Finance and Facilities Committee Minutes <u>December 10, 2009</u>

The meeting was called to order by Chair Steve Scott. Trustees Joelen Merkel, Diana Morgan, Courtney Cunningham and Jack Mecholsky were in attendance.

The minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting of September 10, 2009 were approved. The committee asked that minutes from the conference call pre-meetings also be included in the committee materials in the future.

Action items were presented to the committee:

The final 2010-11 fixed capital outlay legislative budget request was presented to the committee. The only change to the legislative budget request from September was to move PECO project priority #16 UF Research and Academic Center at Lake Nona up to priority #2. The final budget request was approved as presented.

The committee was provided with a request to approve construction of a one story 14,000 square foot Data Center Annex. The facility will be constructed as an annex to the East Campus Office Building which is presently under construction. The request to construct the East Campus Data Center Annex was approved as presented.

Agenda discussion items were then brought before the committee.

The University financial report as of September 30, 2009 was presented to the committee. Assistant Vice President McKee answered questions regarding the September 30 balances reported for Deposits Held in Custody, Nongovernmental Grants and Contracts and the Scholarships, Fellowship and Waivers accounts.

A construction update was provided to the committee. Several projects have been completed in the past quarter including the Biomedical Sciences Building and the Pathogen Research Facility. Five additional university facilities have been awarded LEED certifications. Trustee Cunningham commended Vice President Poppell and Assistant Vice President Walker for helping the university set such high standards of sustainable construction. The committee was informed that the Educational Policy and Strategy Committee would be asked to approve the Tobacco Free Campus policy at their meeting later today. The committee had no questions regarding the policy.

Mike Smith, Director of UFICO, reported on the results of UFICO investment activity. Shands Teaching Hospital has placed \$130 million with UFICO for investment and UFICO is preparing to market and accept investments from outside entities such as other colleges and universities within the state.

Marcus Brinson, an officer of the University of Florida Police Department, and his wife Deborah, also a university employee, were both recognized by the committee. Last month Officer Brinson and his wife prepared a Thanksgiving dinner for the student residents of Murphree Hall who were unable to go home for the holiday. The students of the residence hall raised some funding for the dinner, and Marcus and Deborah paid for the rest of the costs of the dinner. In doing so they provided the students not only a dinner, but also a warm family atmosphere on a holiday when these students could not go home.

Officer Brinson has been a school resource office at the P.K. Yonge Laboratory School, and a member of the University Police Department's Student Community Oriented Police Effort (SCOPE). He is also a recipient of the Medal of Valor for helping to stop a car jacking while he was off duty.

The committee members thanked Officer Brinson for his many efforts to assist students, the university and our community.

With no further business to conduct the committee meeting was adjourned.