# MINUTES STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS FACILITIES COMMITTEE FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY BOCA RATON, FLORIDA NOVEMBER 5, 2014

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Chairman H. Wayne Huizenga, Jr. convened the Board of Governors Facilities Committee meeting at 2:54 p.m., November 5, 2014, at Florida Atlantic University. The following members were present: Vice Chair Dick Beard, Matt Carter, Mori Hosseini, Wendy Link, Edward Morton, and Katherine Robinson . Also present were Board members Stefano Cavallaro, Dean Colson, Pat Frost, Tom Kuntz, Ned Lautenbach, Pam Stewart, Norm Tripp, and Elizabeth Webster.

#### 1. <u>Call to Order</u>

Governor Huizenga called the meeting of the Facilities Committee to order.

# 2. Approval of Minutes of the Meetings of the Facilities Committee

Governor Morton moved that the Committee approve the minutes of the Facilities Committee meeting held September 17, 2014. Governor Beard seconded the motion, and members of the Committee concurred.

## 3. Discussion of High Priority Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

Governor Huizenga noted the success of the Facilities Workshop held on October 8, 2014 and the importance and value the follow-up list of Questions and Answers has been for the Board. It was stressed that the universities seek assistance from Board Staff in finalizing development of specific Legislative Budget Requests in preparation for the next Board meeting in January.

Board Staff has created a Matrix to assist in developing project priorities. Factors within this Matrix include prior funding, job production, efficiency and relative need. Governor Huizenga asks that Board Staff begin working with Universities to finalize such benchmarks in order to be utilized in time for the 2016-2017 funding cycle.

# 5. <u>Approval of a Proposal to Establish a Special Purpose Center for the</u> International Center for Tropical Botany, Florida International University

First on the list of action items is a motion to designate the Florida International University's International Center for Tropical Botany as a Special Purpose Center. This

is a unique opportunity for the programs already established here, which have received a \$5,000,000 donation for the development of a new facility in Coconut Grove. Moreover this facility would be an asset to tropical research, in Florida and the rest of the country, as the only other four national centers are located in Hawaii.

Governor Morton moved that the Committee approve the item. Governor Carter seconded the motion, and members of the Committee concurred.

### 6. <u>Debt Approval</u>

The second action item was to adopt a resolution approving the issuance of fixed rate debt by the University of Central Florida's Golden Knights Corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 for the purpose of financing the construction of an athletics building. The intent of UCF is to pay off the fifteen-year bank loan through donations. The athletics building will be located on the main campus. Governor Morton moved that the Committee approve the request. Governor Carter seconded the motion. The committee unanimously approved the item as presented.

#### 7. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment

A conference call will be established in December to review the initial staff recommendations regarding the Fixed Capital Outlay Budget Request.

The new year will be met with a full agenda for the Facilities Committee, meeting January 21, 2015. Looking ahead Board Staff will produce a draft of Public-Private Partnership (P3) Guidelines, two Educational Plant Surveys, one bond deal, one P-3 deal, and changes to the Legislative Budget Request.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:16 p.m., November 5, 2014.

	H. Wayne Huizenga, Jr., Chair
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