



**FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FULL BOARD MEETING**

Zoom Meeting  
Public access via <http://webcast.fiu.edu/>

**Wednesday, August 12, 2020**

**10:30 AM**

*or*

*Upon Adjournment of Previous Meeting*

**AGENDA**

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| 1. Call to Order and Chair's Remarks                    | Chair Dean C. Colson |
| 2. Public Appearances                                   | Dean C. Colson       |
| 3. President's Report                                   | Mark B. Rosenberg    |
| 4. Action Items                                         |                      |
| AP1. Honorary Degree Nomination                         | Natasha Lowell       |
| AP2. Regulation FIU-105 Sexual Misconduct (Title IX)    | Natasha Lowell       |
| AP3. Regulation FIU-2501 Student Conduct and Honor Code | Natasha Lowell       |
| 5. New Business <i>(If any)</i>                         | Dean C. Colson       |
| 6. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment                   | Dean C. Colson       |

*The next Full Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 9, 2020*

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**THE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY  
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August 12, 2020

**Subject: Honorary Degree Nomination**

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**Proposed Board Action:**

Endorse Hashim Al Abri as a recipient of an Honorary Bachelor of Business Administration from Florida International University.

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**Background Information:**

Mr. Hashim Al Abri is an Honors College student currently double majoring in International Business and Management at FIU.

On July 20, 2020, the Faculty Senate's Honorary Degree and Awards Committee unanimously recommended the approval of the honorary degree. On July 21, 2020, the Faculty Senate Steering Committee reviewed the recommendation from the Honorary Degree and Awards Committee and unanimously approved the nomination of Mr. Hashim Al Abri as a recipient of an Honorary Bachelor of Business Administration from Florida International University. Given the urgent and time sensitive matter, the Steering Committee approved the honorary degree on behalf of the Faculty Senate.

The nominee was approved by the University President and Provost to receive an honorary degree at Commencement.

Florida Board of Governors Regulation 3.004, Honorary Degrees, provides that each university board of trustees shall establish policies and procedures for recommending candidates for honorary degrees.

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**Supporting Documentation:** *Refer to Academic Policy and Student Affairs Committee Meeting agenda materials*

**Facilitator/Presenter:** *Natasha Lowell, Academic Policy and Student Affairs Committee Chair*

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**THE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY  
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**Subject: Approval of Amendments to Regulation FIU-105 Sexual Misconduct (Title IX)**

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**Proposed Board Action:**

Approval of the amendment of Regulation FIU-105 Sexual Misconduct (Title IX) including the renaming to Regulation FIU-105 Sexual Harassment (Title IX) and Sexual Misconduct.

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**Background information:**

Florida Board of Governors Regulation 1.001(5)(a), University Board of Trustees Powers and Duties, provides, in relevant part, that each boards of trustees shall provide for the establishment of "the personnel program for all the employees of the university, including ... standards for performance and conduct,... disciplinary actions, complaints, appeals and grievance procedures, and separation and termination from employment."

Florida Board of Governors Regulation 1.001(3)(j)(l) provides, in relevant part, that each board of trustees is authorized to promulgate university regulations in accordance with the Regulation Development Procedures adopted by the Board of Governors; and each board of trustees shall be responsible for campus safety and emergency preparedness, to include safety and security measures for university personnel, students and campus visitors.

Florida Board of Governors Regulation 6.0105(8), entitled Student Conduct and Discipline, in relevant part requires university Boards of Trustees to incorporate minimum standards into any process that evaluates whether a student is responsible for sexual misconduct, gender-based discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, or stalking.

Regulation FIU-105 Sexual Misconduct (Title IX) is substantially revised to comply with new U.S. Department of Education Office of Civil Rights (OCR) regulations on Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), which prohibits discrimination based on sex at federally funded institutions. OCR has indicated that colleges and universities must be in compliance by August 14, 2020.

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**Subject: Proposed Amendments to Regulation FIU-2501 Student Conduct and Honor Code**

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**Proposed Board Action:**

Approve the revisions to Regulation FIU-2501 Student Conduct and Honor Code, and delegate authority to the University President to approve any subsequent non-material amendments based on comments to the Regulation received from the Florida Board of Governors (BOG) or as a result of the regulation-making process.

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**Background information:**

Florida Board of Governors Regulations 1.001(4)(a)(10) and 6.0105 grant university boards of trustees authority to establish a student disciplinary system, including a code of conduct.

Florida Board of Governors Regulation 1.001(4)(a)(10) University Board of Trustees Powers and Duties, states in part as follows: “Each board of trustees shall adopt university regulations or policies, as appropriate, in areas including, but not limited to: ... uniform student code of conduct and related penalties.”

Florida Board of Governors Regulation 6.0105 Student Conduct and Discipline states in part as follows: “In furtherance of the educational mission of the universities, each university board of trustees shall establish a student disciplinary system, including a code of conduct...”

Regulation FIU-2501 Student Conduct and Honor Code is amended to remove all matters related to sexual misconduct and sexual harassment to be adjudicated under Regulation FIU-105 Sexual Misconduct (Title IX). Additionally, proposed amendments recommended for approval include: editorial changes; expanding the amnesty provisions under the Code; expanding the interim measures under the Code and adding the specific process of petitioning for review of an interim suspension; changing the restrictions related to probation under to Code to better align with the educational and developmental aims of the document; adding (and in some instances incorporating existing language from the Code) the following as distinct violations under the Code: assisting, failure to comply, harassment, and social host responsibility; and revising the length of the notation of suspension on a Respondent’s academic transcript.

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