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1. Call to Order and Chair's Remarks

Chair Mori Hosseini convened the meeting at 11:30 a.m., on March 19, 2015, with the following members present and answering roll call: Vice Chair Tom Kuntz; Dick Beard; Matthew Carter; Stefano Cavallaro; Dean Colson; Patricia Frost; H. Wayne Huizenga, Jr.; Ned C. Lautenbach; Alan Levine; Wendy Link; Dr. Katherine Robinson; Pam Stewart; and Norman Tripp.

Chair Hosseini thanked Chair Badger and President Mangum for hosting the Board meeting. Chair Badger said it is an honor for FAMU each time the Board meets on campus and they are very supportive of the Board's work and efforts. President Mangum echoed Chair Badger's remarks and stated she hoped the members would have additional opportunities to come to FAMU's campus for programs and activities.

Chair Hosseini recognized Patricia and Phillip Frost for their generous donation to the Phillip and Patricia Frost Museum of Science, bringing their total contribution to \$45 million. This gift is yet another investment the Frosts have made in enhancing education for Florida students.

Chair Hosseini noted we are in the third week of legislative session. He thanked Governor Scott, President Gardiner and Speaker Crisafulli for their support of the Board's performance funding model and higher education. Governor Scott has included \$100 million in new funding for the performance funding model and Speaker Crisafulli emphasized the need to increase performance funding for universities in his opening address to the House of Representatives.

Chair Hosseini commended Governor Scott and legislative leadership for looking at initiatives to make postsecondary education more affordable, citing the Governor's proposed sales tax exemption for textbooks as an example. He then introduced Ashley Spicola, the Education Policy Coordinator in the Governor's office to provide the Board with an overview of Governor Scott's legislative priorities.

## 2. Overview of Governor Scott's Legislative Priorities for Higher Education

Ms. Spicola thanked the Board for its service to the State and for the opportunity to provide an overview of the Governor's legislative priorities. These priorities include holding the line on tuition and fees, including at the graduate and professional school levels; eliminating sales tax on textbooks; providing additional notice to students of the textbooks that will be required for 90% of their courses; requiring textbooks for undergraduate courses to be used for a minimum of three years; requiring universities to consult with school districts to identify ways to reduce the costs of dual enrollment; and requiring that boards of trustees provide thirty days' advance notice of any proposal that would increase tuition or fees.

Ms. Spicola explained Governor Scott believes college affordability should be an ongoing discussion and the proposed bill sponsored by Senator Flores includes a requirement for the Board of Governors to research ways to reduce costs to students. She concluded the presentation by inviting the members to provide feedback on the proposed legislation.

## 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

### A. Board of Governors Meeting held January 22, 2015

Mr. Tripp moved the Board approve the Minutes of the meeting held on January 22, 2015, as presented. Mr. Lautenbach seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

## 4. Chancellor's Report

Chancellor Criser turned to Governor Stewart for an update on the Sunshine State Scholars Program. Governor Stewart explained the Program is designed to recognize top students in each school district taking STEM-accelerated courses and who are interested in pursuing a career in a STEM field. Scholarships under the Program cover both tuition and room and board for approximately 70 students. She urged the universities to participate in the Program so we can keep these students in Florida to pursue STEM postsecondary degrees and remain here for a career in a STEM field.

Chancellor Criser updated the Board on the status of the Governance Council for the FAMU-FSU College of Engineering. The first meeting of the Council will be held next week and an agenda has been circulated to Presidents Mangum and Thrasher for their input. He recognized Iris Elijah, the new Assistant General Counsel for the Board. Ms. Elijah was formerly with the General Counsel's office at FAMU and will be assisting

Ms. Shirley. He also recognized Renee Fargason for her top-notch work in keeping staff apprised of pending legislation during session. Finally, Chancellor Criser stated Chair Hosseini has been recognized by the United Way of Volusia as the 2015 recipient of the Herbert M. Davidson Memorial Award for Outstanding Community Service, which is presented annually to individuals who have demonstrated a career of exceptional service to the community. He commended Chair Hosseini and his wife, Forough, for their dedication, time and effort in helping others through community service.

5. Public Comment

Chair Hosseini asked the Board's General Counsel Vikki Shirley if there were any requests for public comment for items on the Board's agenda. Ms. Shirley stated no requests for public comment were received.

6. Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the University Medical Service Association, Inc.

Chair Hosseini called on the Board's General Counsel, Ms. Vikki Shirley. Ms. Shirley explained the Board's Faculty Practice Plan regulation requires amendments to a university's faculty practice plan to be approved by the Board. The University of South Florida recently certified its faculty practice plan corporation, the University Medical Service Association, Inc. (UMSA), as a direct support organization and approved amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of USMA. The amendments revised the composition of the board of directors and the executive management committee; designated the Vice President for Health Sciences as the Chair of the board, and designated the University of South Florida Board of Trustees as the corporation's sole non-voting member.

