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.