Special Committee on Athletics Meeting  
Wednesday, December 7, 2022  
11:30 a.m.  
The Grand Ballroom

Committee Members:  
Kelvin Lawson, Chair  
Zackary Bell, Ann Marie Cavazos, Thomas Dortch, and Trustee Otis Cliatt

AGENDA

I. Call to Order  
   Chairman Lawson

II. Roll Call  
   Kimberly Taylor

ACTION ITEMS

III. Approval of October 5, 2022, Minutes  
   Chairman Lawson

IV. Athletic Director’s Employment Agreement  
   VP Denise Wallace

DISCUSSION ITEMS

V. Athletics Budget Update  
   Nichole Murry

VI. Update on Athletics Action Plan  
   Dr. Larry Robinson

VII. Introduction of New Vice President/AD  
   Dr. Larry Robinson

VIII. Athletic Department Update  
   Michael Smith

IX. Adjournment  
   Chairman Lawson
Special Committee on Athletics
December 7, 2022
Agenda Item: III

Subject: Committee Meeting Minutes

Rationale: Section 5.10 of the Board of Trustees Operating Procedures provides that detailed minutes should be kept for any Board or Committee meeting. Those minutes should include a record of votes cast and attendance.

Recommendation: Approval of the October 5, 2022 meeting minutes.

Attachments: Yes
CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME
Kelvin Lawson, Chair

Chair Lawson called the Special Committee on Athletics meeting to order. Mrs. Kimberly Taylor – BOT Coordinator called the roll. The following committee members were present, and a quorum was established: Trustee Zachary Bell, Trustee Ann Marie Cavazos, Trustee Otis Cliatt, Trustee Thomas Dortch and Chair/Trustee Kelvin Lawson.

Chair Lawson asked for a motion for the approval of the June 3, 2022 minutes. Trustee Bell motioned approval for the minutes, Trustee Cavazos seconded and the motion was carried. No further action items were presented.

Mrs. Nichole Murry, Director of University Budgets, presented a brief review of the FY 2021-22 year-end actuals and projections of the FY2-23 budget that was approved during the August BOT Retreat. She noted the numbers presented were as of June 30th and that financial statements were still being completed.

President Robinson provided updates on the comprehensive Athletics Action Plan. The plan provides an overview of the critical areas of focus (Academic Support, Financial Aid and Student Support, Admissions, Compliance, Accountability and Operational Effectiveness and Audit Services), strategies, actions/steps, responsible parties, timelines and status. The university will provide monthly updates to the board. Board members acknowledged the work of the committee, continued in-depth discussions regarding the overall plan, and requested that all entities involved be proactive and deliberate in the execution, monitoring and reporting of it. During and at the conclusion of the presentation, President Robinson and Chair Lawson publicly thanked President Cartwright and his entire athletic staff at the University of Central Florida for sharing best practices advise and for offering ongoing support.

Due to time constraints, Chair Lawson requested the Athletics and Audit and Compliance Departments provide an update on the outstanding audit items at the next meeting. He also requested that the Budget, Finance and Facilities Committee look at a timeline for the purchase of the scoreboard and keep the board updated.

With no further business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned.
Subject: Approval of Tiffini-Dawn Sykes’ Multi-Year Employment Agreement

Proposed Board Action: The Florida A&M University Board of Trustees, President Robinson, and Tiffini-Dawn Sykes agree to a multi-year employment agreement as athletic director at Florida A&M University. The term of the agreement is January 4, 2023 through January 3, 2026.

Attachments: No