



**FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Board Chair Roger Tovar meeting with Trustee Francis A. Hondal  
MINUTES  
August 28, 2023**

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

Board Chair Roger Tovar convened a meeting with Trustee Francis A. Hondal at 12:07 p.m. on Monday, August 28, 2023 at the FIU, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, Faculty Club.

Milly Bello, Corporate Secretary, confirmed the Trustees in attendance, namely, Roger Tovar, Board Chair and Francis A. Hondal.

Milly Bello was also in attendance.

**2. Discussion Item**

**2.1 New Trustee Welcome and Orientation**

Board Chair Tovar provided a brief overview of the Board's committee structure and discussed Trustee Hondal's service as Chair of the External Relations Committee. Trustee Hondal commented on an upcoming briefing with Sr. Vice President for Strategic Communications, Government and External Affairs Michelle L. Palacio. Board Chair Tovar and Trustee Hondal discussed the role of the External Relations Committee. Board Chair Tovar explained that except for the Governance Committee, the Board Chair, in consultation with the President, appoints members of Committees, their Chairs, and Vice Chairs based upon their expertise in matters relating to that Committee and may also remove any members. Board Chair Tovar requested that Trustee Hondal recommend members of the Board that, based on their expertise, could potentially serve on the External Relations Committee. He asked that Trustee Hondal provide said recommendation(s) to Ms. Bello.

Board Chair Tovar led discussions pertaining to rankings, athletics, and marketing.

**3. New Business**

No new business was raised.

**4. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment**

With no other business, Board Chair Roger Tovar adjourned the meeting with Trustee Francis A. Hondal on Monday, August 28, 2023 at 1:18 p.m.