



**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY AND STRATEGIC INITIATIVES
COMMITTEE MINUTES**

June 7, 2018

President's Room 215B, Emerson Alumni Hall

University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

Time Convened: 10:29 a.m. EDT

Time Adjourned: 12:46 p.m. EDT

1.0 Verification of Quorum

Vice President and General Counsel Amy Hass verified a quorum of the Committee on Educational Policy and Strategic Initiatives, with all Trustees present.

Members present were:

Jason J. Rosenberg (Chair), David L. Brandon, Ian M. Green, James W. Heavener, Mori Hosseini, Leonard H. Johnson, Thomas G. Kuntz, Daniel T. O'Keefe, Rahul Patel, Marsha D. Powers, Robert G. Stern, Katherine Vogel Anderson, Anita G. Zucker

Others present were:

President W. Kent Fuchs, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs Joseph Glover, Senior Vice President for Health Affairs David Guzick, Vice President for Enrollment Management Zina Evans, Vice President for Student Affairs David Parrott, Vice President and General Counsel Amy Hass, Vice President for Research David Norton, Chief Executive Officer UF Health Shands Ed Jimenez, other members of the President's Cabinet, and members of the University community and the media.

2.0 Call to Order and Welcome

Committee Chair Jason Rosenberg welcomed everyone in attendance and called the meeting to order at 10:29 a.m. EDT.

3.0 Review and Approval of Minutes

Committee Chair Rosenberg asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the March 20 and 22, 2018 meetings, which was made by Trustee Stern and a second, which was made by Trustee Zucker. The Committee Chair asked for further discussion, and then for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

4.0 Action Items

Committee Chair Rosenberg asked Provost Joseph Glover to present EP1 Annual Tenure Awards.

EP1. Annual Tenure Awards

Provost Glover explained that annual tenure awards are for faculty who have gone through the complete tenure process; who have been reviewed by the Department, College Dean, and Academic Personnel Board; and who have been recommended for the award of tenure by the Provost.

The Committee Chair asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Committee Action Item EP1 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Trustee Zucker, and second which was made by Trustee Johnson. The Committee Chair asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

EP2. Tenure Upon Hire

Provost Glover stated that there were eight highly accomplished faculty members who have been hired by the University subject to their being awarded tenure upon hire by the University of Florida Board of Trustees. All had been recommended for tenure by the Provost. He noted that for those individuals hired with faculty and administrative appointments, tenure attaches only to the faculty appointment.

The individuals recommended for tenure upon hire were as follows:

1. Dr. Julie C. Brown – College of Education
Associate Professor, School of Teaching and Learning
2. Dr. Maya Israel – College of Education
3. Dr. Lakiesha N. Williams – Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering
Associate Professor, J. Crayton Pruitt Family Department of Biomedical Engineering
4. Dr. Amy R. Mobley – College of Health and Human Performance
Associate Professor, Department of Health Education and Behavior
5. Ms. Melissa L. Rethlefsen – George A. Smathers Libraries
University Librarian, Associate Dean and Fackler Director of the Health Science Center Libraries
6. Dr. Ji-Hyun Lee – College of Public Health and Health Professions
Professor, Department of Biostatistics
7. Dr. Joseph J. Wakshlag – College of Veterinary Medicine
Associate Professor, Department of Comparative, Diagnostic and Population Medicine
8. Dr. Onye Ozuzu – College of the Arts
Professor, School of Theatre and Dance and Dean, College of the Arts

The Committee Chair asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Committee Action Item EP2 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Trustee Zucker, and second which was made by Trustee Kuntz. The Committee Chair asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

EP3. University of Florida Annual Accountability Plan 2018

Provost Glover indicated that the Board of Governors now requires the universities to submit an Annual Accountability Plan, which combines both the annual Accountability Report and the annual University Work Plan report that had been required in the past. The new report provides both historical data and prospective goals. Provost Glover highlighted the Performance Based Metrics in the Accountability Plan. He discussed the BOT choice metric #10 and noted that the University has made a case for using the 6-year graduation rate.

The Committee Chair asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Committee Action Item EP3 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Trustee Johnson, and second which was made by Trustee Powers. The Committee Chair asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

EP4. New Degree

Provost Glover indicated that a Bachelor of Arts in Hispanic and Latin American Languages, Literatures and Linguistics in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences is being proposed to reflect more accurately the nature of the departmental offerings and to better appeal to the changing interests and needs of the students. This Bachelor of Arts degree replaces two current majors. Three different tracks are being proposed within this major: Spanish, Portuguese and a combined Spanish and Portuguese track. Provost Glover indicated that it would reduce confusion and paperwork.

