

# Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 10, 2008

Chairwoman Nancy Blosser convened the meeting of the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees (BOT) at with the following members participating:

Trustees Scott Adams, Anthony Barbar, William Bryant, Abraham Cohen, David Feder, Armand Grossman, Rajendra Gupta, Lalita Janke, Sherry Plymale, Eric Shaw, Robert Stilley, and Tom Workman.

The following university officials participated:

Mr. Frank T. Brogan, President; Dr. John Pritchett, Provost; Mr. David Kian, General Counsel; Mr. Randy Goin, Chief of Staff & BOT Liaison; Dr. Ken Jessell, Vice President for Financial Affairs; Dr. Joyanne Stephens, Vice President for FAU's Broward Campuses; Ms. Gerri McPherson, Vice President for FAU's Treasure Coast Campus; Mr. Tom Donaudy, Vice President for Facilities; and Dr. Charles Brown, Vice President for Student Affairs.

#### I. Call to Order

Chairwoman Nancy Blosser convened the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

### II. Chair's Report

Trustee Blosser thanked deans and department heads for taking the time to meet with her and show her around the university. She discussed the Board of Governor's meeting and workshop on August 6-7, 2008, in which she participated via teleconference. She thanked Trustees Sherry Plymale, Robert Stilley, and Armand Grossman for attending on behalf of the BOT. Trustee Blosser informed the BOT that Chancellor Mark Rosenburg and BOG Chair Sheila McDevitt will be participating in the 2008 BOT Retreat. The next BOG meeting is September 24-25, 2008. The Board retreat will be held September 16-17, 2008. Trustees received a draft of the BOT retreat agenda. Also participating in the 2008 BOT retreat are Dr. Edward Massey, Indian River State College; Dr. Dennis Gallon, Palm Beach Community College; and President J. David Armstrong, Broward College for a panel discussion. Trustee Blosser reviewed the BOT draft agenda. Trustee Blosser reminded the BOT that football season has begun and encouraged the board to attend the home games. Trustee Blosser introduced the new intern for the BOT, Rachel Mondesir.

### III. President's Report

President Frank Brogan and Provost, Dr. John Pritchett met with the partner college Presidents and their chief academic officers from FAU's service area to discuss the changes in higher education in Florida. President Brogan provided an update on the budget situation. Governor Crist has established

the fact that he is meeting with the legislative budget committee to tap additional reserve funds to assist with the additional budget reductions. Fall term has begun with a record 11,000 applications for 2,400 spots for the freshman class, making FAU 27,000 students strong. Transfer student applications were up by 9%. The incoming freshman

- Fostering Student Success \$2.4 million
- Strengthening the Information Technology Infrastructure \$11.8 million
- Strategic Investment in Research \$7.6 million
- University-wide Academic Enhancement \$2.5 million
- Establishing an Academic Enhancement Endowment \$3.9 million
- Reward Faculty and Staff Contributions to FAU's Mission \$3.08 million

## VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:36 p.m.