FLORIDA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
Innovation, Science & Technology Building
Rooms 1046/1047
Lakeland, Florida 33805-8531
December 10, 2014

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Mark Bostick called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m. Jackye Maxey called the roll: Chair Mark Bostick, Vice Chair Frank T. Martin, Trustee Bill Brown, Trustee Sandra Featherman, Trustee Scott Hammack, Trustee Dick Hallion, Trustee Rob MacCuspie, Trustee Andrei Moss, Trustee Thomas O’Malley, Trustee Bob Stork, and Trustee Don Wilson were present (Quorum).

Staff: Dr. Randy Avent, Ava Parker, Dr. Ghazi Darkazalli, Gina Delulio, Bertha Alexander, Rick Maxey, and Jackye Maxey.

Chair Bostick welcomed Trustee Moss to the Board.

2. Approval of Minutes

Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the Presidential Search Committee meeting minutes for April 14, 2014. Trustee MacCuspie seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Hallion made a motion to approve the Nominations Committee meeting minutes for July 28, 2014. Trustee O’Malley seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Featherman made a motion to approve the Board of Trustees meeting minutes for September 16, 2014. Trustee O’Malley seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comment

There were no requests received for public comment.

4. Chairman’s Report

Chair Bostick gave his report and thanked everyone for their work over the last two years.

He advised that Rob Gidel has submitted his resignation from the Board of Trustees. It is effective as of December 31, 2014. He personally thanked Rob Gidel for his leadership and his commitment to the University. Rob Gidel was not able to make it to today’s meeting, but Chair Bostick will ask him to attend a Board meeting next year so that the Board can formally thank him for his service as the inaugural chair.

Trustee Featherman requested to officially thank him. Trustee Wilson will work on a “thank you” from the Board.
On April 20, 2012 Florida Poly became the 12th State University and Chair Bostick asked President Randy and staff to plan its first annual Founder’s Day celebration in 2015.

Chair Bostick commended Dr. Avent and staff for their work on the University’s SACS application.

5. President’s Remarks

Dr. Avent gave his remarks to the Board and presented a report on the future of STEM education and research.

6. Student Government Association President’s Remarks

Trustee Moss gave his remarks to the Board and introduced the SGA Executive Committee: Vice President Jacob Fletcher, Treasurer Ruslan Khabibulin, and Secretary Veronica Perez.

7. Committee Reports

Governance Committee. Trustee Wilson gave a report on the Governance Committee

a. Approval of the President’s FY 2014-15 Goals and Objectives. Trustee Wilson gave an overview of the President’s FY 2014-15 Goals and Objectives.

   A motion was made from the Governance Committee to adopt the President’s FY 2014-15 Goals and Objectives. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

b. Approval of the Amended and Restated Bylaws. Trustee Wilson gave an overview of the Amended and Restated Bylaws.

   A motion was made from the Governance Committee to adopt the Amended and Restated Bylaws. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

c. Approval of Amendments to the Foundation Board’s By-Laws. Trustee Wilson gave an overview of the Amendments to the Foundation Board’s By-Laws.

   A motion was made from the Governance Committee to adopt the Amendments to the Foundation Board’s By-Laws. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.


   A motion was made from the Governance Committee to adopt the Government Relations Plan for the 2015 Legislative Session. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Housing Committee. Dr. Avent gave a report on the Housing Committee advising that the Committee received updates regarding the residential housing plans for FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17.

Academic & Student Affairs Committee. Trustee Featherman gave a report on the Academic & Student Affairs Committee advising the Committee discussed several information items including: the regional accreditation process, research projects, faculty hiring, course offerings, educational partnerships, and internship plans.
Finance & Facilities Committee. Trustee Martin gave a report on the Finance & Facilities Committee.

a. Approval of Amendments – FY 2015-16 Operating Legislative Budget Request. Trustee Martin gave an overview of the Approval of Amendments – FY 2015-16 Operating Legislative Budget Request

A motion was made from the Finance & Facilities Committee to adopt the Amendments to the FY 2015-16 Operating Legislative Budget Request. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

b. Approval of the Updated Master Plan. Trustee Martin gave an overview of the Approval of the Updated Master Plan.

A motion was made from the Finance & Facilities Committee to adopt the Updated Master Plan and give staff authority to make changes discussed during the Finance & Facilities Committee meeting and any other changes deemed appropriate. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Strategic Planning Committee. Trustee Stork gave a report on the Strategic Planning Committee.

a. Approval of Language Revisions: Strategic Plan Goals and Objectives. Trustee Stork gave an overview of the Approval of Language Revisions to the Strategic Plan Goals and Objectives.

A motion was made from the Strategic Planning Committee to approve the Language Revisions to the University’s Strategic Plan Goals and Objectives. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.


A motion was made from the Strategic Planning Committee to approve the 2013-14 Annual Accountability Report. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Audit & Compliance Committee. Trustee Wilson gave a report on the Audit & Compliance Committee and provided an update on several items including: Florida Poly has hired two firms to perform internal reviews (one firm will audit construction activities and the other firm will audit operations).

8. Consent Agenda

Chair Bostick requested a motion for approval of the items on the consent agenda:

- FPU-1.003P Alcohol Policy
- FPU-1.010 Skateboarding, Skating, Scooters, Ripsticks, and Other Similar Devices and High Risk Activities on University Property Regulation
- FPU-6.002 Personnel Code Of Conduct and Ethics Regulation

Trustee Wilson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Trustee O’Malley seconded the motion, a vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

9. Closing Remarks & Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the Board of Trustees meeting adjourned at 10:51 a.m.