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The Chair, Carolyn K. Roberts, convened the meeting of the Board of Governors in Smathers Library East, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, at 11:40 a.m., March 29, 2007, with the following members present: Sheila McDevitt, Vice Chair; Jorgé Arrizurieta; Commissioner Jeanine Blomberg; Dr. Arlen Chase; Ann Duncan; Frank Harrison; Dr. Stanley Marshall; Frank Martin; Lynn Pappas; Ava Parker; Tico Perez; Gus Stavros; John Temple and Dr. Zach Zachariah.

1. **Call to Order and Chair’s Report**

   Mrs. Roberts thanked President Machen and his staff for their warm hospitality. She reported that the Legislature had been in Session four weeks; she thanked the Presidents, the university lobbyists, the Chancellor and Board staff for their hard work in advocating the universities’ needs. She said that she had been advised that money was tight this year; the budget recommendations from both the House and the Senate reflected these limits. She said the governance legislation was moving through both houses of the Legislature. She said she still had some concerns with the legislation, but the Chancellor was working to address these concerns.

   Mrs. Roberts reported that two weeks earlier, the Board had received a Preliminary Audit on FAMU from the Auditor General, which had identified 35 adverse findings. She said she had been with President Bryant and the Chancellor at the meeting of the Joint Legislative Auditing Committee when the report was considered. Legislators expressed strong concerns about this report. She said in response, and with the concurrence of Dr. Bryant, Dr. Ammons and the FAMU Board Chair, Ms. Challis Lowe, she had named a Task Force on FAMU Finance and Operational Control Issues to prepare and implement a plan to restore financial and operational credibility to the university. She thanked Ms. Lynn Pappas who had agreed to lead the Task Force. She said she was confident the Task Force would determine the issues, correct problems, and put policies in place to assist the university be the university it should be as a great university within the State University System. She said FAMU had a distinguished record of accomplishment in higher education and deserved the commitment of this Board to work with its leadership to restore long-term financial and operational credibility.
Mrs. Roberts noted that the agenda for this meeting included the ratification of the selection of the next President of Florida A & M University, Dr. James Ammons. She welcomed Dr. Ammons.

Mrs. Roberts said she had appointed a Trustee Nominating Committee, to be chaired by Mr. Charlie Edwards, to review and recommend university trustees as vacancies occur. Other members of the Committee include: Jorgé Arrizurieta, John Dasburg, Sheila McDevitt, Ava Parker, Carolyn Roberts and Gus Stavros. She commented that the Board had previously approved the process for the selection and appointment of trustees. She reported that the Chancellor had notified the Chairs of the University Boards and the Presidents, of the University of North Florida and of Florida International University, each of which had a vacancy on its board. She said the Board sought two to five nominees for each vacancy. The Committee would review these nominees in a public meeting, and present nominees to the full Board for its consideration and approval.

Mrs. Roberts advised the Board that the next meeting would be held by telephone conference call on May 10, 2007. The Board meeting, scheduled on June 13-14, 2007, would be held at Florida International University, in Miami.

2. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of the Committee of the Whole held January 24, 2007; Minutes of the Meeting held January 25, 2007; and Minutes of the Meeting held February 27, 2007

Ms. McDevitt moved that the Board approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole held January 24, 2007; the Minutes of the meeting held January 25, 2007; and the Minutes of the meeting held February 27, 2007; as presented. Mr. Arrizurieta seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

3. Chancellor’s Report

Chancellor Rosenberg commended the staff for their hard work during Session. He thanked all for their attentiveness to the issues and the quickened pace for response. He said he detected a new tone in the Capitol. He thanked Board members, Presidents and Governmental Affairs representatives for conveying the SUS message. He expressed his appreciation for the support of Senator Lynn and Senator Oelrich, and of Representative Mealer and Representative Pickens. He noted that Senator King had expressed support for the technology fee and for the proposed governance legislation. He said the governance legislation seemed to be moving in the right direction.

