SUMMARY MINUTES
Florida A & M University
Board of Trustees
September 13, 2007

Trustees Present:
William Jennings, Chairman; R.B. Holmes, Vice Chairman; Solomon Badger, Robert Brown, Richard Dent; Pamela Duncan, Monique Gillum; Maurice Holder; Spurgeon McWilliam; Daryl Parks; and Karl White.

Trustees Absent: Laura Branker, Al Cardenas

The meeting of the Florida A & M University (FAMU) Board of Trustees was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Chairman Jennings. Chairman Jennings noted a change in the agenda and indicated that the board convened in closed session after the roll call. The roll call established a quorum. The agenda was adopted. The minutes of July 11, 2007, were presented. Trustee Holmes moved approval of the minutes. Trustee Holder seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Chairman Jennings recognized Legal counsel to go into closed session to discuss a labor relations issue with outside counsel. Trustee Duncan moved to convene in closed session and it was seconded by Trustee McWilliams. The motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION—See the minutes after the matter becomes public.

OPEN SESSION:
Chairman Jennings appreciated Dean Weatherspoon for hosting the board of Trustees. He expressed his gratitude for the cooperation between the law school staff and the staff from the main campus. Also, he thanked his colleagues and fellow Trustees for their full participation over the last two days and distributes orange and green candy inscribed with “FAMU.” He noted the discussion with President Ammons and the major goals and expectations mutually agreed upon by the board and the president. Trustee Parks moved adoption of the six (6) major expectations for 2007-08. See attached. Trustee Gillum seconded the motion and it carried.
Trustee Brown noted that Trustee Daryl Parks was unanimously elected to serve as the Vice Chair of the committee. The Committee reviewed the schedules of the 2006-07 annual audits for each of the DSOs, namely the National Alumni Association, the FAMU Boosters, and the FAMU Foundation. Although everyone had agreed to complete their audits by December 1, President Ammons requested that all DSOs have their annual audits completed at an earlier date, aligning the completion date with the University’s annual audit in October. The committee agreed to this request.

In another agreement, the Committee discussed to amend the University’s Internal Management Memorandum (IMM) in order to provide a more detailed agreement on the relationship between the University and its DSOs. It was agreed that the need existed to explore the requirement for separate support agreements between each of the DSOs to accommodate the differences in their University support function. A sub-committee of three (3) trustees (Trustees Duncan, McWilliams and Parks) with at least one representative from each DSO and the General Counsel, will assist in revising the IMM that will govern each DSO.

The Committee heard from Interim Vice President Ronald Joe regarding the invitation for FAMU to serve as the Tom Joyner Foundation “School of the Month” campaign. FAMU will serve as the initial school in the 10th anniversary year of the Foundation. All segments of the University and its supporters will engage in activities to raise funds to meet the University’s goal of $1.5 million. The Committee enthusiastically supported the initiative and pledged its support.

The Committee heard an update on the Florida Classic Consortium for fiscal year 2006-07. The presidents of the respective universities serve as co-chairs of the consortium in conjunction with the Citrus Bowl Sports Authority. Each school will retain $1,346,533 in revenue from the 2006 Florida Classic, an increase of over $400,000 for each institution. The committee discussed the enormous potential for using this event to generate even greater revenue for the receptive universities. Also, Dr. Alvin Bryant, President of the FAMU National Alumni Association, informed the committee that the NAA awarded $71,000 in scholarship. The committee thanked Dr. Bryant for the support from the NAA and encouraged them to continue its fundraising efforts.

Following the committee reports, several trustees revisited the status of the School of Nursing. Provost Barnes reported that the nine (9) complainants sought relief from the Nursing Comprehensive Examination (NCE). In May 2007 and one student reappeared the July meeting with the same issue. Since these students’ appearance, the School of Nursing has improved its strategy designed to increase student performance on the