



# Academic & Student Affairs Committee Meeting

**BOT approved 05.23.2022**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, April 28 2022  
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

### **Florida Polytechnic University WEBEX TELECONFERENCE MEETING**

I. Call to Order

Committee Chair Earl Sasser called the Academic and Student Affairs Committee meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. He introduced and welcomed new student trustee, Melia Rodriguez, to the Board.

II. Roll Call

Kristen Wharton called the roll: Committee Chair Earl Sasser, Trustee Ala' J. Alnaser, Trustee Melia Rodriguez, Trustee Laine Powell were present (Quorum)

Committee member not present: Trustee Narendra Kini

Other Trustees Present: Board Chair Cliff Otto, Vice Chair Mark Bostick, Trustee Gary Wendt, and Trustee Bob Stork

Staff Present: President Randy Avent, Provost Terry Parker, Allen Bottorff, Gina DeIulio, Kathy Bowman, David Blanton, Kristen Wharton, Alex Landback, Melaine Schmiz, Dr. Ben Matthew Corpus, Dr. Kathryn Miller, Dr. Tom Dvorske, and Kevin Calkins

III. Public Comment

There were no requests received for public comment.

IV. Approval of Minutes

**Trustee Laine Powell motioned to approve the Academic and Student Affairs Committee meeting minutes of February 9, 2022. Trustee Melia Rodriguez seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.**

V. University Accountability Plan FY22

Provost Parker gave a brief description of the annual Accountability Plan. He reviewed four of the ten Performance Based Funding (PBF) funding measures listed in the Plan.

The forecast of 43% for the four-year graduation rate will remain unchanged. Currently, Provost Parker expects Florida Poly will achieve that rate this year. This is a nearly five-point improvement from the previous year.

The forecast of 75% for the Academic Progress Rate (APR) will also remain unchanged. Early indications show the University will meet or exceed the goal of a nine-point improvement on this metric.

The metric for the percentage of freshmen in the top ten percent of their high school class will increase from 30%-32%. Due to the increase in the number of graduate degrees, Florida Poly will qualify to change this metric to "percentage of graduate degrees in areas of strategic emphasis" in this coming year.

Provost Parker shared a correction from the original meeting materials which changes the "Pell second fall retention rate" from 80% to 75% to match the overall University Academic Progress Rate (APR). Committee Chair Sasser inquired if this additional change alters the forthcoming motion; Provost Parker responded in the affirmative.

Provost Parker provided further detail on how the above percentages were determined by reviewing results of the "freshman initiative" which launched in fall 2021. He then reviewed where the University improved Key Performance Indicator (KPI) goals, and proposed changes for two other goals the University is unable to meet: "six-year graduation rate" from 56 to 49%, and "bachelor's degrees awarded" from 276 to 250.

Finally, Provost Parker reviewed proposed changes in enrollment planning goals. This includes lowering the undergraduate enrollment goals for 2022 and 2023, followed by an aggressive 2024 goal based on early forecasts of the enrollment pipeline and retention of students. All goals at the graduate level will increase.

Trustees had no questions and no discussion occurred.

**Trustee Ala J. Alnaser made a motion to recommend approval of the University Accountability Plan FY22 to the Board of Trustees. This plan includes the amendment which changes the goal for Pell retention rate for 2021-2022 to 75%. Trustee Laine Powell seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.**

VI. Closing Remarks and Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting adjourned at 3:26 p.m.