Dr. Rosenberg said several universities were participating in postseason play. He congratulated Dr. Pegnetter on the success of FGCU’s women’s basketball team, and Dr. Wetherell on the FSU women’s basketball team making it to the “Sweet 16” of the NCAA Women’s Basketball Tournament. He noted that the FAMU men’s basketball
team had been invited to participate in the Men’s NCAA Basketball Tournament, and that the UF men’s basketball team had now advanced to the “Final Four.”

Dr. Rosenberg reported on a meeting with Mr. Nick Donofrio, Executive Vice President for Innovation and Technology, IBM, who had discussed with him the need for the SUS to produce more graduates in the STEM areas, i.e., science, technology, engineering and math. He said that upon the conclusion of the Legislative Session, he planned to meet with the Deans of the Colleges of Medicine to discuss the Board’s broader medical education objectives, beyond the expansion of the existing medical schools and the addition of new schools.

Finally, he expressed his appreciation to Mr. Frank Harrison and all the students who had voiced their support for a quality education through their support of the technology fee. He said this demonstrated their understanding that the issue was not just about low tuition, but about achieving a quality education.

4. Medical Education Progress Report

Dr. LeMon reminded the Board that the “Resolution with Regard to the Future of Medical Education in Florida,” adopted by the Board in March 2006, addressed issues beyond the approval of two new medical schools. He said he was pleased to note pending legislation in the U.S. Senate, drafted by Senator Nelson, which would result in the recalculation and increase of medical residencies in the U.S. and in Florida. He noted that an increase in residency slots in Florida would likely result in doctors staying in Florida to practice. He said the Florida Legislature was considering funding for the FAU medical education partnership with the University of Miami, funding for the FSU medical school and funding to restore the base-level funding for medical students at USF and at UF, and implementation funding for the new medical schools at UCF and at FIU. These funding requests were considerable, but the Legislature had committed to the Board that if it approved the new medical schools, the Legislature would fund them.

Dr. LeMon reported that both UCF and FIU were on track with the implementation activities for their medical schools. He said both schools had, wisely, put off the proposed implementation date by one year. He said the report, as presented in the Agenda, outlined the planning and development underway at both universities. He said the report also detailed the universities’ private fundraising and their financial plans.

President Maidique said he had previously introduced the new Dean of the College of Medicine, Dr. John Rock, to the Board. Dr. Rock explained that a great deal had occurred during the past 90 days. He said the College of Medicine was on track to complete its self-study. The curriculum was being developed. He said that FIU had been successful in recruiting a senior leadership team with over 100 years of combined experience. He reported that the Jackson Health System would be the College’s
primary health affiliate. He commented that he was focusing on the dollars to fund immediate needs, and finding the funds for endowment packages to fund the critical faculty chairs.

President Hitt said he had also introduced the new Dean of the UCF College of Medicine, Dr. Deborah German, at the January Board meeting. Dr. German said the planning for the UCF medical school was on track. She showed a photo of the Lake Nona site. She said they were also prepared for hurricanes slowing the planning activities; space had been set aside in other research space. She said she was in the process of recruiting her associate deans; 13 searches were in process. She commented that there was also planning underway for a VA Hospital at the Lake Nona site and she hoped there would be new residencies at that hospital. She commented that there was great interest in the College locally. The College had created a website; there were 160 registrants to the website in its first week.

Ms. Pappas inquired about the order of magnitude of construction cost escalation. Provost Hickey explained that the combination of the $12.5 million from The Tavistock Group and the $4 million to be matched by Courtelis Funds, should enable UCF to finish the School of Medicine building, with a $25 million cost escalation. He said they also had brought forth a proposal to bond the remaining portion of the Burnett Building.

Ms. Duncan inquired what the university planned if the Courtelis Matching Funds did not materialize. President Hitt said there would be additional debt burden; it would not be a “show-stopper” if the funds were not matched. President Maidique said FIU had plans for the next three to four years to obtain the matching funds.

