



**Board of Trustees Conference Call
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 12, 2022**

Chair Kelvin Lawson called the meeting to order. Trustees Bell, Cavazos, Cliatt, Dortch, Dubose, Harper, Lawson, Moore, Perry, Reed, Stone, and Washington established a quorum.

There were no requests for public comments.

The first item for Board action was the consideration of the 2022-2027 Florida A&M University Strategic Plan. Chair Lawson reminded the Board they had reviewed the plan during the June 2022 meeting. It is being considered for approval because he wanted everyone to have enough time to thoroughly review it and schedule individual briefings with Dr. Kelly McMurray, Associate Vice President for Strategic Planning. Trustee Harper shared that the only change since the June meeting was an updated photo on page 27. Trustee Dortch moved approval of the plan. Trustee Perry seconded the motion, and it was approved with a unanimous vote. Provost Edington stated that the plan would be on the Board of Governors' September meeting agenda.

Trustee Dortch asked Mrs. McBeth and Provost Edington to present the proposed 2023-2024 Legislative Budget Request (LBR). Mrs. McBeth previously shared highlights of the plan during the June 2022 BOT meeting. The Board received the plan's final draft on June 30, 2022. Mrs. McBeth explained that the LBR is due to the Board of Governors on July 15, 2022, and that the legislative session convenes on March 7, 2023.

The components of the LBR:

- Elevating and Sustaining Student Success: \$15M
- Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Performance-Based Funding: \$12.5
- University of Distinction – Improving 21st Century Health and Wellness: \$6M
- University Efficiencies

She highlighted that the University received \$70M in new money this past year and \$5M in recurring operational enhancement. Trustee Dubose moved approval of the LBR. Trustee Dortch provided the second, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Vice President Friday-Stroud provided information regarding the contract for upgrading the amphitheater. The agreement was over \$1M and thus required Board approval. She reminded the Board that in October 2021, they approved the naming of the amphitheater plaza for the Knight Foundation, based on their \$1.5M gift. VP Friday Stroud shared that there is one contractor and 39% of the sub-contractors are minority-owned businesses. Trustee Dortch moved approval of the contract, and Trustee Dubose provided the second. The motion was approved unanimously.

Next, the Division of Audit provided resource-level insights and recommendations to support several high-priority areas. VP Joesph Maleszewski stated that in the new budget, President Robinson provided additional resources that will be used to hire a staff auditor position and to acquire technological support from The Gartner Group. The new position should be filled in early fall 2022. The Gartner Group will provide services to the University to help better address the audit

scope and productivity of audit work and facilitate reporting, especially in information security and information technology. The Enterprise Risk Management suite of services will help implement the Enterprise Risk Management program at FAMU. These additions will facilitate the Division of Audit's work on several projects now rather than a year from now.

Mrs. Rica Calhoun, Chief Compliance and Ethics Officer, shared that her office also needed additional resources to perform its functions. She said that President Robinson approved a new position for the office. That position will focus on expanding training and compliance monitoring. Mrs. Calhoun indicated that the Office of Compliance should be able to meet the expectations with the current resource allocation. President Robinson clarified that the Division of Audit and the Office of Compliance would receive one new position each.

Trustee Moore provided an update on current construction. She said that the Board should have received information regarding forming a task force, looking at the scoreboard issue, and addressing the skybox. VP Gloria Walker stated that she identified a task owner and a project manager for each project.

Scoreboard – AD Michael Smith reported that two companies were vying for the opportunity to provide a temporary video board for the stadium. He will make a final decision regarding the scoreboard by July 17. A permanent solution will be pursued at the end of the season.

Press Box – VP Walker shared that the City of Tallahassee requires that all code requirements must be met before a letter of occupancy is issued.

Chair Lawson stated that the Board's approval of the University's new strategic plan would set the course for the University for the next several years.

President Robinson thanked the Board for setting a high bar for the University. He said that some goals are aspirational but push the University in the right direction.

President Robinson also shared that the Marching 100 video from Paris has over eight million views. He and the Board expressed pride in the band's performance and worldwide exposure.

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned.