



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 17, 2021

Virtual Meeting

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Time Convened: 9:47 a.m.

Time Adjourned: 10:17 a.m.

Board members present:

Mori Hosseini (Board Chair), David C. Bloom, David L. Brandon, Cooper L. Brown, Richard P. Cole, Christopher T. Corr, James W. Heavener, Thomas G. Kuntz (Board Vice Chair), Daniel T. O’Keefe, Rahul Patel, Marsha D. Powers, Fred S. Ridley, and Anita G. Zucker.

Others present:

W. Kent Fuchs, President; Joseph Glover, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs; Chris Cowen, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer; Amy Hass, Vice President and General Counsel; Mark Kaplan, Vice President for Government and Community Relations and University Secretary; Charlie Lane, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer; D’Andra Mull, Vice President for Student Affairs; Winfred Phillips, Executive Chief of Staff; Curtis Reynolds, Vice President for Business Affairs; members of the University of Florida community, and the public.

1.0 Call to Order and Welcome

Board Chair Hosseini welcomed everyone in attendance and called the meeting to order at 9:47 a.m.

2.0 Verification of Quorum

Vice President and University Secretary Kaplan verified a quorum.

3.0 Public Comment

Vice President and General Counsel Amy Hass informed the Board there was no public comment to come before the board.

4.0 Action Items

Prior to reviewing the action items, Board Chair Hosseini advised board members he would take action items together unless any member preferred to vote separately on each item. Hearing none, he proceeded with action items.

BT1 Collective Bargaining Amendment (UFF)

BT2 Collective Bargaining Amendment (Police Communications Operators)

BT3 Collective Bargaining Amendment (AFSCME)

Board Chair Hosseini asked Vice President and General Counsel Amy Hass to review the three union amendments. Vice President Hass reviewed BT1, Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) for the United Faculty of Florida (UFF). She went on to review BT2 amendment to the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) for the Florida Police Benevolent Association recognizing that they will now include the Police Operators I-III. Finally, Hass reviewed BT3, the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO (AFSCME) Employee Union amendment which addresses the three percent merit pool from July 1, 2021.

Board Chair Hosseini asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Board Action Items BT1, 2 and 3, which was made by Trustee Brandon and seconded by Trustee Zucker. Board Chair Hosseini asked for further discussion, after which he asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

AFSSPRSC1 Tenure Upon Hire

AFSSPRSC2 Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability Report

AFSSPRSC3 University Press of Florida Annual Report 2020-2021

Board Chair Hosseini asked Provost Glover to review the three action items for the Academic, Faculty & Student Success, Public Relations & Strategic Communications (AFSSPRSC) discussed at a pre-meeting earlier this month. Provost Glover reviewed AFSSPRSC1 Tenure Upon Hire. Glover indicated there are four candidates that have met the criteria for tenure and have been recommended to receive tenure, including Dr. Robin Tucker-Drob, Dr. Natalia Aleksium, Dr. Tracie Baker, and Dr. Jamal Lewis. Next, Provost Glover reviewed AFSSPRSC2, Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability Report. He then reviewed AFSSPRSC3, University Press of Florida Annual Report 2020-2021. He reminded the Board AFSSPRSC2 and AFSSPRSC3 are both annual reports due to the Board of Governors each year.

The Board Chair asked for a motion to approve Action Items AFSSPRSC 1, 2 and 3 which was made by Trustee Powers, and a second, which was made by Trustee O'Keefe. Board Chair Hosseini asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

FCI1 Holland District Energy Efficiency Contract

FCI2 Design Builder Selection Approval (UF-654 Honors College Residential Facilities)

FCI3 Temporary Chiller for DSIT, Public Safety, Honor College

Board Chair Hosseini asked Vice President for Business Affairs Curtis Reynolds to highlight the action items reviewed in the FCI pre-meeting prior to this meeting. Vice President Reynolds summarized FC1 Holland District Energy Efficiency Contract. He noted, this action item is to request approval to enter into an agreement for Investment Grade Audit and Related Design Services ("IGA") with Siemens using carryforward funds. Upon completion of the IGA, Siemens will present a Performance Contracting Agreement ("PCA") for the project in the Holland District based on the recommendations and designs resulting from the IGA. The University will utilize a blend of internal and external funding sources for the resulting project not to exceed \$25M.

Next, Vice President Reynolds provided a summary of FCI2 Design Builder Selection Approval. Board Chair Hosseini stated that a lot of work and discussion has taken place regarding the design builder selection approval in the second action item. Board Chair Hosseini indicated that through the review process they were able to save a significant amount of money, which can be used for other housing needs. He asked Trustee Patel, Chair of the AFSSPRSC Committee to work with Vice President of Student Affairs D'Andra Mull on a proposal to bring back to the FCI Committee that focuses on a specific strategic vision for excellence, cost savings for this project and how cost savings could be put toward oldest buildings on campus.

Finally, Vice President Reynolds reviewed the request for FCI3 Temporary Chiller for DSIT, Public Safety, Honors College.

The Board Chair asked for a motion to approve Action Items FCI 1, 2 and 3 which was made by Trustee Brandon, and a second, which was made by Trustee Powers. Board Chair Hosseini asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

FCI4 & R21-271 Naming: John W. & Peggy B. Kirkpatrick Courtyard at the Norman Fixel Institute for Neurological Diseases

Board Chair Hosseini asked Vice President for Advancement Tom Mitchell to review FCI4 & R21-271. Vice President Mitchell informed the Board that the naming opportunity had been reviewed by respective deans/directors, the Foundation, the Provost, the President and discussed with the Naming Committee. He noted all due diligence had been completed in line with the naming policies and that all of the background information was provided in the meeting materials.

The Board Chair asked for a motion to approve Action Item FCI4 & R21-271 which was made by Trustee Zucker and a second, which was made by Trustee O'Keefe. Board Chair Hosseini 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 New Business

Board Chair Hosseini asked each attendee if they had anything to share. President Fuchs stated his thanks for approving the residence hall as it is significant for UF. He shared that students are moving in this week and classes will start on Monday, August 23. President Fuchs is excited about UF's future and will see everyone at the Board Retreat. Vice President Mull is excited about the transformational changes coming to UF housing and looks forward to working with Trustees Patel and Brandon and the FCI and AFSSPRSC Committees to make it happen. Board Chair Hosseini indicated that UF has a bright future and there are many important projects in the works. Board Chair Hosseini thanked the Board and UF leadership for all the great work they are doing.

6.0 Adjourn

There being no further discussion, Board Chair Hosseini adjourned the meeting at 10:17 a.m.