Ms. McDevitt inquired whether it was possible to reevaluate existing residency programs. She inquired if these could be re-designated to the interests of Florida’s medical graduates. She noted that the Resolution included expansion within the existing facilities, as well as looking at the economic development dollars which could be used to fund residencies. She said the Resolution had also encouraged looking at the funding of rural medical needs and at financial assistance programs for doctors who entered these rural practices. Dr. LeMon said some of these issues had not been sufficiently followed. Ms. McDevitt said that there were numerous issues included in the Resolution beyond the addition of two new medical schools. She said in her view, the Resolution contemplated a comprehensive look at medical education in Florida and moving on all these issues in a parallel fashion rather than serially.

Dr. Marshall noted that the CEPRI Report had recommended that the first way to increase the physician supply was to look at increasing the number of residencies in Florida. Ms. McDevitt added that the Board also needed to look at the existing residencies to see whether they accomplished what Florida needed in its physician workforce.
Ms. Duncan said her intent was that the Board also stay on track with the expansion of the existing medical schools. She said she had hoped this would have happened this Session, but it had not yet happened. She said she hoped to solve the funding mechanisms and look at avoiding total duplication. She said this needed to be right, and that there be cooperation between the institutions. President Genshaft said that USF was working with the hospitals in the Tampa Bay area, and that there were graduates of USF’s College of Medicine who were able to remain in the area for their residency training. She noted that USF had 57 percent of its medical graduates remaining in-state; most universities reported 38 percent of their medical graduates remaining in-state.

Dr. Robert Eaglen, Interim Liaison Committee on Medical Education Secretary and Associate Vice President, Division of Medical Education, Association of American Medical Colleges, explained the accreditation process for new medical schools. He explained the steps involved in preliminary accreditation, in provisional accreditation and in full accreditation. He said that both FIU and UCF had begun the preliminary accreditation processes, but that at this stage they could not begin recruiting students. Once students began their medical education in new medical schools, they would already be in their third or fourth year of medical study before the schools obtained full accreditation.

Mr. Temple inquired how the accreditation review was funded. Dr. Eaglen said it was funded by both the American Association of Medical Colleges and the American Medical Association. He said the schools seeking accreditation also paid an administrative fee. He said at present, new medical schools at Texas Tech in El Paso, Touro University in N.Y.C., and Oakland University in Southeast Michigan were also seeking accreditation.


Mrs. Roberts said this Report would be deferred for review at a future Board meeting.

6. **Ratification of Appointment of New President, FAMU**

Ms. Challis Lowe, Chair, FAMU Board of Trustees, said it was a privilege and an honor for her to present to the Board of Governors the candidate to be the tenth President of Florida A & M University, Dr. James Ammons, and to seek the Board’s ratification of this selection. She said Dr. Ammons had been selected by the Board of Trustees of Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University on February 1, 2007.

She noted that this was an important day for Dr. Ammons, and a challenging time for FAMU. She said the University was very much under scrutiny, and from the discussions and the reports in the news, in need of important reform. She said this
Board was also taking dramatic action and intervention concerning FAMU, a situation this Board had not previously faced.

She said that since the University was so much in the spotlight, she wanted to express her viewpoint as Chair of the FAMU Board. She said her intent was that her remarks might engender a better understanding of a complicated and not very desirable situation. She said she wanted to share some questions that had been submitted to the University by a reporter who had covered FAMU for some time. She said the questions reflected well the level of concern that existed in the University community, as well as the tensions that had been spreading since the Session began and the Preliminary and Tentative Operational Audit had been filed. She said she concurred that 35 Findings were too many, and the fact that some were repeated from prior audits and that some were possibly quite serious caused great concern. She repeated what Dr. Bryant had said, that some of what had been alleged had not been substantiated in the preliminary report and might be addressed in the University’s response due the middle of April.

She said the first question was whether the Board’s Task Force would be a help or a hindrance from the University’s perspective. She said since the formation of the Task Force, she had spoken to virtually no one who did not understand the need for this intervention. She said all hoped that the guidance of the Task Force, under the leadership of the Audit Committee Chair, Lynn Pappas, would help FAMU resolve its chronic operational problems and provide a better understanding of the resource shortcomings and needs of the University. She said the second question related to the University’s expectations of the Task Force. She said the Task Force would accomplish what it said it would do. This would include providing a plan to correct the operational and financial deficiencies while helping FAMU to be certain that it complied with state policies and procedures at the highest quality level.

