



**Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, March 21, 2007 - 10 AM  
SeaTech Campus  
101 North Beach Road, Rm# 250  
Dania Beach, FL 33004**

Chairman Norman Tripp convened the meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees (BOT) at 10:00 a.m. with the following members participating:

Scott Adams, Nancy Blosser, Bill Bryant, David Feder, Armand Grossman, Rajendra

and dinner following, rather than having the workshop, reception/dinner, and meetings spanned over two days. Trustee Tripp stated that due to the fact that FAU's service area is so broad, in order to spend time in each service area and to connect with the community meetings can not be accomplished in one day. Trustee Feder asked if it was possible to condense the meetings to dinner in the evenings and then meet the following day. Trustee Lalita Janke stated that when the trustees meet at the receptions and dinners it gives the trustees the opportunity to meet all of the educators and staff from the different campuses. Trustee Tripp reiterated that the trustees can not connect with the university if they only attend the meetings for three to four hours, listen to presentations, and then leave. These receptions/dinners are to help the trustees to identify where the need is and how they can serve the university better.

Trustee Tripp discussed FAU days. He thanked all of the trustees who participated. FAU Days included three days of events and meetings with legislators. On Monday, there were meetings with legislators and the alumni reception. Tuesday, The FAU choral group opened the Senate session. The Senate President recognized President Frank Brogan and recognized Trustee Austin Shaw for his acceptance to Oxford. Senator Atwater introduced a resolution in FAU's honor on the Senate floor. On Wednesday, there was a selection of exhibits highlighting FAU on the second floor of the Capitol. The Trustees met with more than fifteen lawmakers, including the Senate President. Trustee Tripp, Trustee Armand Grossman, President Brogan, and Mr. Tom Barlow met with Governor Charlie Crist. President Brogan met with the speaker of the House Marco Rubio.

Trustee Tripp discussed Florida Board of Governor's (BOG) relations. BOT members had lunch with Chancellor Mark Rosenburg while in Tallahassee for FAU Days. President Brogan and Trustee Tripp met with BOG members, Mr. John Temple and Dr. Zachariah Zachariah. They are FAU's local advocates. In preparation for the marketing and athletic workshops, Trustee Tripp met with Aileen Izquierdo and Craig Angelos. The workshops assisted the trustees understand where FAU was and where it is going in marketing and athletics.

Trustee Tripp will be hosting Senator Jeremy Ring and former Senator Skip Campbell for lunch. Trustee Tripp stated that it is important to build the relationship with Senator Ring who will serve FAU well. Trustee Tripp hosted a meeting and luncheon at his firm's office for Representative Adam Hasner. Both representatives covered the cost of their meals. Trustee Tripp hosted Mr. Vernon Hill, President and Ch

Trustee Tripp asked Dr. John Pritchett to do a brief report on Lifelong Learning. President Brogan commented that the workshops help the BOT and the administration to organize the information that is understandable and seek input on how to make it better.

#### **IV. Audit and Finance Committee**

Trustee Nancy Blosser reported that the Audit and Finance Committee met on February 21, 2007. One agenda item resulted in motions to come before the BOT for approval. Due to the excellent attendance at that meeting, this item was fully vetted. Provided there were no questions or further discussions the Chair set a motion for approval without a presentation.

**AF: A-1. Request for Approval of Increase in Instructional Materials and Supplies Fees for 2007-08.** There was a motion to approve the increase in materials and supplies fees for 2007-08. The motion was seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

President Brogan commented that the BOT has a commitment beyond the full board meetings and committee meetings to gain knowledge regarding the issues.

#### **V. Strategic Planning Committee**

Trustee Scott Adams reported that the Strategic Planning Committee met on February 21, 2007. One agenda item resulted in motions to come before the BOT for approval. Due to the excellent attendance at that meeting, this item was fully vetted. Provided there were no questions or further discussions the Chair set a motion for approval without a presentation.

**SP: A-1. Davie Master Plan.** There was a motion to recommend approval of the adoption of the Davie Master Plan. The motion was seconded. **The motion passed unanimously.**

#### **VI. Committee on Academic and Student Affairs**

Trustee Armand Grossman reported that the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs met on February 21, 2007. There were two agenda items toti.20 Tc.185revi5 TDFAU enrolls(s)-2.6( Tw4nationcelsjeh

President Brogan commented that this approval completes the collective bargaining process for this year. The next round of collective bargaining includes both the United Faculty of Florida

addition of two representatives from FAU. HBOI is approximately 525 acres in its entirety. The State of Florida, through Florida Forever, is interested in acquiring a portion of this property to set aside for future generations. St. Lucie County is interested in partnering with the State of Florida to purchase approximately 250 acres of the HBOI land. Approximately 125 acres would be dedicated to FAU. The remaining acreage could remain under the control of the DSO, with the stipulation that any use of the property would have to be cleared through the FAU BOT. Trustee Sherry Plymale asked if the 125 acres was deeded to FAU or deeded to the internal trust fund. Mr. David Kian responded that by statute FAU BOT can hold title to the land and it would be deeded to FAU.

