



**COMMITTEE ON GOVERNANCE, GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, AND INTERNAL
AFFAIRS**

Meeting Minutes

December 5, 2019

President's Room 215B, Emerson Alumni Hall

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Time Convened: 3:24 p.m.

Time Adjourned: 3:55 p.m.

Committee and Board members present:

David L. Brandon, James W. Heavener, Morteza Hosseini (Board Chair), Leonard H. Johnson, Thomas G. Kuntz (Board Vice Chair), Daniel T. O'Keefe, Rahul Patel, Jason J. Rosenberg, Robert G. Stern, Ray G. Thomas, Anita G. Zucker

Others present were:

W. Kent Fuchs, President; Winfred Phillips, Executive Chief of Staff; Joseph Glover, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs; Charlie Lane, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer; Amy Hass, Vice President and General Counsel; Elias Eldayrie, Vice President and Chief Information Officer; Zina Evans, Vice President for Enrollment Management and Associate Provost; Antonio Farias, Chief Diversity Officer and Senior Advisor to the President; Jodi Gentry, Vice President for Human Resources; Edward Jimenez, Chief Executive Officer for UF Health Shands; Mark Kaplan, Vice President for Government and Community Relations and University Secretary; Michael McKee, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer; Thomas Mitchell, Vice President for Advancement; David Nelson, Senior Vice President for Health Affairs and President of UF Health; David Norton, Vice President for Research; Nancy Paton, Vice President for Strategic Communications and Marketing; Curtis Reynolds, Vice President for Business Affairs; Scott Stricklin, Director of Athletics, members of the University of Florida Community and other members of the public and the media.

1.0 Call to Order and Welcome

Committee Chair Rahul Patel welcomed everyone in attendance and called the meeting to order at 3:24 p.m.

2.0 Verification of Quorum

Vice President Amy Hass verified a quorum with all members present.

3.0 Action Items

GGRIA1 Governance Standards Amendments – Research Activities and Oversight Protocols

Committee Chair Patel gave a summary of the Governance Standards Amendments - Research Activities and Oversight Protocols. With the Board's approval, these protocols will be incorporated into the UF Governance Standards to help ensure that the Board has appropriate visibility into the strategic mission of the University's research endeavor and exercises its fiduciary oversight responsibilities. Board Chair Hosseini commended Chair Patel and partners for a job well done on a product that could be used at any university in the system.

Committee Chair Patel asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Action Item GGRIA1 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Trustee Zucker, and a second, which was made by Board Chair Hosseini. Committee Chair Patel asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

GGRIA2 Direct Support Organization (DSO) Board Appointments

Committee Chair Patel presented thirteen highly accomplished individuals who have been brought forward as DSO Board appointments on the following four DSOs: Cattlemen Enhancement Board (CEB), Citrus Research Development Foundation (CRDF), Florida 4-H Foundation, and Southwest Florida Research and Education Foundation Board (SWFRE).

Committee Chair Patel asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Action Item GGRIA2 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Board Chair Hosseini, and a second, which was made by Trustee Rosenberg. Committee Chair Patel asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

GGRIA3 Naming Policy

Committee Chair Patel gave a summary of the Naming Policy which was presented at the pre-meeting. The University has developed an enterprise-wide naming policy to ensure appropriate process and evaluation of naming opportunities. He thanked everyone for their efforts to make the new naming policy happen.

Committee Chair Patel asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Action Item GGRIA3 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Board Chair Hosseini, and a second, which was made by Trustee Heavener. Committee Chair Patel asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

GGRIA4 Board Self-Evaluation

Committee Chair Patel indicated that the Board of Trustees completed its self-evaluation on October 31, 2019, and the University will submit the results of this evaluation in December 2019 with the board's approval. The Board Self-Evaluation is required to be completed and submitted to The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools ("SACS"), the universities accrediting body, prior to the University of Florida's accreditation deadline of March 2020.

Board Chair Hosseini commented that after the self-evaluation is approved and submitted, he would like to meet with each board member individually to see what we can do to make the board even better.

Committee Chair Patel asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Action Item GGRIA4 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Trustee Zucker, and a second, which was made by Trustee Rosenberg. Committee Chair Patel asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

GGRIA5 UF Police Department Collective Bargaining Agreement

Vice President and General Counsel Amy Hass introduced the UF Police Department Collective Bargaining Agreement which includes raises and other benefits for the UF Police Department in order to be consistent with other UF employees.

Committee Chair Patel asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Action Item GGRIA 5 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Trustee Rosenberg, and a second, which was made by Trustee Heavener. Committee Chair Patel asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

4.0 Discussion Items

4.1 Enterprise Cash Working Group Presentation

Committee Chair Patel reminded everyone that this information was previously reviewed at the FSPPM Committee meeting by University Controller Alan West.

4.2 Outside Activities–Conflicts of Interest

Vice President and General Counsel Amy Hass discussed the new UFOLIO system that has been rolled out to electronically track outside activity-conflict of interest. Gary Wimsett the new Assistant Vice President for Conflict of Interest who presented at the September Board retreat is managing this effort. He is in the beginning pilot phases of the rollout. Amy reviewed the results of the UFOLIO pilot thus far. Trustee Heavener asked if there were any conflicts related to China. Vice President Hass indicated they were a few specific cases to China reviewed and managed appropriately. Vice President Hass concluded that Assistant Vice President Wimsett will continue to roll out UFOLIO in phases, with another starting in mid-January, and meet with groups individually as needed to obtain participation.

4.3 Legislative Update

Committee Chair Patel turned this discussion item over to Mark Kaplan, Vice President of Government and Community Relations for a Legislative update. Vice President Kaplan discussed the latest legislative updates indicating the recent important distinction given to UF in a separate category as a Preeminence/National Ranking by the Florida Board of Governors. This acknowledgment by the Board of Governors sets UF apart from other colleges and universities in the state. We are hopeful this distinction will result in future favorable support

as a Preeminent/National Ranking university. Vice President Kaplan then reviewed the three-year priority list for Public Education Capital Outlay Projects (PECO).

5.0 New Business

There was no new business to come before the committee.

6.0 Adjourn

There being no further discussion, Committee Chair Patel adjourned at the meeting at 3:55 p.m.