

Florida Polytechnic University
Board of Trustees

Executive Committee Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 1, 2019

3:00 pm – 3:10 pm

TELE-CONFERENCE MEETING

I. Call to Order

Chair Don Wilson called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Kris Wharton called the roll: Chair Don Wilson, Vice Chair Cliff Otto, Trustee Philip Dur, Trustee Frank Martin, Trustee Dick Hallion, and Trustee Gary Wendt were present (Quorum).

Other trustees present: Trustee Bob Stork, Trustee Henry McCance

Staff present: President Randy Avent, Mr. Mark Mroczkowski, Ms. Gina Delulio, Mr. Rick Maxey, Mrs. Kris Wharton, Mr. David Calhoun, and Mr. David O'Brien were present.

III. Public Comment

There were no requests for public comment.

IV. Approval of Skanska Building, USA Contract

Mr. Mark Mroczkowski stated the University has finished negotiating the contract with Skanska Building, USA, who will repair/replace the pergolas on the IST building that were damaged during Hurricane Irma. The total cost for this project is \$9.6M with \$8.2M covered by the state insurance fund. The University is attempting to recoup the remaining \$1.4M from FEMA.

David O'Brien, Director of Procurement, stated the contract is based on a sole source given the unique design and fabrication of the pergolas. Skanska was the construction manager for the IST building and the University does not want to compromise quality for this repair. David Calhoun stated the project will run concurrently with the construction of the Applied Research Center (ARC), with a target start date this fall. Running these two projects concurrently reduces the footprint of construction activity and has less of an impact on day to day operations.

Vice Chair Cliff Otto inquired when an answer from FEMA is expected. Mr. Mroczkowski stated he is unsure but it could be a long time.

Trustee Phil Dur and Trustee Dick Hallion agreed the Board should be mindful of the architectural details of buildings brought to them for approval so this kind of damage to buildings is minimized in a weather event. Mr. Calhoun stated the new pergolas wind capacity will be increased to withstand up to 145mph winds. He further confirmed the Skanska contract is for one year with a projected seven month schedule for completion.

Trustee Frank Martin made a motion to approve the Skanska Building, USA contract to repair/replace the pergolas on the IST building. Trustee Dick Hallion seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

President Randy Avent provided a legislative budget update. The SUS will sustain a \$37M cut to the budget, with an approximate \$800k cut to Florida Poly's base budget of recurring funds. Non-recurring funds of \$500k for the Advanced Mobility Institute (AMI) and \$500k for improvement of the graduate program were approved. The \$7M in PECO funds previously given to Florida Poly for the building of the ARC remains intact, however no new PECO funds were allotted to the University. Trustee Henry McCance inquired as to which universities received PECO funding. President Avent stated only the university at the top of the Board of Governors list received funding and three or four other projects not on the list received significant funding. Chair Wilson stated the Board needs to discuss a contingency plan in the event the University does not receive PECO funds next year to complete the ARC.

V. Closing Remarks and Adjournment

With no further comments, the meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.