She said question three was how the University administration viewed its financial situation and the overall state of the University. She commented that change and modernization at Florida A & M was a work in progress. She noted that while recent reports and findings demonstrated that there was still a great deal to be done, there had been significant progress in the past two years under the leadership of Dr. Bryant. She said that progress had often come in the face of strong opposition from key constituencies of the University. She said these people cared deeply about FAMU, but did not understand the breadth or depth of the University’s operational challenges. She said she was not satisfied with the progress made thus far; there was still a need for significant change. She read from an editorial in the Tampa Tribune: “It is essential that confidence be restored at the state’s only public historically black university. And that’s best done by finding out how its finances got into such a mess and by adopting immediate reforms, not by launching a witch hunt. Calls for the state to launch a criminal investigation are premature.”
She said the last question was whether there was any truth to the concern that FAMU might be taken over by the state or that it might become a school for only undergraduate degrees. She said she could not answer that, but the question signals the level of rumor and rhetoric at this time. She said she believed that the value and uniqueness of FAMU as a major institution of higher learning in the state of Florida remained significant and treasured by its students and the community. She said she had received a document prepared by the FAMU Alumni Association, which had described its commitment as “Resilient, resplendent, respectful and resolute!”

She introduced Dr. Ammons and said she would use those same words to describe him, “resilient, resplendent, respectful and resolute.” She said she knew this Board had read of the close vote by which Dr. Ammons had been selected and were probably interested to know why there had been votes for another candidate and whether the FAMU Board could support his presidency. She said Dr. Ammons had been selected because the majority of the Board believed that his experience at FAMU and deep commitment and caring for the University was what was needed. She explained that she and the other Trustees who had not initially voted for Dr. Ammons had not voted against him, but had voted for change. They felt that there were continuing practices at the University that required significant change if the University were to provide the state of Florida with an adequate return on its investment. She said they believed that an outsider, without previous ties to the institution, might have an easier time being a catalyst for these changes.

She reported that after conversations with Dr. Ammons, it was clear that he recognized the degree to which change was necessary. She said she had also learned strategies he had implemented at North Carolina Central University which could be applied at FAMU. She said he understood the challenges and had the credentials to succeed. She said he was a serious educator who had accomplished a great deal in each of his previous positions. She said he projected optimism and confidence, and had the support of important constituencies of the University, such as the alumni, faculty and students. She said he also had the support of each and every member of the FAMU Board of Trustees.

She said since his selection as the University’s tenth President, Dr. Ammons and she had had a number of serious and important conversations so that each could be convinced that they could work well together and that doing so was in the best interest of the University. She said that as they had gotten to know each other better, they understood that they shared a vision for what it would take to help FAMU through this period and into a bright future. She said she admired this man for the enthusiasm and determination that he would bring to the job. She said the task he was prepared to accept was daunting, but one that both of them felt he could accomplish.

She acknowledged that the path was not easy, but that there was support from all parts of the University Community. She said the FAMU Board of Trustees would
work closely with Dr. Ammons and his team to support their initiatives. She said she was also confident that Dr. Ammons, once ratified by this Board, would work closely with this Board and the FAMU Task Force on Finance and Operational Control Issues. She presented Dr. Ammons. She said he could be the experienced and unifying force needed at FAMU at this time.

Ms. Parker moved that the Board ratify the appointment of Dr. James Ammons as President of Florida A & M University, as recommended by the FAMU Board of Trustees. Mr. Martin seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred unanimously.

Dr. Ammons thanked the Board of Governors for his ratification to become the tenth President of Florida A & M University. He expressed his sincere thanks to Dr. Castell Bryant for coming out of retirement to take on the leadership of her alma mater for the interim, and to the entire FAMU community for its support. He said he accepted this position with great humility. He said it was a great honor to serve his alma mater and to return to his home state. He said this was a high point in his life, thus far. He commented that there was “no place like home.” He thanked his wife, Judy, for her love and support.

