FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Student Affairs Committee

MEETING MINUTES (DRAFT)
Thursday, June 15, 2023
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Attended via Zoom: Drew Weatherford (committee chair), Vivian de las Cuevas-Diaz (committee), Jack Hitchcock (committee), Deborah Sargeant (committee), BOT Chair Peter Collins, BOT Vice-Chair Bob Sasser, Kathryn Ballard, Bridgett Birmingham, Jim Henderson, Justin Roth.

Trustees Absent: Max Alvarez, Jorge Gonzalez, John Thiel.

Staff: Richard McCullough, President; Amy Hecht, Vice President for Student Affairs; Angela Chong, Associate Vice President, Student Affairs; and other university staff.

I. Call to Order and Welcome
Chairman Weatherford called the meeting to order at 8:03 AM. Welcomed the newest Trustee on the committee, Jack Hitchcock.

II. Approval of Minutes from February 20, 2023

Trustee de las Cuevas-Diaz moved to approve the committee meeting minutes from February 20, 2023. Trustee Sargeant seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously by all committee members present on the call.

III. Student Affairs Update, Dr. Amy Hecht, Vice President for Student Affairs

a. Reimagining Career Services

i. We have reclassified the Director position to Assistant Vice President for Career Services and are working on finding a firm to assist us in this job search. We
currently have an RFP out to hire a marketing firm to help overhaul the structure of the center. This will allow us to better organize our career center and the programs they offer. We are also hiring a Data Analyst, who will help us determine where our students are after they graduate, and what their career trajectories are. This information will be used to assist our alumni engagement and advancement opportunities. We also aim to combine this data with the data collected by individual colleges, to create a dashboard that will allow for early intervention of college students to help steer them toward success post-graduation. We have also launched Industry Travel for staff in the Career Center to meet with companies across the state to gain a better understanding of what each industry is currently facing, while also promoting our students and their efforts.

b. Fraternity and Sorority Life

i. Our Fraternity and Sorority Life has worked hard in the last five years to improve the community and annually we look at this accountability matrix. We keep track of membership in each council, conduct, advisor support, recruitment, service hours, and academics, as well as other metrics. Chairman Collins asked what the capacity of the communities is, specifically Panhellenic, where 64.1% of participants were placed in the community after recruitment. Panhellenic recruitment utilizes a mutual selection process, so we have spots available across the community for everyone who participates, but they might not have received a spot they wanted and released from the process. If this number continues to trend down, we will look at opportunities to expand the community, such as bringing another chapter to campus. Chairman Weatherford asked if we have similar data on a national level. The board discussed the Piazza Center scorecard and the
benefits of joining a different matrix. Trustee Sargeant raised the concern if these membership numbers were just freshman in the fall semester. This data is for the entire year, and we have students who join as sophomores, juniors, and seniors. We also track the number of students who participate in leadership and development trainings, as well as hazing and prevention education.

c. Other Notable Accomplishments

i. This was the first year for Build Your Foundation HB1261. 99% of the students enrolled in the program completed the module. We also implemented HB1507 and awarded the Fundamentals of Written Communication Badge to 6,902 students.

ii. Highlighted our amazing Sports Clubs at Florida State University and their National Championship Results. These clubs provide a way for our students to stay involved with sports they may have played varsity for in high school and are entirely student run.

iii. UHS providers served 17,021 unique students for a total of 32,505 in the fall and spring. We also provided 180 Narcan doses to the campus for potential later use, along with 7 training events.

iv. Our LIFT Recovery Community is thriving. They’ve received over $125,000 in support from donors and hosted over 100 people at the premiere of our Safety Net documentary in March of this year. The community has reached over 1,000 unique student engagements, with over 64 active events and programs, and currently has 45 active members.

v. Our Center for Leadership and Service helps students register to vote and was recognized with the highest possible distinction from ALL IN Democracy Challenge as a Highly Established Voting Campus for 2022. The Center also
hosted two Alternative Spring Breaks. One in Boone, NC, on a sustainable farm, and the other in Naples, FL, for Hurricane Ian relief.

vi. Florida State University celebrated 25 years of Living Learning Communities known as LLCs. 10 LLCs were offered last year, totaling 527 students. Our first-generation college student LLC opened last August, titled FGen Noles. We are also working to open a Film LLC and Business LLC, planned to launch in Fall 2024.

vii. Childcare received a grant for $1,353,400 per year for four years to provide no-cost childcare to FSU students, faculty and staff. The capacity is determined by the state, and we prioritize students. We have not turned away a student from this service, but there is a waitlist for our faculty and staff.

d. Future Project Updates

i. Housing Expansion - our Scion Consultants report is in progress, due to us in the beginning of July. Following the report will be an RFP for an architect, scheduled for October of this year.

ii. Campus Recreation - there is an RFP in progress for ALW and Sasaki to revise our strategic facility plan. The process has started with hiring an additional consultant for the boutique fitness project and to assist in refining the business proposal. Funds have been confirmed to off-set the $1.3m shortfall due to increased minimum wage. The committee will continue to discuss the budget issues and campus recreation projects in order to best enhance the student experience. Chairman Collins would also like the Finance and Business Committee to assist VP Kyle Clark and President McCullough with these projects, alongside Trustee Hitchcock and the student population.
iii. E-Sports- We have identified space for a centrally located E-Sports program near our current gaming area in Askew. We are working with ITS and E-Sports RSOs to implement, also working with facilities to determine if a minor renovation to the space is necessary. We expect to launch this program in Fall 2023.

IV. Open Forum for Board of Trustees

V. Adjournment

*Trustee Sargeant moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Hitchcock seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:04 am.*