Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University Board of Trustees



Student Affairs Committee Minutes Trustee Torey Alston, Chair

Date: Wednesday, May 20, 2015 (Conference Call)

The Board of Trustees Student Affairs Committee meeting was convened by Trustee Torey Alston.

The first action item was a motion by Chairman Alston for the approval of the minutes from the March 4, 2015 meeting. The action was moved for approval by Trustee Shannon and seconded by Trustee Graham. The minutes were accepted as presented.

The second action item presented by Vice President Hudson was the Approval of amendments to Regulation 2.015. This Regulation is being revised to include that all applicants for undergraduate admission to the University (i.e., first time in college students; undergraduate transfer students; returning students) who fail to give complete and accurate responses or otherwise provide false, fraudulent or misleading information on their admissions application, residency affidavit or supporting documentation, may be subject to denial of admission or if already admitted, may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including expulsion, denial of further registration or invalidation of credits or degrees earned.

The University requested the Board of Trustees' approval of the amendment to Regulation 2.015 for notice and adoption after the expiration of the thirty (30) day notice period, provided there are no public comments, in accordance with the Florida Board of Governors' Regulation Development Procedure.

The action was moved for approval by Trustee Shannon and second by Trustee Graham. The motion carried.

Student Affairs informational items and updates were presented as follow:

Per Trustee Graham, there were no updates for the Student Government Association.

Vice President Hudson provided additional updates for the Division of Student Affairs which included:

Enrollment Management Update: As of May 15, 2015, we have received 4,558 applications compared to 3,517 and admitted 2,269 students compared to 1,840 last year. The application deadline for fall 2015 was May 15, 2015. Applications for fall admission will not be accepted unless there are extenuating circumstances. The average GPA is 3.47 and test scores 1453 SAT/ 21.2 ACT. The Access Opportunity Program has admitted 94 students for the summer program and continues reviewing applications. The maximum number of students to be admitted to the Access Opportunity program is 150.

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Financial Aid Update:

To Date: Total Disbursements for 2014-2015 **\$132 million.** The supporting documents submitted to the BOT lists the amounts for grants, loans, work study. Dr. Hudson also covered the number of students with Satisfactory Academic Progress and the award packaging comparison to the previous year. Trustee Grable requested information concerning summer financial aid disbursement. V.P. Hudson provided the requested information via email to the committee.

LGBTQA (Lesbian Gay Bisexual, Questioning, Allies) Committee:

The committee has not met in several months, but has been engaged in the following activities:

- Safe Zone Training;
- Student Organization SPECTRUM: The student organization continues to be active. Two faculty/staff persons and 4 students attended Emerging Leaders Day at the White House on March 25, 2015;
- Held a second "Rainbow Roundtable," on March 18th. Students in attendance agreed to host "iMusical Showcase" on April 22;
- Two students in Political Science with a concentration in Public Administration are working to establish the LGBTQA Resource Center;
- One master's level student in Social Work will be working to facilitate Safe Zone trainings and developing recommendations and content for the university's web site that addresses information for current and prospective LGBTQA students, faculty and staff.

Anti-hazing/Ombudsman Report:

Bryan Smith, Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs, provided updates regarding anti-hazing and activities of the Ombudsman office. There were various questions and discussions regarding trends and types of organizations reporting incidents, reporting frequencies, and utilization of the online module compared to person-to-person reporting. Mr. Smith agreed to provide quarterly reporting to identify types of reported incidents to the Ombudsman and time lines for reporting of hazing incidents/investigations.

Dress Standards:

Vice President Hudson made a brief reference to the FAMU BOT's April, 2012 approval of Dress Standards for the University. Vice President Hudson iterated that this update was for informational purposes only for new/incoming BOT members. He further indicated that no reports of violations regarding the dress standards have been reported by faculty or staff to the Dean of Students Office.

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Athletics:

Updates for the FAMU Athletic Department were provided by Interim Athletic Director Dwayne Robinson, which included:

- Academics Had 23 student athletes graduate spring 2015 of which 3 have been accepted to the FAMU College of Law; expect 5 graduates for the summer term; and at the conclusion of the spring semester, over 40% of the student athletes had over a 3.0 GPA, which is an increase over the 30% last year.
- Competition Spring 2015
 - Won 3 MEAC Conference Championships
 - Women's Outdoor Track
 - Softball (2nd consecutive championship 11th overall)
 - 5th Coach of the Year Title
 - Coach Darlene Moore (Coach of the Year in Women's Track)
 - Women's Outstanding Performer in Indoor Track
 - Won 1st MEAC Baseball Championship since 1994
 - Currently have 31 new incoming athletes (freshmen & transfers) this fall

At the request of Trustee Shannon a breakdown of the areas of the new athletes will be forthcoming.

- Community Service
 - Nominated by the Tallahassee Democrat for Volunteer of the Year Award
 - Nominated by the Leon County Schools for the "Outstanding Partners for Excellence Award".

Submitted by:

Trustee Torey Alston, Chair