

FLORIDA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
Florida Polytechnic University Admissions Building
4700 Research Way
Lakeland, Florida 33805
October 31, 2017 @ 2:00 PM

I. Call to Order

Chair Frank Martin called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 2:40 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Maggie Mariucci called the roll: Chair Frank Martin, Vice-Chair Don Wilson, Trustee Mark Bostick, Trustee Jim Dewey, Trustee Henry McCance, Trustee Sandra Featherman, Trustee Dick Hallion, Trustee Gary Wendt, Trustee Robert Stork and Trustee Jacob Livingston were present. (Quorum).

Staff present: President Randy Avent, Dr. Terry Parker, Mr. Mark Mroczkowski, Ms. Gina DeJulio, Mrs. Maggie Mariucci, and Mr. David Blanton.

III. Public Comment

There were no requests received for public comment.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Trustee Sandra Featherman made a motion to approve the Board of Trustees meeting minutes of June 6 and 7, 2017. Trustee Richard Hallion seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Don Wilson made a motion to approve the Board of Trustees meeting minutes of September 13, 2017. Trustee Robert Stork seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

V. Chairman's Remarks

Chair Frank Martin thanked everyone for adjusting his or her schedules to accommodate this meeting. He mentioned the Trustee Summit coming up on November 8, 2017. The BOG encourages attendance at the summit and Florida Poly will have a good representation with six members attending. Chair Martin welcomed Trustee Gary Wendt to the meeting, as this was his first meeting.

VI. President's Remarks

President Avent reported on the development of SunTrax, the key business cycles of the University, and the University Strategic Plan.

The President's current focus is on creating a more functional organizational chart, including clear line management structure; improving the performance evaluation tool; minimizing bureaucracy on policies, and implementing a methodical and detailed conversation relating to culture.

VII. Student Presentation: Logentix

Florida Polytechnic student, Randy Lopez gave a report on Logentix. Logentix has created an aftermarket device that gives self-driving capabilities to existing vehicles for commercial trucking. The goal is to give logistics and transportation businesses the same benefits of self-driving vehicles at a reasonable price. The hardware integrates to existing components, such as ABS and steering, through a vehicles' diagnostics port. On average, there are 415,000 accidents involving large trucks each year, 3,598 of which result in fatalities. Logentix aims to make an impact on this statistic by providing technology that will make the roads safer.

Chair Martin asked the cost per device and the answer was \$1,000.00 for the software and then a fee of \$40.00 per month per truck.

VIII. Digital Education Presentation

Dr. Rahul Razdan gave a presentation on Digital Education. He compared Florida Poly's classes to the digital equivalent. Technology is disrupting all markets and will disrupt education. Florida Poly is in a unique position to disrupt and lead in STEM education. Mission alignment, focus, and execution are key. Early framing of solutions has started.

Funding will be necessary to proceed with a digital program. A LBR request of \$5M has been submitted. Trustee Featherman agreed that the University is in a unique position, as the adaptation of technology is everywhere. Trustee Henry McCance voiced that the funding for a digital program may be better secured through private funding because of state bureaucracy. Chair Martin questioned how the LBR funds would be used. The funding would build the instruction IP, build textbooks and build the basic infrastructure.

IX. University Strategic Plan Discussion

President Avent reviewed progress on the Strategic Plan. The following questions should be taken in to consideration as the plan is developed:

- What is our mission?
- Who is our customer?
- How do we best serve Florida industries?
- What are our competitive advantages?
- What skills should our graduates have?

X. 2017-18 Revised Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule

The following revised meeting schedule was reviewed:

- December 6, 2017
- February 28, 2018 (new)
- Retreat: May 22-23, 2018 (new)
- September 12, 2018
- December 5, 2018

Trustee Featherman made a motion to approve the revised Board of Trustees meeting schedule. Trustee Hallion seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

XI. Committee Reports

A. Governance Committee

1. 2016-18 Governance Committee Work Plan
2. 2018 Government Relations Plan
3. Resolution on President's Powers and Duties
4. Form for President's 2017-18 Annual Review

Based on reports given by the committee Trustee Hallion requested to bundle all four items for approval.

Trustee Wilson made a motion to approve the 2016-18 Governance Committee Work Plan; the 2018 Government Relations Plan; the Resolution on President's Powers and Duties; and the Form for President's 2017-18 Annual Review. Trustee McCance seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Audit and Compliance Committee

Committee Vice-Chair Don Wilson gave a report on the Audit and Compliance Committee. No Board action was required.

C. Finance and Facilities Committee

Committee Chair Robert Stork gave a report on the Finance and Facilities Committee.

1. Revised Regulation: FPU-1.003 Use of University Facilities and Property

The revised regulation will be reposted with changes and presented at the December 2017 meeting for approval.

D. Strategic Planning Committee

Committee Chair Don Wilson gave a report on the Strategic Planning Committee.

Based upon the report given by Committee Chair Don Wilson, Chair Frank Martin presented a motion with full Committee approval to the 2016-17 FIPR Institute Annual report. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

E. Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Committee Chair Sandra Featherman gave a report on the Academic and Student Affairs Committee.

1. Textbook and Instructional Material Affordability Report

Based upon the report given by Committee Chair, Sandra Featherman, Chair Frank Martin presented a motion with full Committee approval to the Textbook and Instructional Material Affordability report. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

XII. Upcoming Events/Meetings

Chair Martin reviewed upcoming meeting dates.

XIII. Closing Remarks and Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.