Dr. Ammons said he would take the helm at Florida A & M University on July 2, 2007. He said he would assess the critical issues and propose solutions that would work at FAMU. He reported that fiscal integrity and accountability would be his highest priorities. He said he looked forward to working with the Board’s Task Force. He said he owed it to the students to operate the University within standard operating procedures. He said he expected greater accountability and assured Board members he would get it right. He said he had spent nearly 30 years working in universities, as faculty and in academic leadership, including the last six years as Chancellor at North Carolina Central University. At NCCU, he said the University had had its first clean audit under his watch. He said with support from this Board and from the Legislature and from all the loyal FAMUans, Florida A & M University was destined to grow into the University all wanted it to be.

Mrs. Roberts thanked Ms. Lowe for her remarks. She congratulated Dr. Ammons and said she was confident in his leadership. She also thanked President Castell Bryant for her service to her alma mater. She said Dr. Bryant was dedicated to quality.

7. Update, 2007 Legislative Session

Dr. Rosenberg said the Legislative Session was at the half-way point. He said he sensed that Legislators were giving greater acceptance to the Board’s responsibilities and avoiding infringing on the Board’s authority. He said they continued to emphasize
degree production by the SUS. He said he felt they were working better with the SUS and the Board as a team.

He reviewed the Board’s priority bills. He said the Governance Bill, SB 1270, represented a concerted effort by many to reflect Constitutional reality, and the relationship of this Board, the University Boards of Trustees, and the Legislature. The Bill still included areas which needed to be corrected. He commented that there was a commitment by the Legislative Leadership to deliver a governance bill this Session. He said the bill was first seen the previous Friday; there had been little time to work on it. Mrs. Roberts said she had expressed the Board’s concerns with the bill, but she said she was pleased that the Board was making progress in its relationship with the Legislature, both in its responsiveness and mutual respect.

Dr. Rosenberg said SB 0228 would allow Bright Futures scholarship money to be used in the summer term. He said a law change was required to allow the use of these scholarships in the summer term. Ms. McDevitt commented that this might encourage students to move through the system. He explained that SB 0848, First Generation Matching Grant Programs, would provide expanded financial aid for need-based students and some changes to the program. He said he was not optimistic about this second cohort of students being funded. Mr. Harrison said he was surprised about the general misunderstanding of the concept of “affordability.” He said that tuition did not relate to affordability for the poorest students in the University System.

Dr. Rosenberg said HB 0905, the Academic Enhancement Fee, would authorize UF to charge an additional $500 per semester. He said he hoped agreement could be reached on this proposal. He reported that President Wetherell had spoken about the importance of this fee. He noted that Governor Crist was on record against increasing fees, so there was the possibility of a veto if the legislation passed. Mr. Harrison inquired whether the Chancellor had a sense about the Governor’s concerns about fees. The Chancellor responded that he believed the Governor’s concerns related to issues of access and rising costs.

Ms. McDevitt said she was concerned about the funding for the First Generation Matching Grants. She recommended that the Chancellor invite some of these scholarship recipients to testify before legislative committees. Ms. Pappas concurred, adding that the Chancellor should find ways to highlight the successes of these students, and convey this message to state legislators. Mr. Martin inquired whether there was a “Student Day” at the Capitol to showcase outstanding students in the SUS. Ms. McDevitt said it was critical that the Board communicate a strong message about this program and the students the program brought to the universities.

President Hitt suggested that the Chancellor focus on specific examples about recipients to advocate on behalf of this funding. He said it was a common misperception among students and parents that the low SUS tuition was the sticker
price. He added that providing examples of what good need-based aid paid for would address the access concerns. Mrs. Roberts encouraged the Presidents to help the Chancellor promote this legislation. Mr. Stavros suggested that Mr. Harrison gather one or two students from each university to meet with the Governor. Ms. Parker added that it was also important to get support from the Governor’s Office.

