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**CAMPUS BOARD MEETING**  
October 20, 2015 ~ 9am  
USC Ballroom 3  
**Draft Minutes**

### **Welcome/Call to Order**

Campus Board Chair Debbie Sembler called the meeting to order at 9:25am. Board Members in attendance were Bob Churuti, John Connelly, Roy Binger, USFSP Regional Chancellor Sophia Wisniewska and USF System President Judy Genshaft.

### **USF System Report**

Judy Genshaft reported that as of the first week of the semester the system had an overall enrollment of 48,793 students. The new KTCOB building is progressing well, as is the beginning of the new Morsani College of Medicine building. USF garnered more PECO funds than any other public university in the state of Florida. The replacement of the FIO small research vessel, called the Bellows, was unfortunately vetoed by the legislators. In a grass-roots effort to raise funds, Judy Genshaft called every university that used the Bellows in the last five years. Thanks to the generosity of these universities, the USF System and Mayor Kriseman's contribution from BP Oil funds, \$3 million has been raised out of the \$6 million needed for a new vessel.

In addition, Judy Genshaft announced that the approval for the on campus Publix store and dining location is expected at the November 2015 Board of Governors Meeting. The approval of this project will be a model for future projects across the system. This project will be the first grocery store on a University campus in the nation.

### **USF St. Petersburg Update**

Sophia Wisniewska welcomed guests and Board Members. The USF St. Petersburg 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary continues, led by Melissa Seixas and Mark Walters. USFSP has had a strong academic start to the 15/16 school year. According to *U.S. News & World Report* USF St. Petersburg is ranked at 23 among the nation's Southern Regional Public universities; highest ranking ever for USFSP. Additionally, based on these rankings, the online magazine, *Business Insider*, lists USF St. Petersburg among its Top 105 Smartest Schools in the country.

Freshman applications have increased 30% from the previous year. And, the class of 2019 is strong with an average GPA of 3.79, SAT is 1135 and ACT is 26. Student demographics have increased by double digits for FTIC minority freshman and freshman retention rates have increased 5-10%. The average starting salary of graduates is \$30,500 annually, which contributes to overall review of the institution.

The updated master plan (created with the planning consultants GouldEvans) will be USF St. Petersburg's guide as growth continues. The new KTCOB building continues and the renovated student life center reopened.

The faculty continues to impress with the National Institute of Health awarding Jamie McHale and his team \$2.9 million. Mark Durand was awarded the 2015 Jacobson Award for Critical Thinking by the American Psychological Association. And, Tiffany Chenneville's work in Kenya has been beneficial in the field of HIV/Aids research and treatment with The Springs of Hope.

On September 12 the campus held the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary block party. Our community leaders were thanked and the co-naming of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street as University Way was presented.

The Pinellas County Delegation will be here for the opening of the Veterans Affairs office.

A team of assessors will be on campus examining the Police force for USFSP's first ever, police force accreditation.

John and Kathy Arthur were recognized for their genome discovery in Africa.

### **USF St. Petersburg Student Government Update**

Jozef Gherman reported that voting for Student Government mid-term elections will begin. USFSP Administration is working with Student Government to make the Safe Team a reality, thereby creating a safer environment for students. Homecoming was a success and the student turnout was higher than expected. For the first time students had the opportunity to vote for Homecoming King and Queen. Lastly, the card board boat race was a huge success.

### **Board of Trustees Workgroup and Trustee Updates**

Roy Binger: Finance & Audit – The meetings held on September 8 and October 6 discussed the state support of the \$21 million that was allocated, as President Genshaft previously mentioned. The IBM model, considered the next wave of customer centric operations, combines technology and emotional intelligence, and is being piloted at USF Health.

Bob Churuti: Health – The health care meeting offered a tour of the surgical center and the pharmacy. The report on the nursing program proved that it is competitive among students entering and there is a high level of esteem to those who have entered the program.

John Connelly: Research and Innovation – The August meeting was canceled and there was nothing new to report.

Debbie Sembler: ACE – The annual Equity Report showed that there was a large increase in students in many categories. The USF system came in second for the Performance Based Funding report. The team is working on ways to improve on the BOG Metrix. And, the accounting program team grant is working with many other top level Universities.

Debbie Sembler: Board of Trustees – Provost Ralph Wilcox presented on the USF System Enrollment and Student Profile and the updated 2015 – 2016 USF System Factbook. Provost Wilcox reflected on the 2000 – 2015 USF Strategic Performance, which included a look back acknowledging the following: enhancements to the USF Tampa, USFSP, and USFSM campuses; the rise in the national and global rankings; the advancements in the enrollment profile and degrees awarded; the growth in research expenditures; the increase in the number of national academy members; and the significant acclaim of USF being ranked as one of the top 15 universities worldwide for U.S. patents. There was recognition of the leadership provided by President Genshaft and the guidance of the Board of Trustees through this period.

Sophia Wisniewska and Sandra Stone presented at the meeting as well as Judy Genshaft.

The Trustees authorized the Publix campus initiative.

## **Action items:**

**8.1 Approval of the July 16, 2015 Meeting Minutes** – Upon motion by Board Member John Connelly and seconded by Roy Binger, the USFSP Campus Board voted unanimously to approve the July 16, 2015 meeting minutes.

**8.2 Approval of 2015-25 Master Plan** - Joe Trubacz presented the updated master plan that included a space utilization study. The freshman housing continues to be a vital issue for the future of the campus. The study concluded that classroom space is adequate until 2025, including the space allocated in the new KTCOB building. It was noted that additional space for research labs are needed. The locations for new housing and student spaces were presented to the group and the chiller plant would need to be expanded, as well as a second one added for growth. The current bed count is 550 and 74 students are living in the Hilton hotel. Judy Genshaft requested that a housing demand study be conducted once the P3 requirements are approved.

The master plan was unanimously approved.

**8.3 Approval of 2015-16 Operating and Capital Budget** - Joe Trubacz congratulated Helen Levine and her team for the work with the legislators. The funds for renovations and repairs were approved for \$330,000. The total budget includes facilities and tech fees, which has grown \$1.3 million.

The operating and capital budgets were unanimously approved.

## **Information Items:**

### **9.1 USFSP 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Update**

Melissa Seixas announced that the September 12 block party was a success. Congressman Jolly was in attendance helping to unveil the co-naming of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and University Way.

In celebration of USFSP's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary a Proclamation video, including Congressman Jolly, was played for the audience. Mark Walters announced the goals of increasing engagement and identity within the community. The website was presented to stay connected with upcoming events.

Sophia Wisniewska was presented with the 50<sup>th</sup> commemorative painting.

### **9.2 Recognition of Debbie Sembler's Campus Board Service**

Judy Genshaft recognized Debbie Sembler's service for 10 years on the USFSP Campus Board and the community, followed by many other esteemed colleagues and friends.

Judy Genshaft announced the unanimous approval of the USF Board of Trustees renaming the student success center as the "Debbie Nye Sembler Student Success Center." Stephanie Goforth read the resolution to the audience. And, Debbie Sembler shared her gratitude for her time as chair and adjourned the meeting.

## **Adjournment**