Chairman Lutgert convened the meeting of the University Board of Trustees from The Sprint Room at 10:45 a.m. Tuesday, January 20, 2004 with the following members present:

Jeff Faramo
Larry Hart
Renee Lee
Bernie Lester
Scott Lutgert
David Lucas
Ed Morton
Donna Price Henry
Linda Taylor
Michael Villalobos
Charles Idelson Ex-Officio Trustee

Members of staff present were:

William Merwin, President
Brad Bartel, Provost
Joseph Shepard, Vice President for Administrative Services
Tom Healy, Special Assistant to the President
Steve Magiera, Vice President for University Advancement
Wendy Morris, General Counsel
Susan Evans, Special Assistant to the President
Kathy Bottoms, Administrative Assistant
Barbara Krell, Executive Assistant to the President

Guests: Dr. Randy Alberte
Dr. Kathleen Davey
Dr. Duane Dobbert
Dr. Sakinah Salahu-Din
Dr. Tina Gelpi
Dr. Linda Buettner
Mr. Bobby Ginn
1. Call to Order & Roll Call – Chair Scott Lutgert

Chair Lutgert greeted the trustees and then turned the meeting over to President Merwin.

2. Remarks from FGCU Student Government – President Jeff Faramo

President Merwin introduced Mr. Faramo, President of the FGCU Student Government Association. Mr. Faramo updated trustees regarding current student activities on campus.

3. Remarks from FGCU Faculty Senate – President Donna Price Henry

President Merwin introduced Dr. Price Henry, President of the Faculty Senate who reported on recent faculty activities at FGCU.

4. Remarks from FGCU Staff Advisory Council – President Bob Swank

President Merwin introduced Mr. Swank, President of the Staff Advisory Council. Mr. Swank reported on changes to SAC over the past few months.

5. Remarks from FGCU Foundation – Chair Charles Idelson

President Merwin introduced Mr. Charles Idelson, current Chair of the FGCU Foundation. Mr. Idelson reported on current events related to Foundation activities.

6. Remarks from FGCU Alumni Association – Director of Alumni Relations Michele Yovanovich and Alumni Association Chair John Little

President Merwin introduced Ms. Yovanovich, Director of Alumni Relations and Dr. John Little, Alumni Association Chair. Ms. Yovanovich and Dr. Little provided updates to trustees regarding current activities of that association.

7. Consent Agenda
Chairman Lutgert asked if anyone would like to pull the consent agenda item minutes of the November 20, 2003 meeting. Trustee Price Henry stated that on page four of the minutes regarding the vote on the permanent rule change, which the minutes indicated that she voted “no”. The minutes should reflect Trustee Price Henry voted in support of that amendment. A motion was made by Trustee Taylor to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lester. Motion carried unanimously.

8. President’s Report

President Merwin stated that the Ginn Report would begin at 12:30 p.m. today. He also invited Dr. Randy Alberte, Director of the Biotechnology Program to describe the trip made to LaJolla California to visit the Scripps Research Institute.

President Merwin stated that Trustee Starkey was unable to be at today’s meeting because he was receiving an award from the Association of Home Builders as the Home Builder of the Year for WCI. President Merwin also congratulated Dr. Lester, who received the Distinguished Citizen Award from the Southwest Florida Boy Scouts of America.

President Merwin stated that we have made strides regarding the Campus Climate Survey in recent months. He reported that with the additions of holiday leave time, the inclusion of a person to handle staff development, and the market equity adjustments for salary, those commitments have been fulfilled. He stated that the Staff Advisory Council has revised its charter to elaborate on the important relationship between University administration and SAC as a representative of the University’s staff. President Merwin conveyed the gratitude of the faculty and staff to the Board of Trustees for the additional holiday time allotted this year.

President Merwin reported that the Capital Campaign, which actually started in 1999 as a silent campaign, is going well. He stated that he was especially delighted that after the announcement of the Capital Campaign, Trustee Lucas said that he was giving $2 million to FGCU. President Merwin thanked Trustee Lucas for his generosity to Florida Gulf Coast University.
President Merwin congratulated Provost Brad Bartel on his recent appointment as President of Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado. President Merwin thanked Dr. Bartel for his years of service at Florida Gulf Coast University. He reported that Dr. Tom Harrington is chairing the Provost Search Committee then outlined the timeline for the committee.

President Merwin reported that he testified in Tallahassee before the Higher Education Funding Committee of the House of Representatives. President Merwin plans to attend the Board of Governors meeting on January 22nd in Gainesville.

President Merwin reminded trustees of the President’s Gala on February 21st and alerted them to a new fundraising event coordinated by Robert and Kay Gow celebrating the Chinese New Year. That event will be held on Monday, January 26th, to benefit the Renaissance Academy led by Dr. Jack Crocker.

President Merwin thanked the trustees for their participation in the December Commencement.

Meeting recessed for lunch at 11:42 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 12:30 p.m.

