role in improving the FAU student experience.

Closing Remarks and Recommendation

Following the student government report, committee members expressed their appreciation for Student Body President Stefan's exceptional leadership and contributions over the past year, commending his dedication and the significant impact of his initiatives. Several trustees echoed their admiration, highlighting the proud tradition of student leadership at FAU and Stefan's embodiment of that legacy. Before adjournment, a trustee proposed a recommendation that the Board of Trustees follow the model of the Board of Governors by including standing agenda items for brief Student Trustee and Faculty Trustee reports at future meetings. This would provide regular updates on student and faculty experiences and activities, fostering stronger engagement and awareness among trustees. The committee expressed consensus in support of the recommendation, agreeing it would add value and should be included in the meeting minutes.

A motion was made to adjourn. **The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.**

The meeting was adjourned.