

**Committee on Educational Policy & Strategy Minutes**  
**University of Florida Board of Trustees**  
**March 30, 2006**  
**9:30 – 10:30 a.m.**  
**215B President's Ballroom – Emerson Alumni Hall**

Committee Members Present: Carlos Alfonso, Chair; Joe Goldberg, Cynthia O'Connell and Kim Tanzer

Others Present: Janie Fouke, Patricia Telles-Irvin, and John Boyles

Committee Chair Carlos Alfonso called the meeting to order at 2:50 p.m.

Minutes

Trustee Alfonso asked for a motion to approve the November 18, 2005 and December 2, 2005 minutes. Trustee O'Connell made the motion, Trustee Tanzer seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Tenure Upon Hire

Trustee Alfonso stated that there were 7 cases for tenure upon hire for the committee to review – Kirk Conrad, Arshag Mooradian, Keith Muller, Leonard Riskin, David Sammons, Natalia Trayanova, and Johannes Vieweg. The committee had no questions. Trustee Goldberg motioned to approve the 7 tenure upon hire cases, Trustee Tanzer seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

New Degree Programs

Trustee Alfonso informed the committee that they have three new degree programs to approve.

1) B.A. option to existing B.S. in Astronomy

Trustee O'Connell motioned to approve the B.A. in Astronomy degree, Trustee Tanzer seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

2) M.S. with a major in International Business (new major designation)

Trustee O'Connell motioned to approve the M.S. with a major in International Business, Trustee Tanzer seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

3) Trustee Alfonso informed the committee that the Ph.D. in Genetics was removed from the agenda and will be presented at the June meeting.

Proposed University of Florida Regulations

1) 6C1-5.076 College of Medicine Policies and Procedures for Discipline, Grievances, Nonrenewal, Suspension or Dismissal of a Resident (Repeal – its provisions will be incorporated in the annual resident physician contract)

Trustee Tanzer motioned to approve the repeal of Regulation 6C1-5.076, Trustee Goldberg seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

## 2) 6C1-5.0761 College of Medicine Resident Policies

Trustee Tanzer motioned to approve the changes to Regulation 6C1-5.0761, Trustee Goldberg seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

### Naming of Department of Biomedical Engineering

Trustee Alfonso asked for a motion to approve the name of the Department of Biomedical Engineering to “The J. Crayton Pruitt Family Department of Biomedical Engineering.” Trustee Tanzer motioned to approve the naming, Trustee O’Connell seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

### Honorary Degree

Trustee Alfonso asked for a motion to approve the honorary degree to Dr. J. Crayton Pruitt pending confirmation of exact degree to be awarded. Trustee Tanzer motioned to approve the honorary degree, Trustee Goldberg seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Note: prior to the full Board of Trustees meeting on March 31<sup>st</sup>, the exact degree was confirmed to be a Ph.D.

### Housing Rental Rates

Trustee Goldberg commented that the student body was in full support of the increases.

The proposed rates for 2006-2007 are a 3% increase for the village communities and a 4.5% increase for the single student housing. The full proposed increase can be found in the Board of Trustee materials. Trustee O’Connell motioned to approve the increases, Trustee Tanzer seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

### Discussion Items:

#### Fundamentals of Engineering Exam

The committee discussed accepting the Fundamentals of Engineering exam in lieu of GRE scores for those applying for the non-thesis Masters of Science and Masters of Engineering degree programs.

The committee discussed the precedence being set by allowing the Fundamentals of Engineering exam for GRE scores and determined it was a good idea for the university.

#### Admissions Update

UF has received about 24,000 applicants for 6,500 openings, which means about 18,000 denials. Everything indicates that admissions is on-track for fall incoming freshmen, however, the yield may increase due to the basketball team’s success.

Trustee Alfonso requested at a future meeting that a presentation from Admissions be given on how UF accepts students (i.e. explanation of the criteria used for the admissions process) because the information needs to be conveyed.

#### NCAA Certification Process Update

Dr. Telles-Irvin briefly explained the timeline for the re-certification process.

The meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.