**Ginn Presentation**

President Merwin introduced Mr. Ginn of the Ginn Company and indicated that FGCU had been in discussion with Mr. Ginn about a redevelopment project on a tract of land adjacent to FGCU. He stated that the trustees have consistently urged him to insist that the Ginn redevelopment project be as environmentally sensitive as FGCU’s development. President Merwin reported that one part of the discussions had focused on 215 acres owned by the FGCU Foundation. In December, the Foundation Board of Directors made a decision to grant Mr. Ginn’s request to buy the development rights of this parcel of land by unanimous vote. The total amount of the donation made to the University by Mr. Ginn is nearly $5 million to be used at the discretion of the University. President Merwin asked Mr. Ginn here today to describe to the trustees his current project and to thank him for what he has done for this
University, including the way he went about revising his project.

Mr. Ginn stated that since he was here a few months ago, he wanted to update the trustees regarding the tract of land next the University’s property. He reported the company has made tremendous progress in these months and is continuing to work through development, land planning and engineering. Mr. Ginn stated the property is about 4500 acres and they are proposing a plan of density of about 330 and 370 units. He also stated that this is a very small amount of units on a large tract of land and that his company is addressing the archeological, environmental and endangered species aspects of development because it is the proper thing to do. Mr. Ginn reported that the density is very low and the lots will be large which will allow for green areas around the building pad. The building plan will include the removal of exotics, and the flow ways will be restored. He stated that they are attempting to plan this project according to the guidelines of the DRGR without requesting a variance. Mr. Ginn’s hope is that this project will conclude resulting in a beautiful, sensitive community being built in the neighborhood and a standard for how the DRGR should be held for future development.

President Merwin thanked Mr. Ginn for the gift and for the update to the trustees.

President Merwin introduced Dr. Alberte, Director of Biotechnology Program, at FGCU. President Merwin stated that Representative Dudley Goodlette called the Scripps Research Institute and requested an opportunity for President Merwin and Dr. Alberte to visit the Scripps Institute in LaJolla. President Merwin asked Dr. Alberte to update the trustees regarding our proposed opportunities with the Scripps Institute. Dr. Alberte described the potential benefits of this relationship for students at Florida Gulf Coast University as well as economic diversification in this area.

Chairman Lutgert introduced Committee Chair Lee and the meeting was turned over to Chair Lee. Chair Lee introduced Provost Bartel for the information item. Dr. Bartel introduced Dr. Davey, Dean of Instructional Technology and Broadcast Services. Dr. Davey provided an informative
Powerpoint program regarding the activities and services provided by Instructional Technology and the Broadcast Center. (Appendix A)

Provost Bartel introduced Dr. Dobbert, Assistant Professor, Division of Justice Studies, who made a presentation regarding the requested New Degree Program: Bachelor of Science in Criminal Forensic Studies (Appendix B). Dr. Dobbert reviewed the background regarding this potential degree program. A motion was made for approval of this program by Trustee Morton. Motion was seconded by Trustee Villalobos. Motion carried unanimously.

Provost Bartel introduced Dr. Salahu-Din, Assistant Professor, Division of Social Work, who outlined the proposed New Degree Program: Bachelor of Social Work Program (Appendix C). A motion was made to approve this degree program by Trustee Hart. Motion was seconded by Trustee Morton. Motion carried unanimously.

Provost Bartel introduced Dr. Tina Gelpi, Chair of the Department of Occupational Therapy, who presented information regarding the proposed New Degree Program: Bachelor of Science in Community Health (Appendix D). A motion was made by Trustee Morton to approve this degree program. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lucas. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gelpi outlined information regarding the New Degree Program: Master of Science in Occupational Therapy. A motion was made by Trustee Villalobos to approve this degree program (Appendix E). Motion was seconded by Trustee Morton. Motion carried unanimously.

Provost Bartel introduced Dr. Buettner, Associate Professor, Department of Health Sciences who outlined the New Degree Program: Master of Science in Geriatric Recreational Therapy (Appendix F). A motion was made to approve this degree program by Trustee Morton. Motion was seconded by Trustee Villalobos. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Finance & Administration Committee Meeting – Committee Chair Bernie Lester
Chairman Lester called the committee meeting to order and introduced Dr. Shepard, Vice President for Administrative Services, who reviewed the following items with trustees:

• 2003-04 Mid-Year Budgetary Report (Appendix G)
• Financial Report for 2002-03 (Appendix H)

Chairman Lester introduced Dr. Healy, Special Assistant to the President, who reported on the 2004 Legislative Priorities. (Appendix I) A motion was made by Trustee Lee to approve the 2004 Legislative Priorities. Motion was seconded by Trustee Price Henry. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Old Business – Chair Scott Lutgert

There was no old business to come before the Board.

12. New Business – Chair Scott Lutgert

There was no new business to come before the Board.

13. Chair’s Closing Remarks – Chair Scott Lutgert

Chairman Lutgert recommended trustees look at the Renaissance Academy brochure and felt that the staff members should be complimented for the excellent work. He stated the next meeting is Tuesday, April 20th.

14. Adjourn Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.
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