MINUTES STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

SELECT COMMITTEE ON FLORIDA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA TAMPA, FLORIDA

June 21, 2017

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

Governor Wendy Link called the meeting to order at 2:13 p.m. June 21, 2017 with Committee members Morton and Valverde present. A quorum was established. Other Board members in attendance were Governors Beard, Frost, Huizenga, Kitson, Kuntz, Lautenbach, Levine (by telephone), Patel, Stewart, Tripp, and Tyson.

2. Approval of Select Committee Minutes, March 30, 2017

Governor Link called for a motion to approve the minutes of the Select Committee's March 30, 2017 meeting. A motion to approve was made by Governor Valverde, seconded by Governor Morton, and the motion carried unanimously.

3. <u>Florida Polytechnic University Implementation Status Report</u>

Governor Link said that the Committee's next item was to receive Florida Polytechnic University's latest implementation status report from President Randy Avent. President Avent announced that Florida Polytechnic University had received accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

Dr. Avent indicated that his initial concerns when he was appointed as President of Florida Polytechnic were that the legislatively stipulated timeline for accreditation was very ambitious and that Poly might not reach its required enrollment of 1,244. He said that these stipulations and all others had now been satisfied.

President Avent gave his thanks to the Florida Legislature, to the Office of the Governor, and to the Board of Governors for their support. He said now that the legislative mandates have been satisfied, Poly could begin a forward-looking focus and that he would be meeting with various stakeholders to seek their input.

Governor Link thanked President Avent for his hard work and the work of his staff in achieving SACS accreditation and satisfying all other legislative requirements. Her sentiments were echoed by Board Chair Kuntz. Governor Kuntz also thanked Governor Link for her exceptionally hard work in chairing the Select Committee.

4. <u>Closing Remarks and Adjournment</u>

Governor Link said that, as the Select Committee's purpose had been served, it could now be disbanded. Governor Kuntz agreed. There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chair Link adjourned the meeting at 2:21 p.m.

Wendy Link, Chair	

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