



**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY AND STRATEGIC INITIATIVES
COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Meeting/Telephone Conference Call Meeting

March 20, 2018

Time Convened: 3:04 p.m. EDT

Time Adjourned: 3:30 p.m. EDT

123 Tigert Hall, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Call to Order and Welcome

Committee Chair Jason Rosenberg welcomed everyone in attendance including new Trustees Daniel O'Keefe and Thomas Kuntz and called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. He noted that this meeting was an informational meeting to prepare for the March 22, 2018 regular meeting, and no action was planned or taken at this preparatory meeting.

Members present were:

Jason J. Rosenberg (Chair), David L. Brandon, James W. Heavener, Mori Hosseini, Leonard H. Johnson, Thomas G. Kuntz, Daniel T. O'Keefe, Rahul Patel, Marsha D. Powers, David M. Quillen, Robert G. Stern, Anita G. Zucker

Others present were:

President W. Kent Fuchs, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs Joseph Glover, Senior Vice President for Agriculture and Natural Resources Jack Payne, Vice President for Enrollment Management Zina Evans, Vice President for Student Affairs David Parrott, Vice President and Chief Information Officer Elias Eldayrie, Interim Vice President and General Counsel Amy Hass, Associate Provost Angel Kwolek-Folland, Senior Director of Government Relations and Assistant University Secretary Melissa Orth, Executive Assistant Brigit Dermott, and other members of the University community and the media.

Action Items

Committee Chair Rosenberg asked Provost Joseph Glover to present the Action Items that will be addressed at the March 22, 2018 meeting.

EP1. Tenure Upon Hire

Provost Joe Glover stated that there are four highly accomplished faculty members who have been hired by the University subject to their being awarded tenure upon hire by the University

of Florida Board of Trustees. All have been recommended for tenure by the Provost. For those individuals hired with faculty and administrative appointments, tenure attaches only to the faculty appointment.

The individuals recommended for tenure upon hire were as follows:

**1. Mr. Jeffrey A. Carney – College of Design, Construction and Planning
Associate Professor, School of Architecture**

Dr. Jeffrey Carney earned his Master's Degree in Architecture from the University of California, Berkeley in 2007, his Master's Degree in City and Regional Planning from the University of California, Berkeley in 2007 and his B.A. with a major in Architecture and a minor in Fine Arts from Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri in 1998. His prior institution is Louisiana State University. Mr. Carney has an active research program and has secured external grants in excess of \$8 million in support of his work. His research interests cover the fields of coastal resilience, coastal design, sustainability, sea level rise and climate change adaptation.

**2. Mr. David W. Hulse – College of Design, Construction and Planning
Director and Professor, Department of Landscape Architecture**

Dr. David Hulse earned his M.L.A. from the Harvard University Graduate School of Design in 1984 and his B.S.L.A. from Colorado State University, College of Forestry and Natural Resources in 1981. His prior institution is the University of Oregon. Mr. Hulse's research spans the fields of land use and conservation, watershed development planning, scenario planning, river basin planning, biodiversity, and climate change. He maintains a very active research program and has secured numerous external grants to support his work in excess of \$5 million.

**3. Dr. Julie M. Moore – College of Veterinary Medicine
Chair and Professor, Department of Infectious Diseases and Immunology**

Dr. Julie Moore earned her Ph.D. with a concentration in Immunology, Molecular Biology and Biochemistry from the University of Connecticut Health Center in 1995 and her B.S. in Biology and Physics from St. Lawrence University in 1987. Her prior institution is the University of Georgia. Dr. Moore has compiled a remarkable record of research, teaching and diagnostic service. She is highly respected locally, nationally and internationally for her research immunologist who decided to focus on the real world problem of placental malaria.

**4. Dr. Daohong Zhou – College of Pharmacy
Professor, Department of Medicinal Chemistry**

Dr. Daohong Zhou earned his M.D. in Medicine from Yunyang Medical College in 1982 and his M.S. in Microbiology and Immunology from Henan Medical University in 1986. His prior institution is the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. Dr. Zhou has an incredibly strong record of research funding, including three current grants from NIH's National Cancer Institute as Principal Investigator. He has an exceptional scientific record with over 100 original publications with many published in the very best scientific journals in the world. Dr. Zhou's prominence is not only evidenced by his funding and publication but also by his list of invited lectures and service on NIH student sections.

EP2. Honorary Degrees

Provost Joe Glover indicated that there are two Honorary Degree candidates that are being presented to the Trustees. William Foege is being recommended for an Honorary Doctor of Science degree and Herbert Wertheim is being recommended for an Honorary Doctor of Technology degree.

EP3. Degree Program Terminations

Provost Joe Glover presented the degree program terminations. The College of Health and Human Performance is requesting the Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training be terminated due to the low number of students enrolled in the degree. The College of Nursing is requesting to terminate the Master of Science in Nursing as it is no longer considered the terminal degree. Due to the creation of the Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Languages and Literatures, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences is requesting that the individual language degree programs be terminated as they are no longer needed.

EP4. Degree Program Changes

Provost Joe Glover presented the degree program changes. The College of the Arts is decreasing the number of required credits to complete the Masters in Digital Arts and Sciences from 36 to 30 to make the degree more affordable and allow the students to finish the degree in a shorter period of time. The Warrington College of Business is adding an additional prerequisite, managerial accounting, which transfer students should take before they apply for admission to Accounting program.

EP5. New Degree: Master of Fine Arts

Provost Glover indicated that the College of the Arts is requesting to add a new degree – the Master of Fine Arts in Design and Visual Communications. Maria Rogal, Professor of Graphic Design presented the new degree. She indicated that this new degree is being branded “Make Florida Better Through Design” to move beyond logos and brands. It will lead the way in the field to work on complex designs and reach other disciplines and work with them. She indicated there is a gap in this area in the state and that it is the only program of its kind. There is 100% job placement and that the job market is strong for this type of designer.

EP6 and R18-193. Facility Security Clearance

Provost Joe Glover explained that the Department of Defense requires the Board to appoint a management committee to have access to classified information necessary in certain contracts and research, and to adopt a resolution that Trustees will not require such access, listing all Trustees, if the Trustees do not want to be required to obtain individuals security clearances.

EP7. University of Florida Regulations

Interim Vice President and General Counsel Amy Hass presented the proposed regulation change to the parking regulation. The non-student decal rates will be increasing by an average of 7%. Orange and blue decals will increase by \$24 a year. The regulation on Eligibility for Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program is being repealed because those guidelines are provided,

implemented and regulated by the federal government and a separate regulation is not necessary.

EP8. UF/IFAS Industrial Hemp Pilot Project

Senior Vice President Jack Payne noted that the University has been approved to conduct a research pilot project on growing and selling industrial hemp, but the Board must approve the project plan. He noted that hemp has a long history of being produced and must contain less than 0.3% THC, the psychoactive chemical found in marijuana. He further noted that the oil that can be produced by the plant has medicinal properties. Dr. Rob Gilbert, Chair of the Agronomy Department and the Principal Investigator on the Project, presented the parameters of the pilot project, including controls and permit requirements.

Discussion/Informational Items

Provost Glover noted that the first six discussion items will be addressed at the meeting on March 22. Discussion items 5.6 and 5.7 address changes to the names of departments, new centers and name changes of centers and institutes. Provost Glover went through the changes and addressed any questions.

New Business

There was no new business to come before the Committee.

Adjourn

After asking for further discussion and hearing none, Committee Chair Rosenberg thanked everyone for participating on the preparatory call. The Committee on Educational Policy and Strategic Initiatives call/meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.