President Brogan stated that there two existing loans and under the present proposal money that comes from the State of Florida for the purchase of the property by the county and the state would go to HBOI's endowment and would be dedicated to eliminating the debt. HBOI has two pots of debt of approximately \$10 million and \$12 million. The remaining \$40 million will be secured as the endowment and would continue to earn interest to be used for the enhancement of HBOI.

President Brogan reviewed the funding requirements from the Florida Legislature. FAU is requesting up to \$13 million in recurring state funding needed to cover the operational costs. They are also requesting up to \$44.5 million in one-time state funding for IRM infrastructure, on-site science expansion, site conditions and environmental issues, deferred maintenance, demolition of older damaged buildings, and construction of a new facility. It was requested of the Senate to approve the recurring state funding and to receive one time state funding to begin to demolish and renovate existing buildings. The immediate demolishing and renovation will not take \$44.5 million, more in the ballpark of \$14-15 million. In the future FAU can begin the discussion on what facilities are needed to grow HBOI.

The partnership of HBOI and FAU provides long-term benefits to the State of Florida and its citizens by preserving the environmentally sensitive land at HBOI, preserving HBOI as an internationally know research institute, enhancing opportunities for collaborations, and promoting economic development for the region and the State of Florida. President Brogan asked the BOT for an endorsement of the union of FAU and HBOI.

Trustee Tripp initiated board discussions. Trustee Rajendra Gupta asked if FAU has to pay for the 125 acres. Trustee Tripp responded that the State would pay for the 125 as a part of the partnership. Trustee Gupta asked what the \$44.5 million would cover. President Brogan commented that the demolition, renovation, deferred maintenance, and a new facility. FAU is proposing that the demolition, renovation, and deferred maintenance be addressed immediately. Trustee William Bryant had no questions or comments. Trustee Roy Levow commented that the partnership will be a good opportunity for FAU in terms of expanding research programs and bring prestige to the university. Trustee Levow offered his endorsement. Trustee Austin Shaw concurred with Trustee Levow. Trustee David Feder commented that the partnership will enhance the university. Should FAU get the financial backing from the State, it will be a good thing for FAU. Trustee Feder asked if it was possible to seek federal funding. President Brogan responded that no federal funding was being sought after at this time. Trustee Armand Grossman asked if there were currently classroom facilities at HBOI. Trustee Tripp responded that there are some existing classroom facilities at HBOI; FAU also has a point building at HBOI. President Brogan commented on the timing of the next BOT meeting to take place on the

Treasure Coast Campus in May. He stated that the legislative session will have ended and FAU will have a better idea of what will be funded towards this partnership. Trustee Grossman asked if additional classroom space will be added. Trustee Tripp asked Mr. Donaudy what the size of the building that was completed at HBOI. Mr. Donaudy stated the building is 40,000 square feet of laboratory space. Trustee Tripp reiterated that the upkeep of the current buildings have been difficult. There has to be discussion, if and when FAU receives funding from the State. President Brogan commented that the new building will not be a mirror of the old buildings it will include additional classroom space. Trustee Tripp asked if the new building would be covered by PECO funds. Dr. John Pritchett stated that FAU is trying to find alternate funding other than straight PECO funding. Dr. Ken Jessell commented that the money for the new building would be included in the \$44 million. Two approaches to the evaluation of the facility are to demolish the buildings slated for demolition and handle the deferred maintenance of the existing buildings. The alternative would be to do the complete demolition of all the buildings including the deferred maintenance buildings and to construct a new facility that would provide the appropriate space for research and teach

Stan Mayfield is the appropriations chair. Trustee Plymale asked if the recurring expenses are stand alone or is it a spot in FAU's budget. Dr. Pritchett responded it is a line item in FAU's budget. Trustee Plymale asked how is the FTE that FAU can get on the HBOI campus determined. Dr. Pritchett responded that HBOI will be a research institute under FAU. The number FTE will reflect a merger of a research institute. In the future there will be a possibility of graduate and undergraduate FTE. Trustee Tripp stated that it is FAU's goal is to teach on HBOI's campus. Trustee Plymale expressed her support of the partnership.

Trustee Nancy Blosser asked why HBOI Foundation will be the only DSO like it at FAU. President Brogan stated that HBOI will be different because FAU has not set up any other DSO other than the FAU Foundation. Trustee Blosser asked if the appointees to the HBOI Foundation be from the BOT. Mr. Kian stated per Florida Statute the one appointee will be designated by the BOT and one appointee designated by the President. Trustee Blosser asked if there is any reversion clause with the endowment that Mr. Johnson can withdraw his funds if he is not happy with the partnership. Mr. Kian stated that FAU is not privy to the gift instrument that established the HBOI Foundation. The BOT would have to certify that the HBOI Foundation is operating in



Grossman thanked Dr. Charles Brown for the copies of the campus newspaper. Trustee Feder asked if the campus newspaper could be included in Trustee updates. Trustee Shaw commented that the Student Government elections will be taking place March 27 and 28. Trustee Janke commended both Trustee Shaw and Trustee Levow for their hard work and contribution to the BOT.

**XIV. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**XIII. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 12:17 pm