

FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING

January 18, 2006

Chairwoman Sherry Plymale convened the meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees (BOT) at 10:05 a.m. with the following members present:

Scott Adams, Nancy Blosser, Bill Bryant, David Feder, Rajendra Gupta, Lalita Janke, Roy Levow, Norman Tripp, Dan Wilson and George Zoley. Trustee Armand Grossman participated by phone.

Absent: Ginny Miller.

Chair Plymale reported on major issues discussed at a recent meeting of BOT Chairs. These are part of the Amendment 11 mediation, proposing to give authority to the BOG:

Tuition flexibility for university boards - the BOG has decided to give their

September 12 and 13 – BOT Retreat – focus will be on Board self-evaluation and goal setting.

### **III. Greetings from Indian River Community College**

Chair Plymale introduced Dr. Harvey Arnold, Provost, who welcomed the Board and President Brogan to the IRCC/FAU Joint Use Campus.

### **IV. MY FAU: The Treasure Coast Campus – Gerri McPherson**

Gerri McPherson, Vice President of Treasure Coast campus, welcomed visitors and gave a short history of the campus, along with a PowerPoint presentation of the campus and its facilities.

### **V. Report of the Audit and Finance Committee – Chair Norman Tripp**

Trustee Tripp asked Trustee Bill Bryant to give a short report on the Diversity Committee which he chairs. Dr. Bryant noted that racial and ethnic diversity throughout the University will be part of the Strategic Plan.

#### **1. Action Items**

- i. Chair Tripp recommended approval of the Affiliation Agreement with the University of Miami and Boca Raton Community Hospital (BRCH) for the establishment of a regional academic medical center on the FAU Boca Raton campus. **A motion was made to approve the Agreement. Motion passed unanimously.**

Chair Tripp and General Counsel David Kian briefly discussed where we are currently. We do have a letter agreement with the University of Miami that says if our agreement with BRCH does not take place, we will then go back to the table and modify this agreement with the intent that the relationship and the school will go forward. We are planning to continue with the medical school whether or not we have an affiliation with BRCH. We will renegotiate a new agreement if BRCH does not happen. The timeline for students will not be affected. We want BRCH to partner in this but if this does not happen, we will go ahead with other hospitals. If no agreement is reached with any of the parties involved, the location of classes might change, students would still be students in the medical program. No student would lose if no agreement is reached.

- ii. Chair Tripp recommended approval of an amendment to the January 12, 2005 Memorandum of Understanding with the BRCH. Originally there was a 12-month provision to come back with an agreement regarding the land but Dr. Friedland and David Kian have asked for an additional six months to conclude the transaction and also to allow a possible modification in the compensation

BRCH will provide, allowing them some leeway as they are negotiating further. **A motion was made to approve the amendment and modification. Motion passed unanimously.**

**VI. Report of the Strategic Planning Committee -- Chair Nancy Blosser**

1. Action Items:
  - i. Chair Blosser recommended approval of the Master plans for the Davie and Port St. Lucie campuses. **A motion was made to approve the plans. Motion passed unanimously.**
  - ii. Chair Blosser recommended approval of the Biomedical Program Lease for FAU Research Park. **A motion was made to approve the lease. Motion passed unanimously.**
  - iii. Kristen Murtaugh and Trustee Blosser jointly presented an overview of the process of developing the FAU Strategic Plan. Nancy Blosser then outlined the next steps in the Process and thanked everyone involved in the various phases of the Plan. **A motion was made to approve the Strategic Plan. Motion passed unanimously.**

**VII. Report on FAU'S Legislative Priorities -- Tom Barlow**

Tom Barlow, Director of Governmental Relations, reported on the 2006 Legislative Initiatives: the Medical Program, St. Lucie Building, St. Lucie Programs, Davie Campus, Hurricane Recovery, Distributed Campus, Bio-One, Florida Israeli Institute, and the Forkas Building.

**VIII. President's Report**

The President's report included the following items:

1. Broward Legislative Delegation meeting – FAU will be asking for monetary assistance for construction of a new building and for hurricane recovery efforts.
2. Lifelong Learning – FAU will be opening a new building in Jupiter and will be expanding programs in Broward and Vero Beach.
3. Scripps Update -- FAU has a direct role in four proposed sites: Boca, Mecca, Jupiter/Abacoa and FL Research Park. February 15 is the date for the County Commission review. The research affiliation agreement is complete and the academic affiliation agreement is presently being scrutinized by counsel for both sides.
4. Staff Changes and Updates:

Dr. Lawrence Davenport is now Executive Vice President, University Advancement;  
Will Ferrell has been selected as the new FAU Chief of Police;  
Dr. Michael Friedland is now Vice President for Medical Programs;  
Dr. Jennifer O'Flannery is the new BOT Liaison.  
Bob Friedman, University Architect and Vice President, and Manny Newsome, Vice President for Student Affairs, are retiring and searches are currently underway for replacements.

5. Searches are also being conducted for Deans of Science, Business, and Honors.

**IX. BOT Member Comments**

None

**X. Old Business/New Business**

None

**XI. Public Comment**

None

**XII. Meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.**