



**FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FULL BOARD MEETING  
MAY 1, 2015  
MINUTES**

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

Chairman Albert Maury convened the meeting of the Florida International University Board of Trustees at 10:32 a.m., on Friday, May 1, 2015, via conference call.

The following attendance was recorded:

**Present:**

Albert Maury, *Chair*  
Claudia Puig, *Interim Vice Chair*  
Sukrit Agrawal  
Cesar L. Alvarez  
Jose J. Armas  
Jorge L. Arrizurieta  
Alexis Calatayud  
Gerald C. Grant, Jr.  
Natasha Lowell  
Kathleen L. Wilson

**Excused:**

Marcelo Claure  
Mayi de la Vega  
Justo L. Pozo

Chairman Maury welcomed all Trustees, University faculty and staff. He thanked all Trustees for making themselves available to participate in the conference call.

**2. Public Appearances**

*There were no public appearances.*

**3. Action Item**

**AP1. 2015 University Work Plan to the Board of Governors**

Trustee Cesar L. Alvarez, Chair of the Academic Policy and Student Affairs Committee, noted that the Committee met by phone earlier in the day to review the University's 2015-16 Work Plan. He requested that Provost and Executive Vice President Kenneth G. Furton present the Work Plan for the Board's consideration and approval. Provost Furton provided an overview of FIU's strengths and opportunities. He described three initiatives that address State University System key performance indicators and emphasize three primary areas of focus: academic quality, operational efficiency and return on investment.

Provost Furton delineated the goals related to Performance Based Funding Metrics and discussed planned growth for enrollment and distance learning as a percentage of total enrollment. He indicated that the University will continue to further efforts through the Graduation Success Initiative (GSI) to increase the 6-year baccalaureate graduation rate to 60%. He stated that FIU's STEM Transformation Institute continues to advance research and educational change through the undergraduate Learning Assistant and Faculty Scholar programs to foster the implementation of active learning.

Provost Furton indicated that recently completed agreements with the City of Miami Beach and the City of Doral will expand paid-internship opportunities in the University's Municipal Government Internship Program by 30 to 40 additional internships every semester. He stated that the University also expanded internship opportunities with Florida Power & Light (FPL) beyond the current on-campus FPL Call center program, raising the number to 113 part-time internship opportunities throughout its Florida network. He further noted that the University also continues to be a leader in the implementation of South Florida's Talent Development Network, which is the Beacon Council's One Community One Goal strategic plan focused on creating internship and job opportunities for students in seven strategic industries.

Provost Furton noted that prior to submission to the Florida Board of Governors, the Work Plan will be revised to reflect \$210.6M for the revenues of the local funds for other budget entities. He stated that the Academic Policy and Student Affairs Committee recommended revisions to the Work Plan, adding that the Key Initiatives and Investments section will be amended to note that the University's world class faculty is engaged in cutting-edge research and teaching and will also be expanded to mention the strategies being implemented to shift the culture to promote new pedagogies for faculty. He added that the Work Plan will also be amended to include reference to the University's plan to provide support to faculty in transforming traditional in-person classes to hybrid classes.

A motion was made and passed that the FIU Board of Trustees approve the 2015-16 University Work Plan.

#### **4. New Business**

*No new business was raised.*

#### **5. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment**

With no other business, Chairman Albert Maury adjourned the meeting of the Florida International University Board of Trustees on Friday, May 1, 2015 at 10:49 a.m.

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Albert Maury  
*Chairman*  
*FIU Board of Trustees*

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Mark B. Rosenberg  
*Corporate Secretary*  
*FIU Board of Trustees*