



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

# Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda

**May 22, 2026  
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM**

**Barnett Applied Research Center (BARC) Room 2200 and  
Virtual via Microsoft Teams**

**Dial in: 1-863-225-2351 | Conference ID: 397 954 778#**

### BOARD MEMBERS

Beth Kigel, Chair  
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Patrick Hagen  
Colby Manrodt  
Dr. Derek Henderson  
Dr. Christie Bassett

### MEETING AGENDA

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| I.    | Call to Order  | Beth Kigel, Chair                      |
| II.   | Roll Call  | Kristen Wharton<br>Corporate Secretary |
| III.  | Public Comment   | Beth Kigel                             |
| IV.   | Chair Remarks  | Beth Kigel                             |
| V.    | President's Remarks  | Dr. Devin Stephenson<br>President      |
| VI.   | Faculty Senate President's Report                                  | Trustee Derek Henderson                |
| VII.  | Student Government Association President's Report                  | Trustee Colby Manrodt                  |
| VIII. | Consent Agenda<br><b>*Action Required*</b>                         | Beth Kigel                             |
|       | A. Academic Enterprise, Research, and Student Success<br>Committee |  |
|       | 1. Approve the 2027-28 General Education Course List               |  |

- B. Governance, Audit, and Compliance Committee
1. Approve the (1) proposed audit and compliance plan changes and (2) external reviewers for both audit and compliance programs
  2. Approve the President's Administrative Action Plan for FY27
- C. Finance and Facilities Committee
1. Approve advancing with the drafting of ground lease documents between the Florida Polytechnic University Board of Trustees and Strategic Facility Partners, a 501(c)(3) partner of Gilbane Development Company, to construct 2 new student housing buildings (approximately 500 beds each, not to exceed 6 floors each) and a new all-you-care-to-eat dining facility.
  2. Approve the final ranking of firms for Construction Manager at Risk Services for the Florida Polytechnic University Student Achievement Center (StAC) project. This recommended ranking is as follows:
    1. Skanska USA Building Inc.
    2. Charles Perry Partners, Inc.
    3. Gilbane Building Company
  3. Approve authorization for the President to sign instruments, documents, and contracts as necessary to effectuate the design and preconstruction services for the Student Achievement Center project within a budget not to exceed \$34,900,000, the amount of project-specific funding currently on hand.
  4. Approve advancing the design, construction, and furnishing of the 2nd floor of the Gary C. Wendt Engineering Center, within the total project budget of \$22,587,090, while granting the President authority to sign instruments, documents, and contracts as necessary to effectuate the remodel/buildout.
  5. Approve the following appointments and reappointments to the Florida Polytechnic University Foundation Board of Directors by the Board of Trustees:

**Reappointments**

- John Curles, Jr.
- Travis Hills
- Kristen Lowers
- Ryan Perez
- Alen Tomczak

**New Appointments**

- Larry Arndt – Vice President, South Region – Barton Malow Builders
- Kathy Killingsworth - Consultant

- Curtis Pease – General Manager, Fields BMW - Lakeland
- Kyle Story – Vice President, The Story Companies
- Lea Ann Thomas – Retired, Deputy County Manager (Polk County)

6. Approve the Foundation’s planned uses of university personnel and property for the fiscal year 2026-27 for \$483,659

D. Board of Trustees

1. Approve the Board of Trustees Meeting minutes from February 13, 2026
2. Approve the Board of Trustees Meeting minutes from March 4, 2026

IX. Committee Reports

A. Academic Enterprise, Research, and Student Success (AERSS) Committee      Trustee Sid Theis

B. Finance and Facilities Committee      Trustee Jesse Panuccio

C. Strategic Initiatives and External Relations Committee      Chair Beth Kigel

D. Governance, Audit, and Compliance Committee      Trustee Ilya Shapiro

X. Officer Elections      Trustee Ilya Shapiro  
 \*Action Required\*

XI. Out of State Fee Increase      Dr. Brad Thiessen  
 \*Action Required\*      Vice President and Provost

XII. 2025-2030 Strategic Plan Progress Report      Bryan Brooks, Vice President, Student Affairs, Enrollment Management, and Strategic Communications

XIII. Legislative Session Report      Kelly Stargel, Vice President, Strategic Initiatives, Development, and External Relations

XIV. Board of Trustees Meeting Calendar      Beth Kigel

XV. Board of Governors Meeting Calendar      Beth Kigel

XVI. Closing Remarks & Adjournment      Beth Kigel