

FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 1, 2001  
John D. MacArthur Campus  
Jupiter, FL 33457

Chairman, John W. Temple, convened the meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees at the John D. MacArthur Campus, at 10:05 am with the following members present:

Scott Adams, Nancy Blosser, Bill Bryant, E. Llwyd Ecclestone, Burak Kuntay, Virginia Miller, Gerri McPherson, Sherry Plymale, John W. Temple, Norman D. Tripp and George C. Zoley.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - JOHN TEMPLE, Chairman

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the September 4, 2001 meeting. There being no changes or corrections, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Comment: Members would like to receive the minutes earlier

2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - JOHN TEMPLE

A. How often to meet and formation of committees

The Chairman preferred to meet when there was a need to take care of business, not being in favor of a lot of meetings. Dr. Catanese and Mr. Temple indicated the need for some committees, but felt this would not be necessary until there was more activity to warrant committee action. At this point of the Board development, Mr. Temple would prefer that the whole Board be involved. Until there is sufficient activity, no committees will be set up.

B. Advisory Committees

Board members are all ex-officio members of the Broward Advisory Board and the advisory committees at MacArthur and Treasure Coast. Ken Pruitt will chair the Treasure Coast Advisory Committee. Dr. Catanese will provide the membership list for the Broward Advisory Board. All members are invited to attend as the meetings give useful local perspectives. Board members are not required to attend. There are no minutes taken at the Advisory Committee meetings.

C. Phil Handy, Chairman, Florida Board of Education and Jim Home, Secretary of Education, are interested in attending the next scheduled meeting to speak to the Board.

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Dr. Anthony J. Catanese, President

## A. Enrollment

Final numbers are now in for the fall enrollment and we have passed 25,000 students. According to the American Association of State Colleges and Universities we are the fastest growing university in the United States with an increase of 18% this year.

Diversity - 18% of our students are African-American (only FAMU has more African-Americans), 14% Hispanic (only FIU has more Hispanics). Our student population is 35% minority, which is the most diverse in the State.

### Governor's One-Florida Plan - FAU Results

Dr. Newsome, Senior Vice President for Student Affairs, reports that 28% of our new African-American and 15% of our new Hispanic students have been admitted under the One-Florida Plan.

## B. State University Presidents Association (SUPA)

State university presidents met with the community college presidents on September 19, 2001. Phil Handy and Jim Horne were also present.

Most important item of discussion was the need to work with the Florida legislature to finish the job of reorganization. Many details still need to be worked out to complete the transfer of authorities to the Boards of Trustees. The position of the presidents on this matter will be expressed to the Board of Education as soon as a consensus is reached.

Boards of Trustees are not being treated as a 'body corporate'. SUPA supports the recommendations of the Handy Commission, and urges the legislature to accept them. At least give the University Boards of Trustees the same power and authority afforded to the Community College Boards. It was noted that there might be some opposition and University Trustees may be called upon to assist in the lobbying efforts. Mr. Ecclestone requested a full copy of the Handy Commission report. President Catanese will provide the Executive Summary which addresses the main items of: completion of autonomy of the Board of Trustees; non state agency status; evolution of power of the Board of Education; and budgeting flexibility, giving the Board the financial authority it needs. The legislative bill will come from the Florida Board of Education and Legislative-Senate Education Committee. The academic and fiscal areas are working on language now before it is given to General Counsel.

## C. Strategic Planning

The Board of Regents required an academic master plan every five years. FAU has developed its own ten-year strategic plan, for future growth and development. The Executive Summary of the plan was previously given to the FAU Trustees. A detailed presentation of the Strategic Plan will be given at the next scheduled meeting of the Board.

#### D. Recent Tragedies

The University has cooperated with the FBI and University Police in light of the recent tragedy in New York, Washington and Pennsylvania. We need to be cautious about overreacting with our outstanding foreign students. There has only been one reported incident of harassment reported at the University. There were five bomb threats, all were hoaxes. Perpetrators will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. FAU has a zero tolerance policy on campus regarding violence and threats of violence and we remain firm in our commitment to safety.

#### 4. FINANCE - Dr. Kenneth Jessell, Senior Vice President for Finance and Chief Operating Officer

Handouts - 2001-2002 Operating Budget Report  
Financial Affairs  
Collective Bargaining Agreement

##### A. Approval of 2002-2003 Legislative Budget Request

The budget was approved by the Florida Board of Education at the end of August. Enrollment growth of 863 FTE translates to new funding of \$7,741,375.

