



Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, May 26, 2010 – 9:30 a.m.  
Boca Raton Campus – ADM 305  
777 Glades Road  
Boca Raton, FL 33431

Chairwoman Nancy Blosser convened the full board meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees at with the following members participating:

Crudele, Interim

Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration; Dr. Joyanne Stephens, Vice President and Associate Provost for Regional Campuses; and Dr. Charles Brown, Senior Vice President of Student Affairs.

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I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairwoman Nancy Blosser convened the full board meeting.

II. Chair's Report

Trustee Blosser provided an update on the recent events that have taken place within the university community. On May 5, 2010, the Honors Hall of Fame Recipient and Distinguished Award Reception took place with over 200 people in attendance to honor and pay respect to those being honored. During this prestigious ceremony, Mr. Jeremy Murphy was inducted into the Hall of Fame. Mr. Murphy, who received his Bachelor's Degree from Florida Atlantic University in 1998, currently holds the position of Vice President of Communication for CBS. Trustee Anthony Barbar was also honored as a distinguished alumnus.

Trustee Blosser thanked Trustees Sherry Plymale, Armand Grossman, Anthony Barbar and Timothy Lenz for the valuable roles they each executed towards the success of the Commencement Ceremonies which took place on May 6 and May 7, 2010.



### III. President's Report

Dr. John Pritchett thanked the Board of Trustees for their support and the opportunity to serve as Interim President. He also extended a special thank you and appreciation for the dedication that Chairwoman Blosser, Mr. David Kian and Dr. Michael Friedland offered through the phases of establishing the medical program at the university. He stated that while there has been much progress, accreditation with the LCME is still pending and the program remains a work in progress. Dr. Pritchett also thanked Mr. Dennis Crudele and Mr. David Kian for their hard work and tireless effort towards the Stadium project. Dr. Pritchett said that he has enjoyed the wonderful years with the university and will continue to provide full support and dedication to the mission.

### IV. Approval of Minutes

There was a motion to approve the March 3, 2010 and the March 24, 2010 meetings by Trustee Robert Stilley. The motion was seconded by Trustee Robert Rubin. The motion passed unanimously.

### V. Consent Agenda

Trustee Blosser removed Item V. Joint Strategic Planning Committee/ Committee on Academic and Student Affairs and placed on the Action Agenda. The motion for approval of the consent agenda was made by Trustee Bryant and seconded. Motion was cleared unanimously.

### VI. Action Agenda

Trustee Barbar presented on behalf of the Strategic Planning Committee the item SPAS: A-1: Approval of the Naming of the New Athletics Tickets/ Administrative Building and Certain Minor Elements of the Proposed Football Stadium. Trustee Barbar stated that as discussed in the last meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee/ Committee on Academic and Student Affairs, the new Athletic Ticket Administration office will be renamed the Wally Sanger Owl Club Center. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Gupta and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Barbar also presented the item SPAS: Approval to Rededicate the Link Building as the "Edwin A. Link Building" on the Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute Campus. Trustee Barbar stated that this is to honor Mr. Edwin A. Link and it is recommended approval. The motion was made and seconded. With no further discussion the motion carried.

Trustee Blosser presented to the Board item V. Approval of Dr. Mary Jane Saunders President's Employment Agreement. On May 11, 2010 the Personnel and Compensation

Committee discussed in detail and unanimously approved the Employment Agreement as agreed upon by Dr. Saunders and the Committee. The Personnel and Compensation Committee was established for the purpose of reviewing, completing comparative analyses of, and recommending approval of employment agreements such as this. Trustee Blosser provided a highlight of the details of Dr. Saunders' agreement and offered to provide supplemental information as needed. Dr. Saunders' agreement is for a five year contract, with her starting date as June 7, 2010. The contract entails a \$345,000 salary with a fifteen percent deferred compensation package. With a combined breakdown of the contract agreement and the fifteen percent deferred compensation package, the compensation would total \$396,750. The contract will also include an annual bonus of up to \$50,000 which will be determined on the Board's satisfaction with goal completion of annual goals set by the President.

Trustees Timothy Lenz, Anthony Barbar, Robert Stilley, Thomas Workman, Rajendra Gupta and William Bryant thanked Dr. Pritchett for his hard work and dedication as Interim President. The Trustees also extended a special thank you to Chairwoman Blosser for her leadership during the transitional period that the University was facing. Trustee Armand Grossman offered congratulations to the seven students of FAU High School that participated in the commencement ceremony. He also offered congratulations to the FAU Baseball team on their championship games as well as to John Moor, Sun Belt Coach of the Year and FIU's short stop, Greg Wittels, who is tied at second place on his fifty consecutive game. Trustee Grossman also offered a special thank you to each and every student, alumni and faculty member that has served in the Armed Forces as we prepare for Memorial Day.

Trustee Ayden Maher also introduced himself to the Board and thanked Dr. Pritchett for his visibility during Student Government events. Trustee Maher also discussed the one million dollar donation that was made by Student Government, \$850,000 of which was donated by the Treasure Coast campuses' legislative body towards the FAU Stadium project. per discussions with Craig Angelos, Student Government will be issued within the Stadium as well as a designated area for tailgating and other events that will promote the traditional campus life.

#### X. Public Comments

Trustee Blosser offered an opportunity for members of the public to address the Board as needed and welcomed Mr. Joe Kaufman to voice his concerns. Mr. Joe Kaufman stated allegations of physical assault by Professor Alhalabi on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2010 during an event in Tallahassee, Florida. Mr. Kaufman inquired about the process in which disciplinary action is taken against individuals within the university that do not abide to the laws. Mr. Kaufman stated that the alleged assault was a result of several written articles that Mr. Kaufman has written that have labeled Professor Alhalabi

