DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 20, 2021
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Florida Polytechnic University
WEBEX TELE-CONFERENCE MEETING

I. Call to Order

Chair Cliff Otto called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Kris Wharton called the roll: Chair Cliff Otto, Vice Chair Mark Bostick, Committee Chair Earl Sasser, Committee Chair Gary Wendt, and Committee Chair Bob Stork were present (Quorum).

Other trustees present: none

Staff present: President Randy Avent, Provost Terry Parker, Ms. Gina DeIulio, Mrs. Kathy Bowman, Dr. Tom Dvorske, Dr. Kathryn Miller, Dr. Ben Matthew Corpus, Mrs. Kris Wharton, Mr. Alex Landback, Mr. David Blanton, Mr. Rick Maxey, Mr. David Calhoun, Mr. David Brunell, Ms. Penney Farley, Mrs. Maggie Mariucci, Ms. Melaine Schmiz

III. Public Comment

There were no requests for public comment.

IV. Approval of the June 12, 2020 Minutes

Vice Chair Mark Bostick made a motion to approve the June 12, 2020 minutes. Trustee Earl Sasser seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

V. University Accountability Plan

Provost Terry Parker reviewed the proposed University Accountability Plan for 2021-2022. He briefly reviewed three key initiatives and investments, including enrollment and institutional growth, faculty and research, and administrative efficiency. The majority of the presentation focused on Performance Based Funding (PBF) metrics.

The first ten metrics have data under “actuals.” This data has been validated and provided to the Board of Governors by BOG staff. The next two lines under “actual” include approved goals that were agreed to last year, and proposed goals. Provost Parker reviewed data under most of the metrics, including why some proposed goals were lowered by one or two points, mostly due to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The one metric with a significant drop in 2020-21 proposed goals is Academic Progress Rate (APR), which dropped from 77 as the approved goal to 66. Provost Parker stated the
University lost a significant number of students in fall 2020 due to COVID-related circumstances and lack of student engagement. However, this number is projected to rise to 80 for 2021-22. Trustee Earl Sasser inquired how other universities in the SUS have fared; Provost Parker responded he will know better once other universities’ accountability plans are published prior to the June Board of Governors meeting. Trustee Sasser also asked if the University would have a similar problem with juniors and seniors. The provost stated most likely not, but additional data will be forthcoming as the institution moves into AY2021-22.

Trustee Bob Stork asked if a university hits a number higher than a proposed goal, does that number change accordingly. Provost Parker responded the proposed goal number remains the same.

Trustee Sasser inquired about fall admissions. Provost Parker stated the University is solid in terms of FTIC and the summer cohort. Transfers and graduate students are okay.

Chair Cliff Otto referred back to the proposed goal of 80 for the 2021-22 Academic Progress Rate (APR) and recommended Provost Parker consider lowering that number to 75 since there will be a two-year effect from COVID. Provost Parker and President Avent both agreed it is reasonable to lower the number.

Trustee Stork recommended adding a color indicator or asterisk to show which numbers are COVID related. Provost Parker responded that these numbers are explained in later pages; however, Kevin Calkins affirmed short notes can be added directly to the table.

The rest of the metrics were reviewed by the provost without further questions or comments. He also reviewed several of the Key Performance Indicators (KPI). Enrollment planning numbers are particularly promising.

**Trustee Bob Stork made a motion to approve the 2021-2022 University Accountability Plan with the following amendments: lower the proposed goal for AY2021-22 Academic Progress Rate (APR) from 80 to 75; and add footnotes within the tables of metrics, indicating numbers that are or will be affected by COVID-19. Trustee Earl Sasser seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.**

VI. Closing Remarks and Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.