

Governor Sydney Kitson's Visit to Campus

February 19, 2019

1. Introduction
2. Remarks:
 - a. Trustee Kimberly Moore welcomed Governor Kitson to the campus.
 - b. Trustee Bettye Grable also welcomed Governor Kitson to campus. She and Governor Kitson agreed that it is important for faculty to attend the faculty breakfast during the BOG meeting on campus, as it will give the BOG an opportunity to hear directly from the faculty. Trustee Grable stated that the faculty at FAMU are very hard working individuals and are eager to have this opportunity. Trustee Grable also indicated that FAMU needs more resources.
 - c. Trustee Jackson thanked Governor Kitson for taking the time to visit the campus. He also expressed the need for additional funding for the CASS building, as it would have a positive impact on the student experience at FAMU.
 - d. FAMU SGA Vice President Robin Seniors shared that the University needs additional funding for counselors and for the CASS building.
 - e. FAMU President Larry Robinson stated that other universities were provided preeminence funding that was used to help raise the graduation rate African-American students. President Robinson shared that FAMU's academic progress rate is 70% and the six-year graduation rate will be over 50%. President Robinson also shared that North Carolina has invested heavily in its HBCU's. He stated that of 104 HBCU's FAMU was ranked the number two public HBCU in the nation.
 - f. Governor Kitson indicated that FAMU needs to come to the BOG with asks. He agreed that the student service center is critical.
 - g. FAMU student Richard Morrisett stated that FAMU has given him a lot of opportunities and that there is a need for more academic advisors.
3. The meeting transitioned to the tour of the campus.