Wednesday February 8, 2023
9:15 AM – 10:15 AM

Florida Polytechnic University
WEBEX TELE-CONFERENCE MEETING

I. Call to Order

Committee Chair Gary Wendt called the Strategic Planning Committee meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

II. Roll Call

Michele Rush called the roll: Committee Chair Gary Wendt, Committee Vice Chair Lyn Stanfield, Trustee Susan LeFrancois, Trustee Narendra Kini, and Trustee Beth Kigel were present (Quorum).

Other Board Trustees present: Board Chair Cliff Otto, Trustee Mark Bostick, Trustee Bob Stork, Trustee Melia Rodriguez, and Trustee David Williams

Staff present: President Randy Avent, Provost Terry Parker, Dr. Allen Bottorff, David Fugett, Mike Dieckmann, Kathy Bowman, David Blanton, David Calhoun, Melaine Schmiz, Alex Landback, Michele Rush, and Kristen Wharton.

III. Public Comment

There were no requests received for public comment.

IV. Approval of the November 15, 2022 Minutes

Trustee Narendra Kini made a motion to approve the Strategic Planning Committee meeting minutes of November 15, 2022. Trustee Beth Kigel seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

V. Review and Approve Proposed 2023-2028 Strategic Plan Priorities

President Avent reviewed the University’s positioning statements. He reminded Trustees of the Balanced Scorecard and the defining of each level, followed by key elements of the Board of Governors’ Performance Based Funding (PBF) metrics and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs). These elements inform the proposed four priorities for the 2023-2028 Strategic Plan:

• Grow the academic enterprise
• Transform students’ lives
• Become an engine of innovation
• Improve campus operations
Trustee Beth Kigel commented that “transform student’s lives” may be interpreted in multiple ways and inquired if it was articulated anywhere. President Avent explained that under each of these four priorities there will be goals defined to achieve the priority. In this case, transforming students’ lives includes a goal of providing students the necessary tools to be successful while at Florida Poly and in their career; the annual operations plan details the tasks required of staff and faculty to meet that goal.

Trustee Narendra Kini asked if student success should be listed as the number one priority. President Avent stated the four items are not in any priority order, however the first two carry more weight than the others. Trustee Kini also inquired on the best metric to measure faculty success. Metrics will be discussed in detail at the next Strategic Planning committee meeting.

Trustee Lyn Stanfield inquired if there are metrics to help administration understand the student sentiment and whether they believe their lives are being transformed. She asked where within the metrics does administration hear from the students. President Avent mentioned there is an annual student survey conducted and metrics from that survey will be integrated into this priority. He also touched on having student focus groups participate in the “transform students’ lives” goals.

The motion to recommend approval to the Board of Trustees the four priorities for the 2023-2028 Strategic Plan was postponed by the Committee Chair until the next meeting when the Committee can consider the four priorities and the goals within each priority together as a whole.

VI. Closing Remarks and Adjournments

With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.