Dr. Rosenberg reported that 42 percent of SUS students were recipients of Bright Futures Scholarships. He said the state’s demographics, as reported in the Pappas Report, showed that there would be more and more students seeking access to the SUS, many of whom would need financial aid. Dr. Bryant noted that there was the initial issue of access for many students, but there were also continuing costs of attending school, such as bus fare and books, which were also factors contributing to students staying in school. Mr. Arrizurieta suggested that there was still a lot of time left in the Session to get these examples to Legislators.

President Delaney suggested that the Governor was not likely to change his mind on the proposed Academic Enhancement Fee, which amounted to a 33 percent tuition increase. He said the arguments for the fee might be more successful if they included increasing access, that the universities needed the increase in revenue to give poorer students access to the universities.

Dr. Rosenberg said that the legislation authorizing a Technology Fee of up to $10 per credit hour was moving in the Senate. There was no movement on this legislation in the House. He reported that the legislation reestablishing the University Concurrency Trust Fund had a good chance of passage.

Ms. Duncan inquired whether calls to Legislators from Board members would be helpful. Dr. Rosenberg said this might be helpful to moving some of the bills. Mrs. Roberts recommended that the Chancellor begin the weekly telephone conference calls, Friday, April 6, 2007, to inform Board members, Trustees, University Presidents and others, the status of legislation of interest to the SUS.

8. **Action Items: Facilities Committee**

   A. Approve University Debt Management Policies, FAMU, FSU, NC, UNF, and UWF

   Ms. Parker moved that the Board approve the adopted Debt Management Policies of Florida A & M University, Florida State University, New College of Florida, University of North Florida, and the University of West Florida, as presented. Ms. McDevitt seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.
B. Authorize Release of Funds from the University Concurrency Trust Fund, FAMU

Ms. Parker moved that the Board approve the allocation and authorize the Department of Education to release funds in the amount of $3,246,250 to the City of Tallahassee, Florida, as agreed in the Campus Development Agreement between the Florida A & M University Board of Trustees and the City of Tallahassee, as presented. Ms. McDevitt seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred. Ms. Parker noted that the parties had signed the Campus Development Agreement consistent with this action.

C. Amend the 2007-2008 Fixed Capital Outlay Legislative Budget Request

Ms. Parker moved that the Board approve the amended 2007-2008 SUS Fixed Capital Outlay Legislative Budget Request, as revised, and further, authorize the Chancellor of the State University System of Florida to make technical adjustments, as necessary. Ms. McDevitt seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

9. Action Items: Budget Committee

A. Approve 2008-2009 Legislative Budget Request Guidelines

Mr. Perez moved that the Board approve the 2008-2009 legislative budget request development guidelines for the operating budget, and authorize the Chancellor to make technical amendments and adjustments based on the final 2007-2008 Legislative appropriations, as presented. Ms. Parker seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

Ms. Parker moved that the Board also approve the 2008-2009 legislative budget request development guidelines for the fixed capital outlay budget and authorize the Chancellor to make technical amendments and adjustments based on the final 2007-2008 Legislative appropriations, as presented. Mr. Perez seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

B. Approve estimated 2007-2008 Operating Budgets for Auxiliary Facilities that have Bond Covenants requiring Board Approval

Mr. Perez moved that the Board approve the estimated 2007-2008 operating budgets for auxiliary facilities that have bond covenants requiring Board approval, as presented. Ms. McDevitt seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.
C. Approve Acquisition/Construction of a Statewide Coastal Ocean Research Vessel for the Florida Institute of Oceanography

Mr. Perez reported that the Budget Committee had had a good discussion about the funding needed to acquire a research vessel for the Florida Institute of Oceanography. He said the Committee had been supportive of the Institute, but had not recommended the acquisition or construction of the vessel at this time. He said the Committee had asked staff to review the 18 institutes and centers in the State University System which were designated as “Type 1” institutes and bring back a recommendation for the Board’s consideration of their funding needs.