The Committee Chair asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Committee Action Item EP4 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Trustee Brandon, and second which was made by Trustee Zucker. The Committee Chair asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

EP5. Honorary Degrees

Provost Glover indicated that one Honorary Degree candidate is being presented to the Trustees. Stephen Stills is being recommended for an Honorary Doctor of Musical Arts. This recommendation was approved by the Faculty Senate on May 10, 2018, and then by President Fuchs.

The Committee Chair asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Committee Action Item EP5 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Trustee Stern, and second which was made by Trustee

Johnson. The Committee Chair asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

EP6. University of Florida Regulations

Vice President and General Counsel Amy Hass explained the following amendments to the University of Florida Regulations:

3.0372 – Student Health, Athletic, Activity and Service and Transportation Access Fees.

This regulation amendment updates the fees for students in the UF Levin College of Law to reflect the change from per-student-credit-hour to block tuition.

3.0375 – Tuition Cost. The proposed regulation amendment updates the regulation to reflect the current tuition set by the legislature for the 2018-19 school year as follows: There is an increase in the repeat surcharge from \$181.12 to \$190.84, as set by the Board of Governors. In addition, the regulation has been updated to reflect the block tuition rate adopted by the Levin College of Law for the incoming fall 2018 class pursuant to BOG regulation 7.001(11) and approved by the UF Board of Trustees on August 29, 2017. The annual block tuition rates approximate the current tuition rates for two 15-credit semesters for JD students and two 13-credit semesters for LLM students. Students admitted prior to fall 2018 will continue to pay tuition at per student credit hour rates.

4.010 Employer Registrations. The proposed changes to Regulation 4.010 clarify the services offered by the Career Connections Center and reflect the Center’s name change, previously the Career Resource Center.

4.040 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code. The proposed Regulation 4.040 substantially revises the existing Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code by (a) consolidating 16 separate regulations (Regulations 4.040-4.0433 and 4.0435-4.051, which will be repealed) into single Regulation 4.040, (b) updating terms and language in compliance with the Florida Board of Governors Regulations, state and federal law and Office of Civil Rights guidance, (c) clarifying and revising the content to align more closely with the University’s philosophy on student discipline, which is to provide a fair and educational process.

4.0434 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Law School Honor System. This regulation will become 4.041 Law School Honor System.

The Committee Chair asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Committee Action Item EP6 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Trustee Zucker, and second which was made by Trustee Powers. The Committee Chair asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

EP7 and R18-205. Facility Security Clearance; Exclusion of Certain Directors and Officers; Designation of Senior Managerial Group for Classified Information

Vice President Norton explained that the Department of Defense requires the Board to appoint a management committee to have access to classified information necessary in certain contracts and research, and to adopt a resolution that Trustees are not required to obtain individual security clearances and instead designate a senior management committee to obtain security clearance for classified information.

The Committee Chair asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Committee Action Item EP7 and R18-205 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Trustee Johnson, and second which was made by Trustee Patel. The Committee Chair asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

5.0 Discussion/Informational Items

Committee Chair Rosenberg turned the Committee's attention to the discussion/informational items.

5.1 Admissions Update

Vice President for Enrollment Management Zina Evans gave a brief update on admissions. Dr. Evans indicated that admissions were outstanding this year with increases in every area. She indicated that the average GPA of the entering class remained steady at 4.42.

5.2 College of Medicine Plan for Top 5

5.3 UF Health Shands Plan for Top 5

David Guzick, Senior Vice President for Health Affairs and President, UF Health gave a brief introduction of the College of Medicine and Shands. Dean of the College of Medicine Michael Good provided an overview of the College of Medicine's evolving curriculum, vastly improved facilities and rankings. He provided information about the clinical and research enterprises and discussed the US News and World Report rankings for medical schools. Chief Executive Officer Ed Jimenez provided an overview of Shands including information about recent growth and expansion and US News and World Report's Best Hospital recognition in a number of specialties.

5.4 Faculty Update

Faculty Senate Chair Katherine Vogel Anderson gave a brief update on the initiatives and activities of the Faculty Senate.

5.5 Student Body President Update

President of the Student Body Ian Green provided an update on the accomplishments and initiatives of Student Government.

5.6 Top 5 Update

Provost Glover provided an update on progress toward Top 5 status. Dr. Glover indicated that 227 faculty have been hired out of the 500 goal that was agreed upon last year. He indicated that by August 2019, when the 500 additional net faculty have been hired, the faculty-to-student

ratio should be 16:1. It was agreed that Vice President for Human Resources Jodi Gentry will provide a quarterly report on faculty hires.

6.0 New Business

There was no new business to come before the Committee.

7.0 Adjourn

After asking for further discussion and hearing none, the Committee on Educational Policy and Strategic Initiatives meeting was adjourned at 12:46 p.m.