##### University Priorities

The projected FAU share of the approved system funding (\$15,955,220) is \$1,200,000. University priorities for any special funding appropriated are:

Partnership for Quality Medical Education	\$2,800,000
Partnership in Marine Science with Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute	997,860
Teaching and Leadership Center Partnership with School Board of Broward County and Broward Community College	388,310
Technology Support Infrastructure	1,875,000
Honors College Upper Level Curriculum	800,000

Discussion regarding clarification of unified budget ensued. Mr. Tripp understood that all Boards of Trustees in the state would be unified and lobby for monies jointly to obtain funding, thus eliminating the need to fight for individual projects. President Catanese clarified that a "unified budget" would not occur until next year and that each university was still putting forth their own requests for special priorities.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the five priorities. Vote taken; 10 in favor, one opposed. Discussion followed. Scott Adams felt it would be beneficial to speak with other universities to pick similar computing tools. Dr. Jessell responded that the universities are trying to standardize their software to achieve maximum economic benefit

and reduce duplication. However, the universities are evolving at different rates and needs are being assessed differently at each university.

Burak Kuntay opposed the five-percent tuition increase proposal and in principal did not support priorities that used this increase.

The three-year Public Education Capital Outlay (PECO) list by project was approved by the State Board of Education on September 20, 2001. It included utilities infrastructure, student support services building, North Palm Beach campus library expansion and the College of Business expansion and remodeling.

Joint use facilities are likely to be a priority next year. FAU proposes the following list of projects.

Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute Facility	11,000,000
Vero Beach Campus Joint Use Facility (with IRCC)	22,000,000
Pembroke Pines Campus Joint Use Facility (with BCC)	5,000,000
Davie Campus Joint Use Facility (with BCC)	22,500,000
Boca Raton Campus Joint Use Classroom Facility (with PBCC)	16,000,000

Funding for these projects is shared equally by the respective institutions.

A motion to approve the Joint Use Facilities request passed unanimously.

#### B. University Operating Budget for FY 2001-2002

Total operating budget is \$307,777,523. This is a combination of state funds (E&G and lottery), tuition, student fees, grants and contracts and auxiliaries. Auxiliary enterprises represent a 44 percent increase over prior year expenditures. This increase was a direct result of opening the new 604-bed residence hall on the Boca Raton campus and 144-bed residence hall at the Honors College.

A motion to approve the University Operating Budget passed unanimously.

#### C. Salary Increases

This item is presented for information purposes only. The University is still a state agency. The State Board of Education is serving this year as the agent of collective bargaining. Raises are funded at 2.5 percent to begin on November 1, 2001. Promotional increases of 9 percent must come from this pool. The minimum raise will be \$600. Every year the university asks for performance based and merit increases. It is the hope of the President that the legislature will allow the Board of Trustees to determine salary increases criteria.

#### D. Revenue Shortfall

The state is experiencing a significant revenue shortfall, which is expected to lead to a budget reduction of 5 to 6 percent at best (up to \$8 million dollars). An immediate freeze on travel, operating expense, and positions has been imposed. Senior Vice Presidents can approve special circumstances. The University is trying to avoid layoffs. This can be accomplished by restricting expenditures in all areas of the university and all budget categories.

5. FACILITIES: MASTER PLAN - Mr. Robert Friedman, University Architect and Vice President

Handout - Master Plan Update Boca Campus

A letter from Chairman John Temple was entered into the record. Because the master plan includes a small expansion of the Research and Development Park, Mr. Temple will abstain from any vote on this agenda item.

There was discussion as to whether the Board was prepared to vote on this item. The Board was assured that this is an evolving process and they would be voting on an amendment to the plan in principle.

Current construction and pending projects include:

- " Science Neighborhood
- " The renovation of Sanson Science and Biological Sciences buildings (2001)
- " Biomedical building and auditorium (2001)
- " Student Areas
- " One Stop Student Services Building (2002)
- " Student Activities Center and University Center (2001)
- " Housing
  - Residence Halls - 604 rooms (opened 8/2001)
    - Three dorms off line - will demolish and build new 600-bed facility
    - Apartments - addition of two mid-rise buildings (2004 and 2006)
    - Greek Housing, venture with private developers (2004)
- " Athletics
- " Expansion of Baseball stadium (2004)
- " Wellness Center (2006)
- " Arena/Convocation Center (2004)
- " Conservation Element
  - Green Corridor established around the university, 83 acres of conservation to include a conservation management plan
- " Transportation Element
  - Loop Road around the central portion of the campus to be completed by 2006
    - Fifth Avenue Connectors - four proposed (2 in 2004 and 2 in 2007)
  - Direct Connect to I95 - Florida Department of Transportation is funding a study of the planning

