

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
November 6, 2014**

**SUBJECT: Consideration of Confirmation of President for Florida State University**

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

Consider the confirmation of Mr. John E. Thrasher as the fifteenth president of Florida State University as recommended by the Board of Trustees of Florida State University.

**AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution; Board of Governors Regulation 1.001  
University Boards of Trustees Powers and Duties

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Sub-paragraph (5)(c ) of Regulation 1.001 provides that the board of trustees shall select its president subject to confirmation by the Board of Governors. The candidate shall be required to appear before the Board of Governors for the confirmation. A two-thirds vote of the Board of Governors shall be required to deny confirmation of a candidate selected by a board of trustees.

On September 23, 2014, the Board of Trustees of Florida State University selected Mr. John E. Thrasher to serve as the fifteenth president of Florida State University. The Florida State University Board of Trustees Chair Allan Bense requested confirmation of Mr. Thrasher's selection by the Board of Governors.

Florida State University provided the following documents for review:

- (1) Letter from Florida State University Board of Trustees Chair, including Summary of Contractual Provisions and Compliance Statement,
- (2) Presidential Search Process and Criteria,
- (3) Search Timeline,
- (4) Names of Search Committee Members,
- (5) Position Announcement,
- (6) Candidate's Letter of Application,
- (7) Candidate's Curriculum Vitae, and
- (8) Letters of Recommendation

The selection is pending confirmation by the Board of Governors.

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**Facilitators/Presenters:**

Mr. Mori Hosseini, Chair, Board of Governors  
Mr. Ed Morton, Member, Board of Governors  
Florida State University Presidential Search  
Committee

Mr. Allan Bense, Chair, Florida State University  
Board of Trustees

Mr. John E. Thrasher, Candidate