

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
Select Committee on Florida Polytechnic University  
January 21, 2014**

**SUBJECT: Florida Polytechnic University Implementation Update and Progress Report**

**PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION**

For information

**AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

In 2012, the Legislature created and Governor Scott signed the legislation establishing Florida Polytechnic University. Section 1004.345, Florida Statutes, requires that by December 31, 2016, the university shall achieve accreditation from the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; initiate new programs in STEM fields; seek discipline-specific accreditation for programs; attain a minimum FTE of 1,244, with a minimum 50 percent of that FTE in the STEM fields and 20 percent in programs related to those fields; complete facilities and infrastructure; and have the ability to provide administration of financial aid, admissions, student support, information technology, and finance and accounting with an internal audit function. The university enrolled its first students in Fall 2014.

Florida Polytechnic University will provide brief remarks and respond to any questions from the Select Committee concerning its latest monthly progress update, including student enrollment, faculty recruitment, curriculum development, scholarship support, and budget and facilities.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** Progress Report

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