The acceptance of the Master Plan will be in four phases:

- " Board of Trustees Approval of Master Plan Amendment
- " Consummate Negotiations with City of Boca Raton (Campus Development Agreement-CDA)
- " Board of Trustees Approval of CDA
- " Submit CDA to the Board of Education for Action

Mr. Friedman received a letter from the City of Boca Raton in which they agreed to the following changes:

- " Acquisition and development of the Pugliese property to be removed from list.
- " Lamson property at north end of the campus to be removed from list
- " Proposed football stadium - do not select FAU campus site unless the University has solved the connection to I95 thereby eliminating question of traffic congestion on Glades Road.

There are still some outstanding issues with the City of Boca Raton.

- " The City would like a surcharge to all event tickets of \$1.00 to support infrastructure. This is unlawful because we already pay them concurrency fees.
- " The City would like a location on campus for a fire training facility. This request is impossible in light of the current construction needs.

A motion to approve the Master Plan Amendment in principle was made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Approval was given to approve the plan in principle since it is in the planning stage. The City of Boca Raton will also review and have their comments in two weeks. The Master Plan will be added to the agenda of the November meeting for phase two discussion and approval.

#### 6. ROLE OF THE FACULTY - Dr. Richard Osburn, University Provost and Chief Academic Officer

Handouts - Alumni Survey Summary Results  
Role of the Faculty at Florida Atlantic University

The results of the alumni survey were briefly reviewed.

The role of the faculty includes three major components:

1. Teaching - classroom instruction, interaction, tutoring, new course development and remaining current in their respective areas.
2. Research - conduct, define, funding, supervise students, write and publish
3. Service - professional expertise, review manuscripts/grant proposals, advise junior faculty, interact with community

Faculty Governance is made up of the University Faculty Council, a governance body that deals with general university educational policy. The Campus Senate is established on

each campus for the purpose of campus faculty governance. The College Assemblies are at the individual colleges and were established for purposes of faculty governance at the college level. Dr. Fred Hoffman, Chairman of the UFC, spoke on university governance from the faculty perspective.

Positive reasons for the use of adjuncts were given but concerns do exist regarding the number and their relationships to overall university operations.

Burak Kuntay asked about the employee tuition waiver plan which was abolished by the Legislature. The Provost responded that the university has implemented its own replacement scholarship program.

7. TENURE AS A CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT - Dr. Richard Osburn

A brief description of the tenure process and the practice of offering tenure to new senior hires who had already earned tenure at their previous institutions was given. Once the Board of Trustees approves, the names are forwarded to the Florida Board of Education for approval.

A motion was made and seconded to approve tenure as a condition of employment for four recently hired faculty:

Dr. Larry Lemanski, Vice President of Research  
Dr. Gregory Aloia, Dean, College of Education  
Dr. Mary Cameron, Director of Women's Studies  
Dr. Stephan Nix, Chairman, Department of Civil Engineering

The motion was passed unanimously.

8. TRUSTEE TERMS

The Board was given a list of the membership showing their terms of service as determined by the Governor's office.

9. OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Ondina Felipe, General Counsel, provided copies of her presentation from the September 4, 2001 meeting, along with Chapter 6C5 of the Florida Administrative Code (FAU Rules) and Part 1 of the newly enacted "Florida Educational Governance Reorganization Implementation Act."

Sherry Plymale urged the need for bylaws to cover legalities of meetings and operating principles. It was suggested that Mr. Handy and Mr. Horne might give direction to these points when they come before the Board.

Ms. Felipe will work with Sherry Plymale and Norman Tripp to begin development of bylaws or operating principles. An outline will be presented at the next meeting.

A meeting schedule for the year was requested. Discussion ensued as to the number of times to meet without resolution being reached.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

David Lee - United Faculty of FAU  
Agustin Casero - FAU Student "SG Program Board"

11. NEXT AGENDA

Items to be discussed at the next Board meeting will include the Strategic Plan, Campus Development Agreement, Legislative Update, and Meeting Schedule and Bylaws.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The Board was asked to remain for a press conference announcing the \$2 million gift to the Honors College from the William R. Kenan Jr. Charitable Trust. The funds will be used to establish a scholarship program named for Henry M. Flagler.

Chairman Temple adjourned the meeting of Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees at 2:55 p.m.