



**Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, August 19, 2013 – 2:00 p.m.**  
**Conference Call**

Chair Anthony Barbar convened the special full board meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees with the following members participating: Vice Chair Thomas Workman, Mr. Peter Amirato, Mr. David Feder, Dr. Jeffrey Feingold, Mr. Abdol Moabery, Dr. Ronald Nyhan, Mr. Robert Rubin, Mr. Robert Stilley, Mr. Paul Tanner, and Dr. Julius Teske.

The following university officials participated: Mr. Dennis Crudele, Interim University President; Dr. Diane Alperin, Acting Provost and Chief Academic Officer; Mr. David Kian, General Counsel; Ms. Dorothy Russell, Interim Senior Vice President for Financial Affairs; Mr. Tom Donaudy, Vice President for Facilities and University Architect; Dr. Barry Rosson, Vice President of Research and Dean of the Graduate College; Dr. Charles Brown, Sr. Vice President of Student Affairs; Ms. Joanne Davis, Interim Vice President of Community Engagement and Executive Director, FAU Foundation, Inc.; Ms. Stacy Volnick, Vice President of Executive Operations and Chief of Staff; and Andrew LaPlant, BOT Coordinator.

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

Chair Anthony Barbar convened the full board meeting. Roll was taken and a quorum was present.

**II. Chair's Report**

Chair Barbar opened with the new Parliament Hall opening this fall semester. This is will be the first residence hall that will house a faculty-in-residence. He thanked Trustees Workman and Tanner for joining him in giving the BOT remarks at the summer commencement. One graduate, 17-year old James Martin graduated summa cum laude from the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science. He received a bachelor's degree in molecular biology and interned for Princeton University under the guidance of a Nobel Prize winning professor.

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

Interim President Crudele said FAU will open the fall semester with the Weeks of Welcome. Freshman Convocation is the conclusion of Weeks of Welcome. It's a chance for the incoming freshman to hear from other successful students and a keynote address from the Distinguished Teacher of the Year, Rhonda Goodman, from the Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing. President Crudele went to the Conference USA planning retreat last week with Athletic Director Pat Chun, where he met all of the other presidents and athletic directors from the other conference schools.

### **IV. Approval of the Minutes**

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the June 27, 2013 meeting minutes. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

### **V. Action Agenda**

#### **a. Approve New FAU Regulation 3.005 – Education Sites**

Mr. David Kian stated this is a new regulation that was required by the Board of Governors (BOG). All universities have to pass a regulation governing the opening, closing, or relocation of educational sites that is consistent with the BOG regulation. This regulation is in conformance with all BOG procedures. Trustees Teske, Moabery and Feingold asked about procedures regarding bringing such proposals to the Board of Trustees. Mr. Kian explained the procedures to the satisfaction of the trustees. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the New FAU Regulation 3.005 – Education Sites. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

#### **b. Approve Amendments to FAU Regulation 8.001 – Tuition, Fee Schedule and Percentage of Cost**

Ms. Dorothy Russell explained the revisions to the FAU Regulation 8.001. Ms. Russell noted that the statutory requirement to raise the resident per credit hour rate will be offset by the university, so that there will be no out-of-pocket increase to undergraduate students. Trustee Teske asked if total amount to be paid by students is what the Trustees voted on in April. Ms. Russell responded yes. Trustee Tanner asked if this was one vote or will it be voted on separately. Mr. Kian responded it will be one vote. Trustee Amirato wanted to clarify that the fee increase wasn't going to affect the undergraduate students. Ms. Russell

responded there will be net-zero increase to undergraduate students. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the Amendments to FAU Regulation 8.001 – Tuition, Fee Schedule and Percentage of Cost. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

**c. Approve 2013-14 Capital Improvement Plan**

Mr. Tom Donaudy presented the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Donaudy noted that 10 of the 14 priorities on the CIP are for renovations or additions. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the 2013-14 Capital Improvement Plan. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

**d. Approve 2014-15 Legislative Budget Request for the College of Medicine Simulation Center**

Dr. Diane Alperin said we have two simulation centers. Dr. Alperin noted that they are an important part of the curriculum for our medical students and bring members of the community to the centers. Trustee Teske asked if she thinks the legislature will approve the increase. President Crudele responded that we have talked with many legislators and feel we have their support on the increase. Trustee Amirato asked if they see similar increases in the coming years. Dr. Alperin responded that this is a non-recurring (one-time) request. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the 2014-15 Legislative Budget Request for the College of Medicine Simulation Center. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed unanimously.**

**e. Selection of Presidential Search Firm**

Chair Barbar said at the June 27, 2013 meeting in which the board voted to commence a national search for a new president, the board authorized the chair to solicit search firms that will help in conducting the search for a new president. FAU's Purchasing Office solicited the firms. Seven firms sent back proposals. Chair Barbar reviewed each proposal and called each firm individually. As required by the process the Board had approved, he recommended the following three firms: Parker Executive Search; R. William Funk & Associates; and Witt/Kieffer.

Trustee Teske asked how many responses we had. Barbar responded with seven. Trustee Feder noted we used R. William Funk & Associates for the last presidential search. Feder suggested having a fresh start with another firm. Trustee Nyhan shared concerns with Funk & Associates. They conducted six searches for us, with three of them not ending in a candidate. Trustee Feingold expressed similar concerns. Trustee Stilley agreed that it might be time for a new search firm. Stilley mentioned that of the other two, one seemed regional and one national. He noted that the last search firm seemed to push the university toward a certain candidate and didn't want that to happen again. Barbar responded that some of the references noted that about some of the firms. More discussion ensued regarding the differences in each firm. Barbar said the consultant for Parker is currently not involved with another search, whereas the Witt/Kiefer consultant is currently involved with other searches. **A motion was made and seconded to approve Parker Executive Search as the presidential search firm. With no further discussion or amendments, the motion passed with nine voting yes, two voting no.**

#### **VI. Old Business**

There was no old business.

#### **VII. New Business**

There was no new business.

#### **VIII. BOT Member Comments**

Trustee Feingold said that Tom Donaudy is doing a great job with the renovations to the Dr. Jeffrey P. & Barbara S. Feingold Board Room in the Williams Administration Building.

#### **IX. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

#### **X. Adjournment**

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