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CAMPUS BOARD MEETING
January 28, 2016 ~ 9am
USC Ballroom 3
Draft Minutes

Welcome/Call to Order

Campus Board Chair Stephanie Goforth called the meeting to order at 9:05am. Board Members in attendance were Bob Churuti, Roy Binger, Judy Mitchell, USFSP Regional Chancellor Sophia Wisniewska and USF System President Judy Genshaft.

USF System Report

Judy Genshaft welcomed Stephanie Goforth as Campus Board Chair and thanked Debbie Sembler for her service. She updated Board Members on initiatives and projects throughout the USFS System.

USF St. Petersburg Update

Sophia Wisniewska welcomed guests and Board Members. The passing of Dr. John McFarland Hamilton – father-in-law to Bob Churuti was recognized.

A group traveled to Tallahassee for the Florida Board of Governors meeting. Following Stephanie Goforth's reappointment to the USF System Board of Trustees, Chair Hal Mullis appointed Stephanie as Chair of the USFSP Campus Board.

USFSP's Online MBA Program is now ranked #15 in the nation by *U.S News & World Report*. The rise in rankings puts USFSP in 2nd place in Florida, behind the University of Florida.

At the December Commencement Ceremony we graduated 478 students, including the youngest and oldest graduates in the USF System – 19 and 73. Beginning in May we will hold two commencement ceremonies to accommodate the growing number of graduates and families.

Next week, 23 students will visit New Hampshire with Professor Judithanne Scourfield-McLauchlan to participate in the Democratic and Republican Presidential Campaigns. This class is attracting strong media attention from Channels 8, 9 and 10.

On February 12, Sir Ken Robinson will be the keynote speaker for the first-ever Bay to Bay Distance Learning Symposium.

St. Pete's new Innovation District will team up with Marketing Professor Phil Trocchia and his students from the MBA Marketing Strategy class to work on marketing the District.

USF St. Petersburg Student Faculty Senate Update

Dan Marlin reported that the Senate meets monthly and has met 5 times this academic year. The September meeting consisted of filling open positions on committees, updates on Strategic Planning, Tenure & Promotion (T & P) guideline's revision, and the distribution of the Faculty Senate Survey of Administrators. During the October meeting, the Senate Distance Learning Committee was formed and finalized. Also, the Fall 2015 Outstanding Graduate Award for USFSP was voted on. Kathleen Moore discussed SACS 5th year report generation in the November meeting. Jessica Blais and Amy Harcar discussed TWG Plus's visit on branding and identity for USFSP. The December meeting involved voting on revised T & P guidelines as well as discussion on the revision of Emeritus Guidelines and Self-Authored Textbook Policy. The January meeting was postponed and all items were tabled.

USF St. Petersburg Student Government Update

Jozef Gherman reported the goals for the upcoming semester. USF St. Pete Day at City Hall is in the planning stages. Lastly, General Elections are occurring this semester and Jozef Gherman has decided not to seek reelection.

Board of Trustees Workgroup and Trustee Updates

Roy Binger: Finance & Audit – The draft FY 2015 financial statements were reviewed. The system experienced a slight operating loss of \$.5 Million. The USF/DSO external audit findings have continued with a total of 18 audits of which 9 have been received and 9 to follow by the end of 2015. The Annual Foundation Investment report was presented. The Endowment Pool posted a return of 4.2% for the fiscal year which was ahead of its benchmark of 2.3%. Provost Wilcox presented on INTO USF and the program continues to grow.

Bob Churuti: Health – At the November 2015 Health Workgroup meeting, there was a general report on the Morsani College of Medicine's downtown initiative. There is good momentum on the project and it is the #1 legislative priority. Other information included a dashboard presentation on USF Health metrics and an update on the progress of USF Practice Group.

V. Mark Durand on behalf of John Connelly: Research and Innovation – USFSM provided an update on research conducted at USF Sarasota-Manatee which included two faculty members and one student discussing their research. USF Research had a record breaking 2015 year with over \$440 million in funded contracts and grants. Dr. Sanberg presented an update regarding the Huron recommendations that have been implemented, including the formation of three collaborative groups to support Research & Innovation, namely the Research Advisory Committee, the Research Strategic Plan Committee, and the Transition Team Workgroup. Lastly, recent faculty honors and awards were announced including Dr. Gary Mormino receiving the Florida Lifetime Achievement Award for Writing from the Florida Humanities Council. Dr. Sanberg introduced the newest faculty member of the Institute for Advanced Discovery & Innovation, William Cavanaugh, III. Dr. Sanberg also announced that seven inventors were inducted to the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame at the Second Annual Induction Ceremony & Gala, held October 2, 2015.

Judy Mitchell: Academics and Campus Environment (ACE) –A PhD in Linguistics and Applied Language Studies, a new USF Tampa program, was approved. Discontinuations of non performing programs were discussed. Sophia Wisniewska presented the USFSP Master Plan in alignment with the USFSP Strategic Plan. The plan, along with those from USFSM and USF Tampa, was approved unanimously. A Non-Smoking Policy that will restrict smoking and tobacco use on the USF Tampa campus, joining USF Health, USF St. Petersburg, and USF Sarasota-Manatee who have already transitioned to smoke and tobacco free environments, will go into effect on January 1, 2016. Mark Walsh provided an update to the Workgroup on issues anticipated to be considered by the Florida Legislature in the upcoming regular Legislative Session.

Stephanie Goforth: Board of Trustees (BOT) - Trustees met on December 3 and in a special meeting on January 15. In addition to the items already discussed by campus board members, the President's 2014-2015 evaluation was approved as was the BOT Choice Metric for Performance Based Funding, which was vetted through the ACE workgroup with a

great presentation by Terry Chisolm, Vice Provost for Strategic Planning. The Trustees voted to modify the performance based funding metric on post-doctoral appointments to bring it into alignment with preeminence benchmarks. The Trustees met in a special meeting on January 15 to approve Publix as an on-campus grocery store. The Board of Governors approved the project at their January 21, 2016 meeting.

Action items:

8.1 October 20, 2015 meeting minutes approved unanimously.

Information Items:

9.1 Faculty Presentation - John and Kathy Arthur presented their findings on the genome discovery in Africa.

9.2 Facilities Update – Joe Trubacz briefed the board on current and upcoming projects, most of which are associated with the Master Plan and Utilization Study (approved by the Board of Trustees on December 3, 2015).

Adjournment

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