

**THE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**



**BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
26 APRIL 2007**

I. Call to Order

Chairman David Parker convened the meeting of The Florida International University Board of Trustees at 9:05 a.m., on Thursday, 26 April 2007, via conference call.

The following attendance was recorded:

Present:

David Parker	Alfonso Leon
Betsy Atkins	Miriam Lopez
Albert Dotson	Claudia Puig
Patricia Frost	Rosa Sugrañes
Armando Guerra	Modesto Maidique
Bruce Hauptli	Larry Kahn, <i>Chairman FIU Foundation Board of Directors</i>
Kirk Landon	

II. Chairman's Remarks:

Chairman Parker welcomed all Trustees, University faculty and staff.

Chairman Parker extended the University's condolences and support to the entire Virginia Tech community, noting that the University sent a letter of condolence and support to the President Charles Steger, and to the Virginia Tech University community. Chairman Parker noted that the University held ceremonies of remembrance last week at University Park and Biscayne Bay Campus. He asked for a minute of silence in memory of the Virginia Tech victims and their families.

Chairman Parker thanked all of the Trustees and Directors who participated in the first ever joint Conference of the FIU Foundation Board of Directors and Board of Trustees April 19-21, noting that there was a very thorough discussion of issues that are key to the University's future course as a major research university. He added that the conference's strategic planning sessions focused on Board roles and responsibilities, Board leadership and setting priorities and goals.

Chairman Parker noted that in March several Trustees, FIU students, administrators and staff traveled to Tallahassee to lobby legislators and policy makers on the University's needs for the coming year. On behalf of the Board and the University, he thanked Trustees Dotson, Lopez, Puig and Foundation Director Joe Caruncho for their participation.

III. FIU Foundation Report

Foundation Chairman Larry Kahn reported on the Financial Statements Recap for the 8-month Period Ending February 28, 2007 and provided an update on Foundation investments as of March 31, 2007. He also reported on fundraising efforts and Alumni membership.

IV. Requests to Address the Board:

There were no requests to address the Board

V. University Report

President Maidique announced the appointment of Dr. Joe Leigh Simpson, a member of the National Academy of Science, as the University's College of Medicine's first Associate Executive Dean of Academic Affairs. President Maidique also announced the appointment of Dr. Luis Mirón as Dean of the College of Education, noting that he joined the University with a two-decade background in urban school reform and community development.

President Maidique also provided a Legislative update.

VI. Item for Board Consideration:

A. Action Item

1. Consent Agenda:

Chairman Parker requested comments on the items included in the Consent Agenda. Hearing none, the Board adopted the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the following matters included in the Consent Agenda are hereby approved:

- **MINUTES, 16 FEBRUARY 2007** (EXHIBIT "A")
- **BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ART** (EXHIBIT "B")
- **DEFERRED BONUS PLAN POLICY** (EXHIBIT "C")

2. Re-Adoption of the Revised University Traffic and Parking Regulations

CFO and Senior Vice President for Administration Vivian Sanchez presented the Re-adoption of the Revised University Traffic and Parking Regulations for Board review, noting that the increase in fees was a response to the need for additional access to on-campus parking.

After further discussion, the Board adopted the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Florida International University Board of Trustees (the BOT) is authorized to establish Traffic and Parking fees and regulations within the limits provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the proposed University Traffic and Parking Regulation FIU-1105 is revised primarily to reflect changes in the decal registration fees and is being presented for adoption;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the BOT adopts the following University Regulation, which is attached hereto as Exhibit "D":

- FIU-1105 – University Traffic and Parking Regulations

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, as the Regulation includes information on fees, the University Administration will submit the University Traffic and Parking Regulations FIU-1105 to the Florida Board of Governors for approval, as is required by the Florida Board of Governors Regulation Development Procedure for State University Boards of Trustees.

3. Athletic Fee

CFO and Senior Vice President for Administration Vivian Sanchez presented the Athletic Fee increase for Board review, noting that the increase represented a \$1.39 per student credit hour and will be used to help fund stadium expenses and high priority needs in the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics.

After further discussion, the Board adopted the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Florida International University Board of Trustees (the BOT) has the power to establish an Athletic Fee for the University pursuant to Board of Governor's Resolution adopted January 7, 2003, which references **Section 1009.24(8) and (11)**, Florida Statutes;

WHEREAS, the Athletic Fee Committee has approved, in the form attached as Exhibit "E" hereto, an increase in the Athletic Fee in the amount of \$1.39 per credit hour effective Fall 2007;

WHEREAS, the President has approved the fee increase after consultation with the Student Government president;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the BOT approves an Athletic Fee increase.

4. Committee Status Reports

Committee Chair Albert Dotson reported on items heard by the Administration and Athletics Committees. CFO and Sr. Vice President Vivian Sanchez and Provost and Executive Vice President Ronald Berkman provided reports on the work of the Finance and Audit Committee and the Academic Policy and Student Affairs Committee respectively. Sr. Vice President for External Relations Marcos Perez provided a Governmental Relations update. Chairman Parker thanked the Committees for their work noting that their careful review of university issues was of invaluable service to the entire Board.

VII. Other Business:

President Maidique announced the appointment of Trustee Rosa Sugrañes as Founding Chair of the University's Architecture and the Arts Advisory Board. Trustee Rosa Sugrañes noted that the retreat was very successful and was a reminder to Trustees of their roles and responsibilities to provide governance and oversight for the Institution but not to micromanage University operations.

VIII. Adjournment:

The meeting of the Florida International University Board of Trustees was adjourned on Thursday, 26 April 2007, at 10:06 a.m.

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David Parker
Chairman
FIU Board of Trustees

Modesto A. Maidique
Corporate Secretary
FIU Board of Trustees

Attachment: Exhibit "A," "B," "C," "D," & "E"