

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CONFERENCE CALL MEETING MINUTES

January 12, 2015
10:00 am

Florida State University
222 South Copeland Street
201 Westcott Building
Tallahassee FL

Members Present: Kathryn Ballard, Allan Bense, Ed Burr, Joe Camps, Stefano Cavallaro*, June Duda, Joe Gruters, Andy Haggard, Mark Hillis*, Leslie Pantin, Peggy Rolando, Brent Sembler and Gary Tyson*

*Present in 201 Westcott

I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Mr. Allan Bense, Chair

Chair Bense called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Lynna Sands conducted the roll call.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (ACTION)

No objection to the November 21, 2014, meeting minutes as presented. The minutes were approved unanimously.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were provided.

IV. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

President Thrasher provided an update regarding various University issues including:

- Dr. Sally McRorie was appointed as Interim Provost in light of Provost Garnett Stokes' departure. A search committee is being organized for the position. Dr. Don Gibson will head the search.*
- Florida State University is being sued (Jameis Winston's accuser) alleging that the university violated Title IX and did not handle the case properly.*
- President Thrasher met with the ACC regarding the ACC Television Network*

- *We are still in process with the Madison Street property swap.*
- *President Thrasher met with Ronny Ahmed's family regarding his return to Florida State University and assisting with transportation, housing and a service dog. We will be working with the family to help Ronnie.*
- *Several Board of Trustee members are interested in a speaker's bureau to speak at schools, Rotary clubs and other groups regarding the good things that are happening at Florida State University.*

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Academic Affairs

Dr. Garnett Stokes, Provost

Action Items

1. Requesting Approval of the 2013-2014 Annual Accountability Report
Trustee Pantin motioned to approve the 2013-2014 Annual Accountability Report. Trustee Sembler seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

B. University Advancement

Dr. Tom Jennings, Vice President for University Advancement

Action Item

1. Requesting Approval of Amendments to the Alumni Association Bylaws
Trustee Tyson motioned to approve the Amendments to the Alumni Association Bylaws. Trustee Rolando seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.
2. Requesting Approval of the Naming of the Kotler-Coville Glass Pavilion at the John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art
Trustee Camps motioned to approve the Naming of the Kotler-Coville Glass Pavilion at the John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art. Trustee Sembler seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

VII. CHAIR'S REPORT

Mr. Allan Bense, Chair

VIII. OPEN FORUM FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mr. Allan Bense, Chair

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.