Mr. Levine moved to approve the amendments to the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of UMSA. Mr. Tripp seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

7. Audit and Compliance Committee Report

Chair Hosseini recognized Mr. Levine for the Audit and Compliance Committee report. Mr. Levine stated the Audit and Compliance Committee held a workshop yesterday that led to a robust dialogue with the boards of trustees' audit chairs and university chief audit executives about high-level system-wide risk issues that require more attention. One area in particular relates to information technology security and the need to identify gaps in IT security and ensure we have the necessary resources to close those gaps.

Mr. Levine reported that they also discussed system priorities moving forward from the standpoint of compliance programs and the need to standardize that function. He noted some universities have very robust compliance programs, while others do not. He explained they are developing a regulation to standardize the compliance function across the system and will be asking for input from the university chief audit executives.

Finally, Mr. Levine reported they discussed the division of responsibilities of the Board of Governors and boards of trustees, and how that has evolved over time, particularly in the areas of compliance, audit and investigations. Mr. Levine commended Mr. Maleszewski for his presentation during the workshop.

A. Approval, University Performance Based Funding Data Integrity  
Certifications and Corrective Action Plans

In addition to the workshop, the Audit and Compliance Committee held a regular committee meeting with one action item. Mr. Maleszewski provided a summary of the audits, certification and corrective action plans related to performance-based funding. Nine of the eleven universities identified issues with either their policies or procedures that were then corrected as a result of this process. Mr. Levine commented this demonstrates that the audit and certification process works and should resolve any issues with the validity of the data used in the performance-based funding model. He then moved to approve the University Performance-based Funding Data Integrity Corrective Action Plans. Mr. Lautenbach seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

8. Strategic Planning Committee Report

Chair Hosseini called on Mr. Colson for the Strategic Planning Committee report. Mr. Colson reported the committee took up two items, one of which was an action item and the other for information.

A. Approval, Updates to the State University System 2013-2014 Annual  
Accountability Report

The first action item was to approve updates to the 2013-2014 Annual Accountability Report. The January release of the Annual Accountability Report is considered preliminary because it is not finalized until after all data has been submitted as of March 1. Staff provided an errata sheet that summarizes the final data to be included in the report. Mr. Colson moved that the Board approve the updates to the 2013-2014

Annual Accountability Report. Mr. Beard seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

Mr. Colson also reported the Committee continued its discussion of university affordability, with Chancellor Criser presenting information on affordability based upon different family income brackets. Mr. Colson noted he expects the Committee to make policy recommendations to the Board by the end of the year.

## 9. Academic and Student Affairs Committee Report

Chair Hosseini recognized Mr. Tripp to report on the Academic and Student Affairs Committee. Mr. Tripp stated the Academic and Student Affairs Committee considered a number of action items requiring Board approval.

### A. Academic Program Items

- i. Approval, Implementation of the Doctorate in Clinical Nutrition, CIP 51.3102, UNF

The Committee approved the University of North Florida's request to offer a Doctorate in Clinical Nutrition, with an emphasis on Advanced Practice that will be implemented in Fall 2016. Mr. Tripp moved approval of the Doctorate in Clinical Nutrition, CIP 51.3102, University of North Florida. Mr. Lautenbach seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

- ii. Approval, Implementation of the Doctor of Nursing Practice, CIP 51.3818, FGCU

The Committee approved Florida Gulf Coast University's request to offer a Doctor of Nursing Practice with two pathways: the MSN to DNP and the BSN to DNP. If approved by the Board, the program will be implemented in Fall 2016. Mr. Tripp moved approval of the Doctor of Nursing Practice, CIP 51.3818, Florida Gulf Coast University. Mr. Lautenbach seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

- iii. Approval, Implementation of the Doctor of Social Work, CIP 51.1503, FAU

This item was deferred until a subsequent meeting.

- iv. Approval, Termination of the Ph.D. and Ed.D. in Marriage and Family Counseling, CIP 51.1505, UF

The Committee approved the University of Florida's request to terminate the Ph.D. and Ed.D. programs in Marriage and Family Counseling. If approved by the Board, the program termination will be retroactive effective Fall 2013 with a phase-out date of Summer 2015.

Mr. Tripp moved approval of the termination of the Ph.D. and Ed.D. in Marriage and Family Counseling, CIP 51.1505, at the University of Florida with an effective date of Fall 2013. Mr. Lautenbach seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

- v. Approval, Termination of the Ph.D. and Ed.D. in Mental Health Counseling, CIP 51.1508

The Committee approved the University of Florida's request to terminate the Ph.D. and Ed.D. programs in Mental Health Counseling. If approved by the Board, the program termination will be retroactive effective Fall 2013 with a phase-out date of Summer 2015.

