



Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes

April 24, 2025
3:00 – 3:45 P

Florida Polytechnic University
Virtual via Microsoft Teams

I. Call to Order

Committee Vice Chair Dorian Abbot called the Academic and Student Affairs Committee meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Kristen Wharton called the roll: Trustee Christos Tsetsekas, Trustee Brad Towle, Trustee Lyn Stanfield, Trustee Ilya Shapiro, and Trustee Dorian Abbot were present (Quorum)

Committee members not present: Committee Chair Sidney Theis

Other Trustees Present: Board Chair Beth Kigel, Trustee Cliff Otto, Trustee Jesse Panuccio

Staff Present: President Devin Stephenson, Vice President and Interim Provost Brad Thiessen, Dr. Allen Bottorff, Bryan Brooks, David Fugett, David Blanton, Mike Dieckmann, Kevin Calkins, Kristen Wharton, and Melaine Schmiz

III. Public Comment

There were no requests received for public comment.

IV. University Accountability Plan FY25

Provost Brad Thiessen stated the Accountability Plan for fiscal year 2025 is a direct reflection of the University's new Strategic Plan 25|30. The Plan contains the University's mission statement, our commitment to free expression, short-term strategy, metrics, and goals.

Thiessen reviewed Florida Poly's ten Performance-Based Funding (PBF) metrics and stated that with a score of 74, the University will receive its PBF funding this year. He reviewed the rest of the Plan from a high-level before answering questions from trustees.

Trustee Ilya Shapiro inquired as to the reason the AA transfer three-year graduation rate is low. Thiessen responded there are several factors which include a student's academic, social, or financial challenges. To better align with Florida Poly's academic standards, first-year courses will be revised and orientation programs enhanced to improve student preparation. Social

integration, another critical factor, will also strengthen as the overall student experience continues to evolve.

Thiessen reviewed 21 Key Performance Indicators (KPI), and Bryan Brooks, Vice President, Student Affairs, Enrollment Management, and Strategic Communications, presented information on enrollment growth.

Trustee Brad Towle made a motion to recommend approval of the University Accountability Plan FY25 to the Board of Trustees. Trustee Christos Tsetsekas seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

Thiessen stated that the Plan would be submitted to the Board of Governors the following day and reviewed at their June meeting.

V. Closing Remarks and Adjournment

With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
Kristen J. Wharton
Corporate Secretary