1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

Governor Norman Tripp, Chair, convened the meeting of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee at 2:03 p.m. Committee members present were Wendy Link, Richard Beard, Matthew Carter, Stefano Cavallaro, Manoj Chopra, Patricia Frost, and Pamela Stewart. Other members present were Daniel Doyle, Mori Hosseini, H. Wayne Huizenga, Tom Kuntz, Alan Levine, and Edward Morton. A quorum was established.

2. Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer’s Report

Vice Chancellor Ignash provided an update on the activities of the Board’s Office of Academic and Student Affairs. The office has recently devoted the majority of its time in reviewing the university work plans.

Academic and Student Affairs will hold a Academic Affairs Contact Meeting on July 28, 2014 in Orlando, FL to discuss how we document need & demand for new program proposals. Becky Rust, Chief Economist, Department of Economic Opportunity will come to speak with the university academic contacts on the databases DEO uses. The Florida College System will also participate in this meeting.

Academic and Student Affairs will hold a State University System Chief Researchers Meeting on August 13, 2014 in Orlando, FL to identify high level key research areas in the university system where we would then be able seek federal dollars to fund the top key research areas in the university system.

Academic and Student Affairs staff will participate in the Department of Defense Federal Research and Development Agency Workshop in Washington, DC on October 2nd & 3rd.
Vice Chancellor along with other board staff traveled to Florida Polytechnic University on May 22, 2014 to do a site visit of the campus.

Dr. Ignash attended the National Federation of Municipal Analysts in May 2014. She presented the Performance Based Funding model.

Academic and Student Affairs staff have been attending national conferences to build on their expertise. Staff attended the Association of Institutional Researchers Conference in May 2014 in Orlando, FL. 6 board staff presented papers at this conference.

3. Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes

Governor Carter moved that the Committee approve the meeting minutes for March 19, 2014 as presented. Governor Cavallaro seconded the motion and members of the Committee concurred.

4. Academic Program Item

Governor Tripp introduced the agenda item by stating that the University of South Florida requested approval for implementing a Ph.D. in Rehabilitation Sciences, CIP 51.2314 with 3 key areas of concentration: chronic disease, veteran’s health reintegration, and neuromuscular skeletal disability. The USF Board of Trustees approved the program on December 5, 2013. If approved by the Board of Governors, USF will implement the program in the Fall 2014. Provost Ralph Wilcox of the University of South Florida gave the committee a presentation on the program for considering approval of the Ph.D. in Rehabilitation Sciences.

Governor Beard moved that the Committee approve the Ph.D. in Rehabilitation Sciences at USF/Tampa campus. Governor Link seconded the motion and members of the Committee concurred.

5. Relocation of the Florida International University Broward County Educational Site

Governor Tripp introduced the agenda item by stating that in accordance with Board Regulation 8.009, Florida International University is requesting the relocation of its Broward Pine Center Campus from its current location at 17195 Sheridan Street, Pembroke Pines, FL to a new location constructed by Broward College located at 1930 SW 145th Avenue, Miramar, FL. The 2 locations are approximately 5.5 miles apart. The relocated campus will remain a type 3 campus, but will be renamed FIU at I-75. This facility will accommodate more students, provide state of the art facilities, and will
greatly expand the times during which instruction can be offered. The FIO Board of Trustee approved the location move at its March 2014 meeting. If approved by the Board of Governors, the relocation will be effective July 1, 2014.

Governor Tripp mentioned that the planning for this move preceded amendments to Regulation 8.009 requiring Board of Governors’ approval for site relocations, so this request represents a corrective action to ensure compliance with the regulation.

Governor Frost moved that the Committee approve the relocation of the Florida International University Broward County Education Site. Governor Beard seconded the motion and members of the Committee concurred.

6. Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 6.017, Criteria for Awarding the Baccalaureate Degree

Governor Tripp introduced a proposed amendment to the Board of Governors Regulation 6.017. The regulation currently includes the provision that all 12 credit hours that meet the composition coursework required for the “Gordon Rule” must be within the general education program. The proposed amendment allows for 6 credit hours of non-English composition coursework to be taught outside of general education. This amendment also provides similar standards as those required by the State Board of Education for the Florida College System institutions and reflect changes proposed by the State University System undergraduate deans.

Governors Tripp states that the proposed amendment has been reviewed by the university general counsels, Council of Academic Vice Presidents, Council of Student Affairs, and other academic administrators. Pursuant to the regulation procedure adopted by the Board at its meeting in 2006, the Board is required to provide public notice on its Internet Web site at least 30 days before adoption of any proposed regulation.

Governor Carter moved that the Committee approve the public notice of intent to amend Regulation 6.017. Governor Chopra seconded the motion and members of the Committee concurred.

7. Academic and Student Affairs Updates

Dr. Ron Toll of Florida Gulf Coast University gave an update for the SUS Council of Academic Vice Presidents, (CAVP). Dr. Toll shared that the CAVP group met on Wednesday, June 17, 2014 with Chancellor Marshall Criser as a guest. The Chancellor asked the CAVP group to address what a great university system should be. Dr. Toll extended the invitation to Governor Hosseini to possibly attend at a later date an
upcoming CAVP meeting. Dr. Toll spoke of electronic resources available to university faculty, students, as well as staff.

Dr. Kevin Bailey of the University of West Florida provided an update for the SUS Council for Student Affairs. Dr. Bailey gave an update on the anti-hazing summit. They are currently planning the 3rd anti-hazing summit on October 2, 2014 at Florida Gulf Coast University. Dr. Bailey also provided an update on the council’s vigilance on sexual assault and gender based discrimination, otherwise known as Title 9. Governor Tripp asked Dr. Bailey if they are staying vigilant with campus security issues. Governor Chopra asked Dr. Bailey if they have been implementing security issues that were addressed at the July 2013 conference on safety in Orlando.

Governor Tripp asked Dr. Bailey if there were currently any plans to gather the main campus security personnel to see where they are in today with their plans on making the university campuses safe. Dr. Bailey stated there are no plans to do this at this time, but would look at the idea of planning this for the future. Governor Hosseini stated that he would like to see all universities get together to discuss security, possibly a committee meeting.

Governor Stefano Cavallaro, Florida Student Association President provided an update on the SUS student affairs. Governor Cavallaro spoke of the leadership of former board member Carlos Fassi who was able to address student concerns to include tuition, veteran students, and for continued student success. He also expressed interest in working with the Florida Legislature to address the issue of taxing textbooks; to exempt the sales tax of textbooks. Governor Cavallaro stated that the Florida Student Association will be holding their next FSA Planning Conference Meeting on Friday, July 25, 2014 in Tallahassee.

8. Closing Remarks and Adjournment, Governor Tripp

Having no further business, Chair Tripp adjourned the meeting at 2:47 p.m.