



FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 23, 2021

1. Call to Order and Chair's Remarks

The Florida International University Board of Trustees' Governance Committee meeting was called to order by Board Chair Dean C. Colson on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 1:34 p.m. at the FIU, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, Graham Center Ballrooms and via Zoom.

General Counsel Carlos B. Castillo conducted roll call of the Governance Committee members and verified a quorum. Present were Trustees Dean C. Colson, *Board Chair*; Roger Tovar, *Board Vice Chair*; Leonard Board; Natasha Lowell; and Claudia Puig (*joined after roll call*).

Trustees Cesar L. Alvarez (*via Zoom*), Jose J. Armas, Donna J. Hrinak (*via Zoom*), Gene Prescott, Joerg Reinhold, Chanel T. Rowe, Marc D. Sarnoff, and Alexandra Valdes and University President Mark B. Rosenberg were also in attendance.

2. Approval of Minutes

Board Chair Colson asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the Governance Committee meeting held on December 3, 2020. A motion was made and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of the Governance Committee meeting held on December 3, 2020.

3. Action Item

G1. Direct Support Organizations Board Appointments

Senior Vice President for University Advancement Howard R. Lipman commented that, through its membership process, the FIU Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors vetted and voted upon the appointment of two (2) new directors, LaTéssa Denisa Dotson-Hall and Richard "Rick" Preston Tonkinson. Sr. VP Lipman remarked that the Foundation Board approved the appointment of said individuals to the Foundation Board and is now requesting that the FIU Board of Trustees approve the appointments.

A motion was made and unanimously passed that the FIU Board of Trustees Governance Committee recommend that the FIU Board of Trustees approve the appointment of the individuals listed in the board materials to the FIU Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors.

4. Discussion Item

4.1 2021 Board of Trustees Self Evaluation Survey

Board Chair Colson referred to the 2021 Board of Trustees Self Evaluation Survey results included as part of the agenda materials. He remarked that full Trustee participation was achieved as part of the current survey distribution, adding that a registered fourteenth response was likely the result of a Trustee inadvertently completing the survey twice. Chair Colson remarked on plans to engage with an external consultant to help guide the Board in the process of using the survey results to further enhance board effectiveness.

5. New Business

No new business was raised.

6. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment

With no other business, Board Chair Dean C. Colson adjourned the meeting of the Florida International University Board of Trustees Governance Committee on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 1:37 p.m.