



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
*University Research Committee*

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MEETING MINUTES

Approved 6.20.24

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

1:15 p.m.

Augustus B. Turnbull Conference Center, Room 208  
555 W Pensacola St, Tallahassee, FL 32306

**In person attendees:** Trustee Jack Hitchcock (committee), Trustee Justin Roth (committee), BOT Vice-Chair Bob Sasser (committee), BOT Chair Peter Collins, Trustee Kathryn Ballard, Trustee Bridgett Birmingham, Trustee Vivian de las Cuevas-Diaz, Trustee Jim Henderson, Trustee Deborah Sargeant.

**Attended via Zoom:** Trustee John Thiel (committee); Trustee Maximo Alvarez.

**Committee Members Absent:** Trustee Jorge Gonzalez (Committee Chair)

**Staff:** Vice President for Research Stacey Patterson, President McCullough, and other university staff.

**I. Call to Order and Welcome**

*FSU Board of Trustees Chairman Peter Collins called the meeting to order at 1:17 pm and then handed the meeting over to Trustee Justin Roth who was filling in for Committee Chairman, Jorge Gonzalez.*

**II. Approval of Minutes**

*The November 10, 2023 Minutes were approved unanimously.*

**III. Office of Research Updates – Vice President Stacey Patterson**

- *Dr. Patterson gave an update on the financial growth of research, including proposals and awards.*
- *Dr. Patterson also reported on a few new programs including an NSF program that FSU will be one of 18 in the country participating in as well as an NSF Engine.*
- *The negotiations with Triumph Gulf Coast are progressing and a term sheet is under review.*

- *FSU's presence in DC is increasing as requests this year will be much larger and all align with the strategic plans that FSU is striving to achieve.*
- *Dr. Patterson presented the ASPIRE strategic plan and gave an overview of how the plan was formulated.*

**IV. Open Forum for Trustees**

**V. Adjournment**

*Trustee Roth adjourned the meeting at 2:08 pm.*