

### **Board of Governors – Biographical Information**

The Board of Governors consists of 17 members, 14 of whom are appointed by the Governor. In addition to the 14 members appointed by the Governor, the Board of Governors automatically includes the Commissioner of Education, the Chair of the Advisory Council of Faculty Senates and the President of the Florida Student Association.

The new statewide Board of Governors will coordinate the State University System. It will also strengthen and support the role of the 11 individual University Boards of Trustees that were originally established with the implementation of the new K-20 education system and are reauthorized under this amendment. This new board is consistent with Florida's seamless, student-centered school system, which allows coordination and accountability at all levels of education.

Appointments to the Florida Board of Governors are effective January 7, 2003.

**Pamela "Pam" Bilbrey**, 48, of Pensacola, is currently a senior vice president of corporate development at Baptist Health Care Inc., a position she has held since 1997. Prior to that, Bilbrey served as the vice president of marketing at the Lakeview Center, Inc., from 1977 thru 1997. She is a current member of the American Marketing Association, Rotary Club of Pensacola and is a board member of Girl Scouts of America. Bilbrey received her undergraduate degree from Florida State University in 1976 and her master's degree in business administration in 1989.

**Dr. Castell V. Bryant**, 64, of Miami, has been the president of Miami-Dade Community College, North Campus since 1997. She has more than 20 years of administrative experience in post secondary education and previously served as a middle school teacher from 1974 thru 1978 and an educator at Florida A&M University from 1964 thru 1974. Dr. Bryant is also a former member of the Florida A&M University Board of Trustees. She is a current member of the Council on Black American Affairs, the National Commission for African Americans and the Miami-Dade Community College Foundation Board. Dr. Bryant received her undergraduate degree from Florida A&M University in 1975 and her doctorate in education from Nova University in 1981.

**John Dasburg**, 59, of Key Biscayne, is currently chairman, chief executive officer and president of Burger King Corporation, which is headquartered in Miami. Prior to his position with Burger King, he served as president and chief executive officer of Northwest Airlines, the world's fourth largest airline, from 1990-2001. He was also president of Marriott Lodging and CEO of Marriott Corporation. Dasburg has held numerous positions with boards and associations including UF Foundation Board of Directors, the UF Business Advisory Council and the Mayo Clinic Foundation. Dasburg received his undergraduate degree in industrial engineering, his MBA and his law degree all from the University of Florida.

**Miguel De Grandy**, 44, is an attorney in private practice in Miami. He is the president of Miguel De Grandy, P.A., a position he has held since 2001. Prior to that, he was a partner with Greenberg, Traurig, P.A., law firm. De Grandy has also served as an assistant state attorney in the 4th Judicial Circuit and as a member of the Florida House of Representatives from 1989-1994. He received his undergraduate degree and his law degree from the University of Florida.



**Rolland Heiser**, 77, of Sarasota is a retired Lt. General with the Army. He spent 32 years serving in the Army, from 1947-1978. He is currently president of the New College Foundation and past director of the Sarasota Chamber of Commerce. Heiser received his undergraduate degree from the U.S. Military Academy and his master's degree in international affairs from George Washington University.

**Gerri Moll**, 41, of Naples, is currently president of Bank of America, SW Florida, a position he has held since 1984. She is also a member of the Florida Gulf Coast University Foundation Board, the Leadership Florida Board of Regents and the Collier County Economic Development Council. Moll received her undergraduate degree in economics/finance from McMaster University and a graduate school-banking certificate from Louisiana State University.

**Joan Wellhouse Newton**, 73, of Orange Park, is currently serving as chairman emeritus for Regency Centers, Inc., a position she has held since 1997. Prior to that, Newton served as chairman of the board at Regency Centers, Inc. from 1963-1997. She has served as chairman of the Jacksonville Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, vice chairman of the National Advisory Council for Historic Preservation and on the board of directors of Barnett Banks of Florida. She currently serves on the executive committee of the board of the Cummer Gallery of Art and Gardens, the executive committee of the board of Bok Tower Gardens in Lake Wales, FL, the finance committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Florida, the Episcopal Foundation, and the Youth Music Education Board of the Jacksonville Symphony. Newton received her Associate of Art degree from Briarcliff Junior College in 1949.

**Ava L. Parker**, 40, of Jacksonville, is an attorney and partner for the law offices of Lawrence, Parker & Neighbors, LLC, a position she has held since 1999. She previously served as the general counsel at Edward Waters College from 1995 thru 1997. She is currently president of the Florida Chapter National Bar Association, general counsel for the Eleventh Episcopal District of the AME Church, and a member of the University of Central Florida Board of Trustees. Parker received her undergraduate degree from the University of Florida in 1984 and her law degree from the University of Florida College of Law in 1987.

