Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees
September 12, 2006

SUBJECT: Resolution for Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees’ Performance Evaluation of President Bill Merwin for 2005-06

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve resolution.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees is statutorily responsible for annually evaluating the performance of the FGCU president. At the Board’s June 20, 2006 meeting, President Bill Merwin was evaluated for the period of July 1, 2005 through June 20, 2006. Details of the trustees’ evaluation comments are included in the minutes of the June 20 meeting, and the proposed resolution is designed to memorialize the Board’s evaluation.

Supporting Documentation Included: Resolution for Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees’ Performance Evaluation of President Bill Merwin for 2005-06

Prepared by: FGCU Board of Trustees Chair Scott Lutgert, and Special Assistant to the President Susan Evans

Legal Review by: General Counsel Wendy Morris (August 21, 2006)

Submitted by: FGCU Board of Trustees Chair Scott Lutgert
A Resolution of the
Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees

WHEREAS, in 2001 the Florida Legislature and Governor Jeb Bush created a new system of K-20 seamless education for the State of Florida, which included installation of the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees’ statutory responsibilities include employing, evaluating and compensating the University’s president, who serves as its chief executive officer; and

WHEREAS, Dr. William C. Merwin has served as President of Florida Gulf Coast University since 1999, and is evaluated annually by the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees through a comprehensive review process based on a set of performance measures for which President Merwin provides a self-evaluative report; and

WHEREAS, Dr. William C. Merwin’s performance for 2005-06 was evaluated by the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees during its June 20, 2006 meeting, with the trustees unanimously concurring that President Merwin has served with great distinction and leadership to significantly advance the academic, student life, campus development, private fundraising, and community service missions of the University,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees evaluated President William C. Merwin as exceeding expectations for his 2005-06 performance, and recognized his substantial contributions in the furtherance of Florida Gulf Coast University’s growth and development.

Duly adopted this 12th day of September in the year 2006.

Signed:

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Scott F. Lutgert, Chair
Florida Gulf Coast University Trustees