10. Approve Designation of the Board of Governors as the Entity Responsible for Financial Reporting Requirements of the State University System

Ms. Pappas moved that the Board designate the Board of Governors of the State University System of Florida, as the entity responsible for the financial reporting requirements of the State University System, with regards to the annual State of Florida Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, as presented. Ms. Parker seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

11. Action Items: Research and Economic Development Committee

Ms. Duncan reported that the Florida Chamber would be sponsoring a conference on May 22, 2007, on the Innovation Economy, which members of the Board might find interesting. She said the Committee had heard from a faculty member at UF, Dr. Linda Bartoshuk, who had been hired as a “21st Century Scholar.” She said the Committee had agreed to have a meeting by telephone conference call to discuss the accountability measures for the Centers of Excellence which had been funded last November. She reported that the Committee had also had a presentation on targeted degrees productivity. She said she hoped to have a discussion on research in the System at the next meeting of the Committee and to begin a dialogue about federal research funding.

A. Approve, 21st Century Legislation, 2006 Annual Report

Ms. Duncan moved that the Board approve the Economic Development Committee’s Annual Report on the 21st Century Technology, Research, and Scholarship Enhancement Act for transmission to the Governor, the Speaker of the House, and the President of the Senate, as presented. Ms. Pappas seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.
B. Approve, Centers of Excellence Accountability Measures

Ms. Duncan moved that the Board approve the Centers of Excellence Accountability Measures, as presented. Dr. Marshall seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

12. Action Items: Academic Programs/Strategic Planning Committee

Regulations for Final Board Approval

A. Regulation, Academic Program Authorization

Mr. Temple moved that the Board approve Board of Governors Regulation 6C-8.011, Academic Program Authorization, as presented. Ms. McDevitt seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

B. Regulation, Academic Program Termination

Mr. Temple moved that the Board approve Board of Governors Regulation 6C-8.012, Academic Program Termination, as presented. Ms. McDevitt seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

C. Regulation, Limited Access

Mr. Temple moved that the Board approve Board of Governors Regulation 6C-8.013, Limited Access, as presented. Ms. McDevitt seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

D. Regulation, Exception to the 120 Credit Hour Requirement for Baccalaureate Programs

Mr. Temple moved that the Board approve Board of Governors Regulation 6C-8.014, Exception to the 120 Credit Hour Requirement for Baccalaureate Programs, as presented. Ms. McDevitt seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

E. Regulation, Academic Program Review

Mr. Temple moved that the Board approve Board of Governors Regulation 6C-8.015, Academic Program Review, as presented. Ms. McDevitt seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.
F. Regulation, Academic Learning Compacts

Mr. Temple moved that the Board approve Board of Governors Regulation 6C-8.016, Academic Learning Compacts, as presented. Ms. McDevitt seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

Draft Regulations for Approval to Notice

A. Notice of Regulation, University Calendars

Ms. Parker moved that the Board approve the Public Notice of the Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 6C-8.001, University Calendars, as presented. Ms. McDevitt seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

B. Notice of Regulation, Incentive/Efficiency Program

Ms. Parker moved that the Board approve the Public Notice of the Intent to Repeal Board of Governors Regulation 6C-8.010, Incentive/Efficiency Program, as presented. Ms. McDevitt seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

Approval of New Degree Programs

A. Approve, Doctor of Physical Therapy, FIU, UCF, UNF

Dr. Marshall moved that the Board approve the proposed Doctor of Physical Therapy at Florida International University, CIP Code 51.2308, as presented. Ms. Duncan seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

Dr. Marshall moved that the Board approve the proposed Doctor of Physical Therapy at the University of Central Florida, CIP Code 51.2308, as presented. Ms. Duncan seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

Dr. Marshall moved that the Board approve the proposed Doctor of Physical Therapy at the University of North Florida, CIP Code 51.2308, as presented. Ms. Duncan seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.
B. Approve, Doctor of Nursing Practice, UNF

Ms. Duncan moved that the Board approve the Doctor of Nursing Practice at the University of North Florida, CIP Code 51.1601, as presented. Dr. Marshall seconded the motion, and members of the Board concurred.

13. Adjournment

Having no further business, the Chair adjourned the regular meeting of the Board of Governors, State University System of Florida, at 3:20 p.m., March 29, 2007.

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Carolyn K. Roberts,
Chair

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Mary-Anne Bestebreurtje,
Corporate Secretary