

**Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University  
Board of Trustees**



**Academic and Student Affairs Committee Minutes  
Trustee Nicole Washington, Chair**

**March 7, 2019 @ 9:30 am  
Grand Ballroom**

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Nicole Washington. Ms. Valeria Singleton called the roll and the following committee members were present: Matthew Carter; Thomas Dortch; Bettie Grable; David Jackson, III; David Lawrence; Nicole Washington; and Robert Woody. A quorum was established.

Trustee Dortch moved to approve the minutes for the meetings on June 6, 2018 and December 7, 2018. The motion was seconded by Trustee Grable and the motion carried.

**Sabbatical and Professional Development Leave** – Ten recommendations for sabbatical leave for the 2019 – 2020 academic year were presented and discussed.

Trustee Carter moved to approve sabbatical leave for the following faculty members:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>College/School</b>	<b>Semester(s)</b>
Derek Holloman	Associate Professor	Business & Industry	Fall 2019 – Spring 2020
Mazhar Islam	Professor	Business & Industry	Fall 2019
Wenrui Huang	Professor	Engineering	Spring 2020
Reginald Perry	Professor	Engineering	Spring 2020
Lundy Langston	Professor	Law	Spring 2020
Jennifer Smith	Professor	Law	Fall 2019
Yolanda Bogan	Professor	Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities	Fall 2019
Kimberly Harding	Associate Professor	Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities	Spring 2020
Vasile Lauric	Professor	Science & Technology	Spring 2020
Edith Onyeozili	Professor	Science & Technology	Fall 2019 – Spring 2020

The motion was seconded by Trustee Dortch and the motion carried.

**Regulation 2.030, Student Activities** – Dr. Hudson stated that the Dean of Students, in consultation with the Efferson Student Union & Activities Staff, are responsible for the oversight of student organizations which include but is not limited to their recognition status with the university, recruitment practices and overall functioning on campus. This Regulation is being revised to reflect the incorporation of technology into operational procedures, the classification of student organizations and recruitment procedures, facility use requirements, and the elimination of dated practices. The University is requesting that the Board of Trustees approve the amendment to Regulation 2.030 for notice and adoption after the expiration of the thirty (30) day

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notice period, provided there are no public comments, in accordance with the Florida Board of Governors' Regulation Development Procedure.

Trustee Jackson moved to approve the revisions to Regulation 2.030 and the motion was seconded by Trustee Grable. The motion carried.

## **Student Affairs Updates** – The following informational updates were provided:

- Dr. William Hudson, Jr., provided an update on the IGNITE program.
  - There was a brief discussion on Metric 10 (BOT Choice Metric) which is the number of bachelor degrees awarded to transfers with AA degrees from the Florida College System (FCS). Trustee Washington requested an explanation of the methodology relating to transfer students since the Fall 2019 numbers were lagging. Dr. Hudson stated that the Fall 2019 numbers will not be final until later this year; however, with our the recruitment and retention efforts we are poised to meet our goal.
  - The University has a program that works with transfer students to ensure their success. Quantitative data will be available in the fall relating to transfer students' graduation rates.
  - Dr. Teri Little-Berry provided updates relating to the IGNITE program to include the new director hired for transfer services and upcoming transfer visits to various community colleges.
- Mr. Bryan Smith provided an update on the hazing prevention initiatives.
  - Trustee Lawrence wanted to know why the online certification course was not mandatory. Mr. Smith stated that the University is moving towards making the online certification course mandatory starting in the fall.

## **Academic Affairs Updates** – The following informational updates were provided:

- Provost Edington provided updates on the key initiatives.
  - Dr. Allyson Watson has accepted the offer as the Dean of the College of Education. Her start date is July 1.
  - The national search for the Dean of the College of Law has been launched.
  - We are currently in negotiations with the candidate for the FAMU Developmental Research School.
  - There was an on-site review of the College of Law by ABA Accreditation Review committee during the week of March 4. The committee provided constructive feedback about how to improve the law school and this feedback will be used as a plan of action.
  - The University has been approached by Representative Smith regarding a proposed educational site in Apopka to address the underserved. This is in the early stages and it is driven by the City of Apopka. The City of Apopka will propose funding requests to the state.
- Mr. Peter Harris provided an update on the Medical Marijuana Education and Research Initiative.
  - Trustee Mills asked for clarification regarding the scope of the initiative. There are two parts to the initiative: one part deals with the education of minorities regarding the consequences of illicit marijuana usage and the other part deals with research that is driven by FAMU faculty (e.g., how are medical marijuana prescriptions distributed based on racial groups).
  - We have received 25 proposals from faculty regarding medical marijuana research.

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There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 10:31 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Washington, Committee Chair