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July 23, 2009

Dr. Richard Stevens  
Office of Academic and Student Affairs  
Division of Colleges and Universities  
Florida Board of Education  
325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1614  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400

Dear Dr. Stevens:

The Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees has approved a request from the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters to make the existing Bachelor of Music with an emphasis in Music Business degree (50.0909), a baccalaureate degree in excess of 120 hours. The documentation from the July 22, 2009 meeting of the FAU Board of Trustees is attached.

As the documentation indicates, the degree has an experiential course, Commercial Music Forum (MUS 1010), which was originally a zero credit course. As the interest in this degree has evolved, the amount of faculty time and resources has also increased. It is appropriate that it be a credit-earning course. This proposal was also supported by the students in the program.

When I originally checked on the approval process, I was advised by Dr. Dufforc that a letter of explanation and documentation that this was approved by the Board of Trustees was all that was required. As always, do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Diane E. Alperin, Associate Provost  
Academic Personnel and Programs

cc: John Pritchett, University Provost and  
Chief Academic Officer

Manjunath Pendakur, Dean  
Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters

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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### Florida Atlantic University

**Audit and Finance/Strategic Planning Joint Committee Meeting  
Full Board Meeting**

July 22, 2009, 10 am

777 Glades Road  
Marleen and Harold Forkas Alumni Center, Great Hall  
Boca Raton, Florida 33431

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**Audit and Finance/Strategic Planning Committees  
Joint Committee Meeting**

AFSP: A-M.	Call to Order and Roll Call	Trustee Nancy Blosser, Chair
AFSP: A-1.	Recommend Approval of a Pre-Development Agreement with Crocker Partners, LLC.	Mr. David Kian
AFSP: A-2.	Recommend Authorization of the Formation of a Not-for-Profit Corporation to Support Innovation Village Development	Mr. David Kian

**FULL BOARD MEETING**

I.	Call to Order and Roll Call	Trustee Nancy Blosser, Chair
II.	Chair's Report	Trustee Blosser
III.	President's Report	President Frank T. Brogan
IV.	Approval of the Minutes April 15, 2009 April 21, 2009 May 26, 2009 June 17, 2009	Trustee Blosser
V.	Consent Agenda	
	<b>a. Strategic Planning Committee</b>	
	SP: A-1. Approval of the 2010-2011 Capital Improvement Plan	
	SP: A-2. Approval of the University Advancement and FAU Foundation Annual Report	
	<b>b. Audit and Finance Committee</b>	
	AF: A-1. Approval of Regulation for Textbook Adoption	
	AF: A-2. Approval to Amend Regulation 7.003, FAU Traffic and Parking Program to Increase Transportation Access Fee and the Decal Fees	
	AF: A-3. Approval of the Florida Atlantic University 2007-08 Florida Equity Reports: Enrollment, Gender, Equity in Athletics and Employment	
	<b>c. Committee on Academic and Student Affairs</b>	
	AS: A-1. Approval of Policy on Graduate Admissions	
	AS: A-2. Approval of Regulations for Centers and Institutes	
	AS: A-3. Approval of Waiver to Exceed 120 credit hour limit for Bachelor's Degree in Commercial Music Degree Program	
	AS: A-4. Approval of Revision to FAU Regulation 4.013, Exceptional	

	<a href="#">Circumstances Withdrawals</a>	
	<a href="#">AS: A-5. Approval of Revision to FAU Regulation 4.014, Involuntary Withdrawals</a>	
<b>VI.</b>	<b>Action Agenda</b>	
	<a href="#">a. Approval of Land Transaction for HBOI at FAU</a>	<b>Ms. Elizabeth Rubin</b>
	<a href="#">b. Approval of Ground Lease to Max Planck Florida Corporation</a>	<b>Ms. Rubin</b>
	<a href="#">c. Approval of a Pre-Development Agreement with Crocker Partners, LLC.</a>	<b>Mr. David Kian</b>
	<a href="#">d. Approval Authorization of the Formation of a Not-for-Profit Corporation to Support Innovation Village Development</a>	<b>Mr. Kian</b>
<b>VII.</b>	<b>Old Business</b>	<b>Trustee Blosser</b>
<b>VIII.</b>	<b>New Business</b>	<b>Trustee Blosser</b>
<b>IX.</b>	<b>BOT Member Comments</b>	
<b>X.</b>	<b>Public Comments</b>	
<b>XI.</b>	<b>Adjournment</b>	
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Item: AS: A-3

Wednesday, July 22, 2009

**SUBJECT: Baccalaureate Degree in Commercial Music**

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

Approval of Excess Hours to Degree for the Bachelor of Music with an emphasis in Music Business (50.0909)

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

A track in Music Business within the Bachelor of Music degree was first approved in 1998. The current Bachelor of Music degree with an emphasis in Music Business was approved as a separate degree by the FAU Board of Trustees in 2005. This is a highly innovative degree program that continues to grow in number of students and prestige.

One of the requirements for this degree is enrollment in the Commercial Music Forum (MUS 1010). This is a hands-on, practical experience that prepares students to face the legal, creative, and financial realities of the music industry. When this course was first developed, it was a zero credit course. As it has evolved, however, it is a course that requires significant faculty time and resources. The University Faculty Senate has recently approved the change from a zero credit to a one credit course. This will add eight credits to the commercial music degree, making it a baccalaureate degree in excess of 120 credit hours. The Florida Board of Governors requires all degrees in excess of 120 hours to be approved by the university's Board of Trustees.

**IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE**

Fall 2009

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

This change will not result in a cost to the university; tuition will be collected for the course.

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Supporting Documentation:  
Presented by: Dean Manjunath Pendakur

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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Committee on Academic and Student Affairs  
 FROM: Heather Coltman, Chair  
 RE: Commercial Music Curriculum Change  
 DATE: May 7, 2009

On April 24<sup>th</sup> of this year the University Faculty Senate approved the department’s petition to change the Commercial Music Forum from a zero- to a one-credit course.

The Commercial Music Forum is a course that is designed to provide real-world experience in the music industry as an addendum to academic studies in the technology or creative tracks of the Bachelor of Music in Commercial Music degree, or work towards completion of requirement in the Bachelor of Music with an Emphasis in Music Business degree. In the Commercial Music Forum students are required to complete eight semesters of work for the department’s record label Hoot/Wisdom Recordings L.L.C..

The requirement that students work each semester on the label has been in place since the inception of the Commercial Music Program in 2002, but because that work for the label involves significant weekly student participation (two hours in class, plus weekly assignments), as well as faculty time and resources, it has now been deemed appropriate that it be a credit-earning course. The resultant effect of this new requirement is the addition of eight credits to each of the commercial music degrees.

The current total credits for the degrees are listed below.

	<u>CM-Creative</u>	<u>CM-Technology</u>	<u>CM -Business</u>
Vocal students:	129	127	125
Instrumental students:	128	126	124

The adjusted credit totals allowing for an additional eight credits would be:

	<u>CM-Creative</u>	<u>CM-Technology</u>	<u>CM -Business</u>
Vocal students:	137	135	133
Instrumental students:	136	134	132

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this matter. Please feel free to contact me personally if you have any additional questions.