**Thomas F. Petway**, 62, of Jacksonville, is currently chairman of the board for Zurich Insurance Services, Inc., a position he has held since 1977. He previously served several terms as a member of the Florida Board of Regents for Florida's State University System and currently is the chair of Governor Bush's Transition Team. He received his undergraduate degree from Florida State University.

**Carolyn K. Roberts**, 57, of Ocala, is currently the president of Roberts Real Estate, Inc., a position held since 1993. In 1989, she was appointed by Governor Martinez to the Board of Regents, and later reappointed by Governor Bush. In 2001, Governor Bush appointed her to the Florida Board of Education. She also served on the Shands Health Care Board of Directors, and as chair of the University of Florida Foundation. Roberts received an undergraduate degree in business from Florida Southern College in 1969.

**Chris Sullivan**, 54, of Tampa, is currently the chairman, CEO, and founder of Outback Steakhouse, Inc. He is also a member of the Council of 100 and the Florida Chamber of Commerce. Also, Sullivan served as a former chairman the Employee Policies Institute Foundation. Sullivan received his undergraduate degree in business and economics from the University of Kentucky in 1972.



**John W. Temple**, 65, of Boca Raton, is president and CEO of Temple Development Company, a position he has held since 1989. Prior to that, he served as president of Arvida Corporation and Arvida/Disney. He is currently a member of the Florida Council of 100, the Tourist Development Council and the Urban Land Institute. Temple received his undergraduate degree from the University of Washington in 1959 and his master's in business administration from Stanford University in 1965.

**Steven Uhlfelder**, 56, of Tallahassee is currently a lawyer in private practice. He was a partner with Holland and Knight LLP Law Firm from 1993-2001. He has also served as special counsel to Governor Reuben Askew and executive director of the Florida Constitution Revision Commission. Uhlfelder is currently a member of the Florida State University Board of Trustees and is the co-chair of Governor Jeb Bush's Mentoring Initiative. He is also a past member of the Florida Board of Regents. Uhlfelder received his undergraduate degree and his law degree from the University of Florida.

**Zachariah P. Zachariah, M.D.**, 53, of Sea Ranch Lakes in Broward County, has been a physician since 1976. He currently serves on the Board of Trustees for Nova Southeastern University and is a Clinical (Voluntary) Professor of Medicine at the University of Miami School of Medicine. Prior to that, Zachariah served on the Board of Medicine and has held the board positions of chairman and vice president. Zachariah attended University Intermediate College for Graduate Training, received an M.B.B.S. degree from Armed Forces Medical College in Poona, India and completed an internship at University Medical College in Trivandrum, India and an internship and residency at St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center.

**Jim Horne**, is Florida's Commissioner of Education. He is a former State Senator who was appointed Florida's first Secretary of Education by Governor Jeb Bush as he signed legislation implementing the reorganization of Florida's education system. In this role, Horne has been responsible for overseeing the transition from a segmented series of delivery systems to a seamless, student-centered K-20 education delivery structure including, but not limited to, rewriting Florida's Education Laws and the first K-20 budget. Horne's life has been dedicated to the cause of public education. Elected to the State Senate for District Six in 1994, Horne was active in the formulation and implementation of education policies for our state. He was a member of the Education Governance Reorganization Task Force, which recommended the major components of the K-20 structure. Horne is a native of Jacksonville and a graduate of Florida State University. He and his wife Lori are the parents of four children who attend public elementary, middle, and high schools.

**Dr. Richard W. Briggs** is Chairman of the Advisory Council of Faculty Senates. He has been a Professor of Radiology, at the University of Florida since 1987, He received his Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry from the University of Arkansas and has done Postdoctoral work at Oxford and Yale Universities. He is a native of Iola, Kansas.

**Pablo E. Paez** is President of the Florida Student Association and is Student Body President of Florida Atlantic University, was born in Quito, Ecuador and lives in Boca Raton. His major is finance and his minor is German. He is fluent in English, Spanish, and German, and his hobby is sports, especially soccer. Paez has served the student body in a number of roles. He is also the president and founder of the Association of Latin American Students, Vice President/Co-Founder of the College Republicans, President/Co-Founder of the Future Politicians Association, and is President/Co-Founder of the Young Leaders Organization. Among other organizations, Paez is a member of Alpha Epsilon Pi, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, and Golden Key.