



FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

Board of Trustees

Item: GC: A-3

Date: Tuesday, June 16, 2026

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF ELECTION OF NEW FOUNDATION BOARD MEMBERS

PROPOSED ACTION

Approval of election of the following new board members to the Florida Atlantic University Foundation Board of Directors: Susan E. Ball, Michael Gray, Craig R. Weiner.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Purpose of Action:

Per Florida Statute 1004.28(3), except for the directors appointed by the Chair of the University's Board of Trustees or designated by the University President, the Board of Trustees approves all appointments of directors to the boards of directors of the University's direct-support organizations, including the Foundation. Ms. Ball, Mr. Gray and Mr. Weiner were unanimously elected for appointment by the Foundation's Board of Directors at its May 13, 2026, meeting.

The biographies of Ms. Ball, Mr. Gray and Mr. Weiner are attached.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

Upon approval by the Board of Trustees.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A.

Presented by: David Kian, Interim CEO of FAU Foundation, Inc.

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Documentation: Bios of New Board Members



Susan E. Ball

Executive Vice President, Chief Administrative Officer and General Counsel

Susan serves as the legal advisor to Cross Country Healthcare's CEO and board of directors, overseeing corporate governance, securities matters, risk management, workers' compensation, insurance, litigation, and mergers and acquisitions and facilitating strategic corporate initiatives. Before practicing law, she was a Registered Nurse, giving her unique insight into the company's legal matters. Susan has extensive experience with public company issues, serving as a valuable strategic partner to Cross Country Healthcare's leadership team. Prior to joining Cross Country Healthcare, Susan held positions at Gunster, a Florida-based law firm, as well as Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher, and Flom, and served as a director of Jamestown Indemnity. Ms. Ball is a member of the Florida bar and the New York bar and received her B.S. from Ohio State University, cum laude, J.D. from New York Law School, magna cum laude, and M.B.A. from Florida Atlantic University, magna cum laude.



Michael J. Gray

Michael Gray, named by Forbes in its 2024 inaugural list of "America's Top 200 Lawyers," is recognized as one of the country's leading corporate advisors and employment litigators. An accomplished trial lawyer, he is known for his achievements in managing and resolving mass litigation, class action and multiplaintiff employment discrimination and wage-hour lawsuits, high-level investigations, governance and DEI matters, biometric and tort litigation, TVPRA (trafficking victims) cases, and trade secret and restrictive covenant disputes. Michael brings a creative, business-minded approach to problem solving, assisting the largest private equity and corporate firms with complex global issues.

A member of The Legal 500 Hall of Fame and highly ranked by Chambers for the last 17 years, clients praise him by stating "he's the guy I want in front of the judge" and "his approach is unique and he gets exceptional results." Michael serves as global co-Client Affairs Partner for the Firm and served as co-leader of the Labor & Employment Practice.

Michael was named an Employment Trailblazer by The National Law Journal, a "Leading Corporate Employment Lawyer" by Lawdragon, and a 2023 Notable Leader by Crain's Chicago Business. He is a frequent speaker and a member of the Advisory Board of The Cornell Institute for Hospitality Labor and Employment Relations and NYU Law's Center for Labor and Employment Law.

Michael is a leader in combatting hate and antisemitism and promoting health equity. He is a member of the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center Executive Committee, a co-founder of the American Heart Association Counsel for a Cause campaign, and received the 2024 IHMEC Humanitarian of the Year Award and the American Heart Association's 2024 Hasbrouck Heart Award for exceptional community leadership and a passion for improving the lives around him.



CRAIG R. WEINER

- President of Craig R. Weiner Associates, Inc., a real estate development and investment company established in South Florida since 1977.
- His career involved all aspects of the commercial and residential real estate industry including property management, real estate investments, syndications and partnerships, financing, brokerage, ownership and project development. Mr. Weiner has been awarded commendations and/or “Keys to the City” for outstanding projects that his company developed in Sunrise, Florida, Bushnell, Florida, Coral Springs, Florida, Weston, Florida and Citrus County, Florida.
- Craig and his wife Barbara are the Founders of the educational organization - Holocaust Learning and Education Fund, Inc., a non-profit organization that promotes and conducts the teaching of Holocaust Education. The organization provides Holocaust education to Palm Beach County Public and private schools as well as to Broward County Public and private schools. This organization was founded by the Weiners in 2011 as their way of “giving back” to America through education.
- President and Founder of the Holocaust Museums of South Florida. Museums are located on the campus of Nova Southeastern University – opened 2016, and Florida Atlantic University opening December, 2026. The Weiner family has permanently endowed these museums so that they will remain open for all future generations to learn from. The mission of these museums is to teach our nation’s students the importance of learning, through Holocaust history, the importance of standing up against all forms of hate, prejudice, intolerance and bullying .
- The museum has conducted programs and training sessions for the FBI, the Broward Sheriff, the Boys and Girls Clubs, and several other groups. The museum is visited throughout the school year by middle and high schools for a full day of Holocaust education.
- The Weiners founded and have permanently endowed the Florida statewide Holocaust Reflection Contest in which students and teachers from all middle and high schools throughout Florida are eligible to participate. It is now in its 11th year and is the most successful student and teacher contest in Florida. Florida Atlantic University is the new home of the Holocaust Reflection Contest (formerly at NSU).

- Education includes a Bachelor of Commerce degree - Economics (1971) – Concordia University, Montreal, Canada. Additionally, Mr. Weiner has taught investments and economics at the Bronfman Center, Montreal, Canada, as well as lecturing in real estate investments and economics at Northern Trust Company. He also served as a guest lecturer on real estate and entrepreneurship at the HuiZenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship at Nova Southeastern University.

- Craig and Barbara Weiner are honored to be permanently engraved on the Donor Wall of the USHMM in Washington, DC.