Mr. Tripp moved approval of the termination of the Ph.D. and Ed.D. in Mental Health Counseling, CIP 51.1508, at the University of Florida with an effective date of Fall 2013. Mr. Lautenbach seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

## B. Board of Governors Regulations

- i. Public Notice of Intent to Establish Board of Governors Regulation 6.020 College Credit for Online Courses Completed Prior to Initial Enrollment

Mr. Tripp moved that the Board approve the Public Notice of Intent to Establish Board of Governors Regulation 6.020 College Credit for Online Courses. Mr. Lautenbach seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

Mr. Tripp reported the Committee heard updates on three state-wide initiatives relating to the APPRiSE notification system, campus security, and the Florida Center for Cybersecurity. Mr. Tripp called on Mr. Cavallaro to present an update from the Florida Student Association (FSA). Mr. Cavallaro reported FSA representatives met yesterday to discuss legislative priorities and participate in a joint press conference with the Governor to express their support for the proposed sales tax exemption on textbooks and extension of Bright Futures Scholarship funds for summer terms. He said FSA is opposed to the bill that would allow persons with concealed weapons permits to carry firearms on university campuses and recommended that students be included as participants in the upcoming Campus Security Summit. Because this is his last in-



person meeting, Mr. Cavallaro thanked the Board, the Chancellor, the Presidents, the Trustees, and Board staff for the tremendous learning experience that came from serving as the student member of the Board. He commented the experience would serve him well throughout his life.

Chair Hosseini asked the university presidents to provide an update to the Academic and Student Affairs Committee that touches on how efficient their degree programs are, how many graduates are finding employment, and an explanation of the return on investment for the degree programs.

#### 10. Budget and Finance Committee Report

Chair Hosseini recognized Mr. Kuntz for the Budget and Finance Committee report. Mr. Kuntz reported that the committee has two items.

##### A. Approval, Auxiliary Facilities that have Bond Covenants Requiring Approval of Estimated 2015-2016 Operating Budgets

Mr. Kuntz moved that the Board approve the 2015-2016 operating budgets for auxiliary facilities that have bond covenants requiring Board approval as submitted by the seven universities. Mr. Lautenbach seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

##### B. Approval, 2016-2017 Legislative Budget Request Guidelines

Mr. Kuntz moved that the Board approve the revised 2016-2017 Legislative Budget Request Guidelines for the operating funds. Mr. Lautenbach seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

#### 11. Facilities Committee Report

Chair Hosseini called on Mr. Huizenga for the Facilities Committee report. Mr. Huizenga said the Committee considered several items that require Board approval.

##### A. Approval, Public Notice of Intent to Approve Amended Board of Governors Regulation 14.020 University Supervision of Construction Program

Mr. Huizenga moved that the Board approve amended Board of Governors Regulation 14.020, University Supervision of Construction Program, but to delay implementation of the amendments to July 1, 2015, to provide time for an orderly implementation. Mr. Kuntz seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

B. Approval, Florida Polytechnic University Housing Project

Mr. Huizenga moved approval of a Resolution authorizing Florida Polytechnic University to enter into a ground lease and an operating agreement for the construction, leasing, financing, operation and maintenance of a student housing facility with Vestcor Communities, or its affiliate. Mr. Tripp seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

C. Approval, 2016-2017 Legislative Budget Request Guidelines

Mr. Huizenga moved approval of the 2016-2017 Legislative Budget Request Fixed Capital Outlay Guidelines. Mr. Kuntz seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously.

12. Innovation and Online Committee Report

Chair Hosseini recognized Mr. Lautenbach for the Innovation and Online Committee report. Mr. Lautenbach reported the Committee heard an update from Provost Joe Glover on the Unizin Consortium and the Committee directed Chancellor Criser to work with university leadership in pursuing membership for the State University System in the consortium. The second item was an update from Dr. Nancy McKee on the five priority items the Committee approved last year.

13. Nomination and Governance Committee Report

A. Approval, Appointment of Candidates to fill Trustee Vacancies

Chair Hosseini reported the Committee made recommendations to fill trustee vacancies on various university boards of trustees. Each appointment term runs from March 19, 2015 to January 6, 2020, except the appointment terms for the vacancies at Florida Polytechnic University run from March 19, 2015 to July 15, 2019, due to the fact the terms expired last July and the current trustees have been holding over.

The Committee moved approval of the following trustee appointments: for Florida Atlantic University, Mr. Anthony Barbar and Mr. Michael Dennis; for Florida Gulf Coast University, Ms. Robbie Roepstorff and Mr. Christian Spilker; for Florida International University, Mr. Justo Pozo and Ms. Natasha Lowell; for Florida Polytechnic University, Mr. Richard Hallion and Mr. Donald Wilson; for Florida State University, Mr. Mark Hillis and Mr. Bob Sasser; for New College of Florida, Mr. William Johnston and Ms. Felice Schulaner; for the University of Central Florida, Mr.

Robert Garvy; for the University of Florida, Ms. Anita Zucker and Mr. David Brandon; for the University of North Florida, Mr. Oscar Munoz and Mr. Hans Tanzler III; for the University of South Florida, Mr. Brian Lamb and Mr. Harold Mullis; and for the University of West Florida, Mr. John O'Sullivan and Ms. Bentina Terry.

Mr. Beard seconded the motion, and the members concurred unanimously. All of the appointments are subject to confirmation by the Senate and each appointee attending an orientation session conducted by the Board office.

14. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment

Chair Hosseini reported that the next meeting is a conference call scheduled on May 7, 2015, and the next in-person meeting of the Board is scheduled for June 16-18, 2015, at the University of South Florida.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:21 p.m. on March 19, 2015.

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Mori Hosseini, Chair

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Vikki Shirley,  
Corporate Secretary