



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

Meeting/Telephone Conference Call Meeting

June 5, 2018

123 Tigert Hall, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Time Convened: 3:01 p.m. EDT

Time Adjourned: 3:58 p.m. EDT

Call to Order and Welcome

Committee Chair Jason Rosenberg welcomed everyone in and called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. He noted that this meeting was an informational meeting to prepare for the June 7, 2018 regular meeting, and no action was planned or taken at this preparatory meeting.

Members present were:

Jason J. Rosenberg (Chair), David L. Brandon, Ian M. Green, James W. Heavener, Mori Hosseini, Leonard H. Johnson, Thomas G. Kuntz, Daniel T. O’Keefe, Rahul Patel, Marsha D. Powers, Robert G. Stern, Anita G. Zucker. Trustee Katherine Vogel Anderson was not able to join the call.

Others present were:

President W. Kent Fuchs, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs Joseph Glover, Vice President for Enrollment Management Zina Evans, Vice President for Student Affairs David Parrott, Vice President and General Counsel Amy Hass, Vice President for Research David Norton, Vice President and Chief Information Officer Elias Eldayrie, Associate Provost Angel Kwolek-Folland, Assistant Provost Cheryl Gater, 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 would be addressed at the June 7, 2018 meeting.

EP1. Annual Tenure Awards

Provost Glover explained that annual tenure awards are for faculty who have gone through the complete tenure process, who have been reviewed by the Department, College Dean, Academic Personnel Board, and who have been recommended for the award of tenure by the Provost.

EP2. Tenure Upon Hire

Provost Joe Glover stated that there are eight 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. Provost Glover drew the Committee's attention to candidate Dr. Onye Ozuzu, who is the incoming Dean of the College of the Arts.

EP3. University of Florida Annual Accountability Plan 2018

Provost Glover indicated that the Board of Governors is requiring the universities to submit an annual Accountability Plan, which combines both the annual Accountability Report and the annual University Work Plan report that have been required in the past. The new report provides both actual historical data and prospective goals. Provost Glover highlighted the Performance Based Metrics in the Accountability Plan.

EP4. New Degree

Provost Glover indicated that a Bachelor of Arts in Hispanic and Latin American Languages, Literatures and Linguistics in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences is being proposed to reflect more accurately the nature of the departmental offerings and to better appeal to the changing interests and needs of the students. This Bachelor of Arts degree is replacing two current majors. Three different tracks are being proposed within this major: Spanish, Portuguese and a combined Spanish and Portuguese track. Provost Glover indicated that it would reduce confusion and paperwork.

EP5. Honorary Degrees

Provost Joe Glover indicated that there is one Honorary Degree candidate being presented to the Trustees. Stephen Stills is being recommended for an Honorary Doctor of Musical Arts.

EP6. University of Florida Regulations

Vice President and General Counsel Amy Hass explained the following amendments to the University of Florida Regulations:

3.0372 – Student Health, Athletic, Activity and Service and Transportation Access Fees is being amended to update the fees for students in the UF Levin College of Law to reflect the change from per-student-credit-hour to block tuition.

3.0375 – Tuition Cost. The proposed regulation amendment updates the regulation to reflect the current tuition set by the legislature for the 2018-19 school year as follows: There is an increase in the repeat surcharge from \$181.12 to \$190.84, as set by the BOG. In addition the regulation has been updated to reflect the block tuition rate adopted by the Levin College of Law for the incoming fall 2018 class pursuant to BOG regulation 7.001(11) and approved by the UF Board of Trustees on August 29, 2017. The annual block tuition rates approximate the current tuition rates for two 15-credit semesters for JD students and two 13-credit semesters for LLM students. Students admitted prior to fall 2018 will continue to pay tuition at per student credit hour rates.

4.010 Employer Registrations. The proposed changes to Regulation 4.010 clarify the services offered by the Career Connections Center and reflect the Center's name change, previously the Career Resource Center.

4.040 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code. The proposed Regulation 4.040 substantially revises the existing Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code by (a) consolidating 16 separate regulations (Regulations 4.040-4.0433 and 4.0435-4.051, which will be repealed) into single Regulation 4.040, (b) updating terms and language in compliance with the Florida Board of Governors Regulations, state and federal law and Office of Civil Rights guidance, (c) clarifying and revising the content to align more closely with the University's philosophy on student discipline, which is to provide a fair and educational process. Trustee Rosenberg expressed concern that students who are found guilty will need to declare this on applications for the rest of their lives and should be made aware of this consequence. Dr. Parrott indicated that Student Affairs will include a statement regarding this on their intake documents when they meet with students. Vice President Parrott also noted that before students graduate they can request that their records be expunged. However, not all cases can be expunged.

4.0434 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Law School Honor System will become 4.041 Law School Honor System.

EP7 and R18-204. Facility Security Clearance

Vice President Norton 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 individual security clearances.

Discussion/Informational Items

Provost Glover noted the discussion items will be addressed at the meeting on June 7, 2018.

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 3:58 p.m.