

USF Board of Trustees Governance Committee

Tuesday August 25, 2020
Microsoft Teams Meeting

Call to Order and Comments

The meeting was called to order by Chair Stephanie Goforth at 11:17 am. She asked Dr. Cindy Visot to call roll with the following members present: Stephanie Goforth, Chair; Sandra Callahan, Les Muma, John Ramil, Nancy Watkins, Jordan Zimmerman.

Dr. Visot stated that there were no requests for public comments.

New Business ó Action Items

a. FL 101 ó Approval of May 14, 2020 Minutes

Chair Goforth asked if there were any changes to the minutes, there were none. Trustee Muma moved for approval with a second from Trustee Callahan. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

b. FL 102 ó Current and Future 2020-2021 Goals

Chair Goforth explained the current and future 2020-2021 goals to the Board and Board Chair. She noted that she and Board Chair Zimmerman had reviewed these goals with the President beforehand. It is then presented to the Governance Committee, and if approved, will be presented to the full board. She also noted that the board would like to see these accomplished but it is important to consider the current

- Staff Success
- Student Success
- ◁ Strategic Initiatives
 - USF
 - Strategic Partnerships

President Currall concluded his presentation by asking for the thoughts and feedback of the trustees.

Trustee Les Muma commented he was pleased with the goals, but suggested that there needs to be a way to track each one so that they are measurable. He recommended including a note about metrics that can be used to measure every goal so that it can be looked back upon without any gray area.

Trustee Nancy Watkins agreed and asked that the President describe what defines success.

President Currall stated that he tried to make them easily s goals that could be counted or indicated.

Trustee Watkins commented that the indicators should have been included in the presentation.

c. FL 103 ó Approval of USF Institute of Applied Engineering (IAE) Board of Directors

Chair Goforth called on Dean Bob Bishop to present the item. He shared that the IAE has an agreement with Hillsborough County, and the agreement provides up to \$5.3 million to assist with funding. The agreement also requires that the county administrator (or his or her designee) to serve as a member of the IAE Board of Directors. The previous administrator retired in June 2020, and the current administrator, Bonnie Wice nominated Ronald Barton for a three-year appointment. Dean Bishop stated that he is the architect of the grant agreement so he is very familiar with the IAE.

Trustee Watkins moved to approve the appointment with a 2nd from Trustee Ramil. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

d. FL 104 - Approval of Foundation Board of Directors

Chair Goforth called on Jay Stroman to present the item to the Board.

Mr. Stroman presented five members for reappointment to the Foundation Board of Directors. He then presented seven new members that were selected through a rigorous process through their nominations committee.

Trustee Muma moved to approve the reappointed members and new members, seconded by Trustee Watkins. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

e. FL 105 ó Approval of Research Foundation Board of Directors

Chair Goforth called on Dr. Paul Sanberg to present the item.

Dr. Sanberg presented one reappointment and two new members.

Trustee Watkins moved to approve the reappointed member and new members, seconded by Trustee Muma. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

f. FL 106 ó Approval of Sarasota-Manatee Campus Board Members

Trustee Goforth called on President Currall to present the item.

President Currall recommended the reappointment of Dr. Anila Jain to the Sarasota-Manatee Campus Board as well as the new appointments of Lisa Carlton, Diana Michel, and Ernie Withers.

Trustee Shinn commented that Lisa Carlton was instrumental to the facility funding at the Sarasota-
stated that they are all great picks for the campus board and encourages the other board members to get to know the new appointees.

Regional Chancellor Dr. Karen Holbrook gave her support for the appointees and stated that there was a lot of time spent making sure they knew the university.

President Currall stated that he had been thinking about a new onboarding process to help the new campus board members get adjusted and acquainted with the university. He stated that he will work with Dr.

Holbrook to do that and arrange time to spend with the new appointees. Trustee Goforth recommended that the St. Petersburg members be included as well.

Trustee Muma moved to approve the motion and it was seconded by Trustee Watkins. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

New Business ó Information Items

- a. **Board Self-Assessment Review**

Chair Goforth

members of the Board of Governors and legislature. He also requested Mark Walsh work with the President to create key talking points to get more legislative support.

Trustee Watkins noted the importance of being physically present at meetings in Tallahassee to create stronger relationships. She continued that not just the president being there, but trustees as well. The trustees discussed ways to bring legislators to campus when they can while also being mindful of

Trustee Goforth noted the retirement of Helen Levine from the St. Petersburg campus and thanked her for all that she has done for USF, leaving huge shoes to fill for the legislative team.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.