

## FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

September 23, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Ratification of Interim President for Florida Atlantic University

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### PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Ratify appointment of Interim President at Florida Atlantic University as recommended by the FAU Board of Trustees.

### AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution.  
Board of Governors' Master Powers and Duties

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Section II (6) of the Board of Governors' (BOG) Master Powers and Duties states that the BOG will:

Approve the policies and procedures of each constituent college and university governing their respective presidential search, including criteria used in the selection, appointment, and evaluation. The Board of Governors' ratification of the final candidate is required.

On July 22, 2009, the Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees selected Dr. John Pritchett to serve as interim president of the University, pending ratification by the BOG.

Dr. Pritchett has served as the Provost and Chief Academic Officer of FAU since 2004, guiding the University through a time of academic transformation. He has presided over the establishment of a Graduate College, the transitioning of Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute into the university structure, redefining FAU's research efforts and the total reorganization of the university's undergraduate curriculum.

The Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees will appoint a Presidential Search and Selection Committee. Upon development and approval by the Board of Trustees of its policies and procedures governing the upcoming presidential selection process, the University will submit these procedures and policies to the BOG for approval.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** Curriculum Vitae of Dr. John Pritchett

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