

## FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, January 30, 2013 12:00 p.m. Florida International University Modesto A. Maidique Campus Ronald W. Reagan Presidential House 10777 S.W. 16 Street Miami, Florida 33165

## **Membership**

Albert Maury, *Chair*Michael M. Adler, *Vice Chair*Sukrit Agrawal Jorge L. Arrizurieta
Cesar L. Alvarez Claudia Puig

## **AGENDA**

**Chairman Albert Maury** 

1. Call to Order and Chair's Remarks

Approval of Minutes

 Albert Maury

 Discussion on General Governance Matters

 Mark B. Rosenberg

 Strategic Challenges for 2013

 Mark B. Rosenberg

5. New Business (If any) Albert Maury

6. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment Albert Maury

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## **Executive Committee**

January 30, 2013

Subject: Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held January 9, 2012

## **Proposed Committee Action:**

Approval of Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on Monday, January 9, 2012, at the Modesto A. Maidique Campus, Ronald W. Reagan Presidential Home.

## **Background Information:**

Committee members will review and approve the Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on Monday, January 9, 2012 at the Modesto A. Maidique Campus, Ronald W. Reagan Presidential Home.

**Supporting Documentation:** Executive Committee Meeting Minutes: January 9,

2012

Facilitator/Presenter: Albert Maury, Board of Trustees Chair



# FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES JANUARY 9, 2012

## 1. Call to Order and Chair's Remarks

The Florida International University Board of Trustees' Executive Committee meeting was called to order by Board Chairman Albert Maury at 10:05 am on Monday, January 9, 2012, at the Modesto A. Maidique Campus, Ronald W. Reagan Presidential House.

The following attendance was recorded:

Present

Albert Maury, *Board Chair* Michael M. Adler, *Board Vice Chair* 

Sukrit Agrawal, Finance and Audit Committee Chair

Cesar L. Alvarez, Academic Policy and Student Affairs Committee Chair

Jorge L. Arrizurieta, Athletics Committee Chair

Claudia Puig, External Relations Committee Chair

Excused

Joseph L. Caruncho, Personnel Committee Chair

Trustee Thomas A. Breslin and President Mark B. Rosenberg were also in attendance.

## 2. Approval of Minutes

Board Chairman Albert Maury asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the July 12, 2011 Executive Committee meeting. Hearing none, a motion was made and passed to approve the Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, July 12, 2011.

## 3. Discussion on General Governance Matters

Chairman Maury noted that the Board's Executive Committee meetings would provide the venue for the discussion on critical topics and issues during periods between regularly scheduled Board meetings.

Chairman Maury stated that a select group will be traveling on behalf of FIU, as part of FIU Day in Tallahassee on Wednesday, January 25, 2012, to meet with Legislators and Legislative Staff members to present the priorities and objectives for the University's 2012-2013 appropriations.

Chairman Maury requested that President Mark B. Rosenberg provide a brief University update. President Rosenberg announced that the Board of Governors recently elected Dean Colson of Coral Florida International University Board of Trustees Executive Committee Minutes January 9, 2012 Page | 2

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Gables and Morteza "Mori" Hosseini as Chair and Vice Chair, respectively, for 2012-13. President Rosenberg noted that Chair Colson and Vice Chair Hosseini will preside at the Board of Governors meeting January 18-19, 2012 which will be in Tallahassee to coincide with the 60-day Regular Session of the Legislature.

## 4. Strategic Challenges for 2012

President Rosenberg noted that the University would closely monitor the current legislative session. He further noted that the state's Public Education Capital Outlay (PECO) is the primary source of funding for new teaching and research facilities, and to maintain the functionality of existing buildings, noting the misalignment in the University's critical facility needs and current PECO resources. He added that high priority projects are experiencing delays, while major preventative maintenance is not being addressed adequately.

Senior Vice President of Administration and Chief Financial Officer Kenneth A. Jessell noted that based on the latest projections, state revenue estimates for the 2012-13 fiscal year will experience an even greater decrease than what is expected for the current fiscal year. He added that revenue reductions are driven by a slower economic recovery. He stated that based on the projected revenues and expenditures, the state may experience a significant budget shortfall.

President Rosenberg noted that since April 2011, FIU and the City of Sweetwater have been involved in a meaningful dialogue concerning a unique partnership called "University City." He requested that Sr. VP Jessell provide an update on the University's ongoing relationship with the City of Sweetwater. Sr. VP Jessell noted that the partnership is evolving into a comprehensive relationship that is characterized by regular meetings, branding of the City, Grant advocacy and the University City Charrette. He stated that the vision of University City is a seamless transition of the City of Sweetwater and FIU in terms of mutually beneficial services, such as transportation, retail establishments and housing. He reported that the City is currently amending its Comprehensive Master Plan to accommodate the desired services, noting that a private developer has already acquired a parcel of land on 109th Avenue and is planning the construction of a 550 bed housing project to support FIU students, faculty and staff. He further noted that FIU is not guaranteeing any revenue or occupancy for the project, stating that due to site constraints, there is limited parking for the project but noted that FIU will allow student, faculty and staff residents with a valid parking permit to park on campus. He added that FIU will initially receive \$200,000 for student scholarships to support residents of the City and \$1.2 million if the agreement is renewed in 30 years. He further stated that future housing contemplated will have sufficient on-site parking and the City is planning the construction of a municipal parking garage nearby.

### 5. New Business

President Rosenberg announced that recent data released by the Florida Department of Education boasted system-wide success of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS). He noted that the data represented that more Miami-Dade county high schools have earned A and B grades from the State, adding that for the first time no Miami-Dade school received an F mark. He stated that through collaborative efforts, such as FIU's partnership with M-DCPS to offer increased opportunities for high school students to participate in accelerated programs and dual enrollment

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courses, positive impacts on student and school performance have been achieved.

President Rosenberg noted that the FIU Golden Panthers football team traveled to St. Petersburg, Florida last month to take part in the Beef 'O' Brady Bowl. He added that while victory was not achieved on the field, it provided FIU with another opportunity to participate in a nationally televised Bowl and for members of the University community to share in the experience. He introduced a video that highlighted the action and summarized the Beef 'O' Brady Bowl.

## 6. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment

With no other business, Chairman Albert Maury adjourned the meeting of the Florida International University Board of Trustees Executive Committee on Monday, January 9, 2012 at 11:55 am.

*MB 1.13.12*