



FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

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Item: AS: A-M

## COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

Subject: Roll Call and Approval of August 13, 2024 Minutes

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### PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

INITIATE ROLL CALL TO DOCUMENT MEMBER PARTICIPATION, ENSURE QUORUM, AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 13, 2024 MEETING.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Daniel Cane, Chair	_____
Dr. Kimberly Dunn, Vice Chair	_____
Mr. Piero Bussani (ex-officio)	_____
Mr. Stefan Andjelkovic	_____
Mr. Earnie Ellison (ex-officio)	_____

### PARTICIPATING BOT MEMBERS

Mr. Shaun Davis	_____
Mrs. Barbara Feingold	_____
Mr. Robert Flippo	_____
Mr. Brad Levine	_____
Mrs. Elycia Morris	_____
Mrs. Sherry Murphy	_____
Mr. Pablo Paez	_____
Mrs. Linda Stoch	_____



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Meeting Minutes – August 13, 2024

Committee on Academic and Student Affairs Chair Daniel Cane called the meeting to order and requested a rollcall to confirm a quorum. In addition to Chair Daniel Cane, the following committee members were present: Trustee Kimberly Dunn, Trustee Piero Bussani (ex-officio), Trustee Stefan Andjelkovic, Trustee Earnie Ellison, and Trustee Barbara Feingold (ex-officio). Participating BOT members included Trustee Shaun Davis, Trustee Robert Flippo, Trustee Brad Levine, Trustee Elycia Morris, Trustee Sherry Murphy, Trustee Pablo Paez, and Trustee Linda Stoch.

**AS: A-M Roll Call and Approval of Minutes from the June 4, 2024, Committee on Academic and Student Affairs**

The minutes from the June 4, 2024 meeting were presented for approval. A motion was made to approve the minutes as distributed. **The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.**

**AS: A-1 Recommend Approval of the Textbook Report**

Dr. Russ Ivy, Interim Provost, requested for the approval of the Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability Annual Report.

Pursuant to Section 1004.085, Florida Statutes, the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees presented its annual report on textbook and instructional materials affordability to the Board of Governors, due by September 30. The report included:

- a. Overview of the textbook selection process for high-enrollment general education courses.
- b. Detailed selection process for additional high-enrollment general education courses.
- c. Identification of course sections that did not require or recommend textbook purchases or utilized low-cost materials.
- d. Summary of institutional policies and annual posting outcomes.
- e. Description of ongoing efforts to reduce costs for students.

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

**AS: A-2 Recommend Approval of a New Degree Program – CIP 30.2001**

Dr. Michael Horswell, Dean, Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters, requested for the re-approval of the following New Degree Program – CIP 30.2001, Bachelor of Arts in Global Studies.



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The committee discussed the proposed Bachelor of Arts in Global Studies, an interdisciplinary degree offered by the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters at FAU. The program requires a total of 120 credit hours, including 44 credits for degree requirements. Key components include:

- **Core Courses:** 15 credits, comprising four Global Studies courses (12 credits) and one directed research project (3 credits).
- **Language Requirement:** 8 credits in intermediate-level language courses.
- **Experiential Learning:** 6 credits from 3000-level or above courses, including study abroad or internships.
- **Electives:** 15 courses from four thematic areas: Global Cultures, Global Movements and Identities, Human and Natural Environments, and Peace, Social Justice, and Human Rights.

The degree aims to equip students with interdisciplinary knowledge and skills relevant to understanding global dynamics. It is scheduled for implementation in Spring 2025, pending approval by the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees. The fiscal implications are minimal, primarily related to potential course replacements, which can be managed by allowing core courses to count as electives in other majors. No additional expenses are anticipated for program development or operation.

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

### **AS: A-3 Recommend Approval of Amendments to Regulation 4.001, Code of Academic Integrity**

Mr. Daniel Jones, VP Legal Affairs requested BOT approval of the amendments to FAU Regulation 4.001, Code of Academic Integrity.

The committee reviewed proposed amendments to Florida Atlantic University's Regulation 4.001, which outlines expectations for ethical academic conduct and the procedures for addressing violations. The key changes include:

1. **Updated Examples:** Inclusion of unauthorized use of artificial intelligence as a form of academic dishonesty.
2. **Clarification of Policies:** Students are prohibited from applying the University's forgiveness policy, or from dropping or withdrawing from courses where a Code violation occurred, to ensure alignment with existing university policies.
3. **Grammatical Revisions:** Improvements were made to language concerning academic dishonesty in research and the procedures for handling allegations.



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If approved by the Board, the revised regulation will take effect on August 13, 2024.

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

**AS: A-4 Recommend Approval of Amendments to Regulation 4.007, Student Code of Conduct**

Mr. Daniel Jones, VP Legal Affairs requested OT approval of amendments to FAU Regulation 4.007, Student Code of Conduct.

In accordance with Board of Governors Regulation 6.0105, Florida Atlantic University has established a committee for the periodic evaluation of its student disciplinary system. The committee, which included representatives from various university offices and two student members, met in Spring 2024 to review the Student Code of Conduct. This code is essential for promoting civic and social responsibility among students and outlines the disciplinary process for behaviors inconsistent with university standards.

Key proposed revisions include:

1. Adoption of the Board of Governor's Statement of Free Expression.
2. Clarification of the role of advisors in student conduct proceedings.
3. Updates to definitions, violations, and procedures to align with university practices and Florida law.
4. Changes to the name and contact information of the FAU Office of Civil Rights and Title IX, and updates to the title of the Vice President for Student Affairs.
5. Modifications to the expungement section, specifying cases where expungement will not be considered and reorganizing provisions.

If approved by the Board, the revised Student Code of Conduct will take effect on August 13, 2024.

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

**The meeting was adjourned at 10:37AM.**