Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees
June 17, 2008

SUBJECT: Minutes of April 15, 2008 Meeting

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve minutes

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees met on April 15, 2008. Minutes of the meeting were kept as statutorily required.

Supporting Documentation Included: Minutes of April 15, 2008 Meeting

Prepared by: Executive Assistant to the President Barbara Krell

Legal Review: N/A

Submitted by: President Wilson G. Bradshaw
Vice Chairman Hart convened the meeting of the University Board of Trustees with the following members present:

- Brian Cobb (via teleconference)
- Lindsay Harrington (via teleconference)
- Larry Hart
- Bernie Lester
- David Lucas
- James Malone (via teleconference)
- Doug St. Cerny
- Jerry Starkey
- Michael Villalobos
- Jaynie Whitcomb
- Brad Piepenbrink
- Halcyon St. Hill

Pat Stranahan, Chair, Foundation Board of Directors

Members of Staff Present:

- Wilson G. Bradshaw, President
- Peg Gray-Vickrey, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
- Joe Shepard, Vice President for Administrative Services and Finance
- Steve Magiera, Vice President for Advancement
- Mike Rollo, Vice President for Student Affairs
- Susan Evans, Chair of Staff
- Vee Leonard, General Counsel
- Barbara Krell
- Kathy Bottoms

Guests: Isaac Roman, Sean Terwilliger, Carol Slade

1. Call to Order, and Roll Call – Vice Chair Larry Hart

Vice Chair Hart greeted the Trustees and asked Ms. Evans to call roll which is reflected above. Vice Chair Hart asked that President Bradshaw introduce the standing reports.
2. Remarks from FGCU Faculty Senate – President Halcyon St. Hill

   President Bradshaw introduced Trustee St. Hill who provided an update to Trustees regarding faculty activities during the spring semester.

3. Remarks from FGCU Staff Advisory Council (SAC) – President David Vazquez

   President Bradshaw introduced Mr. Vazquez who gave a report regarding SAC activities and accomplishments.

4. Remarks from FGCU Student Government – President Brad Piepenbrink

   President Bradshaw introduced Trustee Piepenbrink who gave his final report from the Student Government Association. Trustee Piepenbrink introduced Sean Terwilliger and Isaac Roman who are the newly elected President and Vice President of the Student Government Association.

5. Remarks from FGCU Foundation Board of Directors – Chair Pat Stranahan

   President Bradshaw introduced Mr. Stranahan. Mr. Stranahan provided the Trustees with a report regarding the FGCU Foundation Board’s recent accomplishments.

6. President’s Report – President Wilson G. Bradshaw

   President Bradshaw reported that he has continued to be out and about in the community speaking at many events including the regional chambers. He thanked Trustees for their participation in his inauguration and stated this was one of the most memorable days in his and his family’s lives.

   President Bradshaw reported the Provost search has been completed and we have completed negotiations with Dr. Ronald Toll. Dr. Toll will be joining FGCU around July 1st. President Bradshaw thanked Dr. Henry for the great job with the search which brought FGCU such a fine candidate. He also thanked Dr. Gray-Vickrey for her excellent work as Interim Provost.

   President Bradshaw stated we are pleased to see how well our athletics teams are doing in the inaugural year of NCAA Division I. He reported the women’s basketball team beat USF to advance in the Women’s National Independent Tournament and came close to beating UF in the tournaments’ second round. President Bradshaw stated this is the first time any Division I team has gone to the NIT in its’ first year of existence. He stated the spring sports of baseball, softball, women’s and men’s tennis and women’s and men’s golf are underway.

   President Bradshaw reported he has been in Tallahassee a great deal and has met and developed relationships with a number of legislators. The legislators he has met with
over the past month include House Speaker Marco Rubio, Representative David Rivera, Senator Lisa Carlton, Senate President Ken Pruitt, Senator Steve Olrich, Representative Marti Coley, Representative Mike Grant, Senator Evelyn Lynn, Representative Trudi Williams, Representative Paige Kreegel, and Senator Burt Saunders. President Bradshaw stated that all of them are supporters of FGCU and although it’s a tough year, it’s great to have that kind of support when hard decisions need to be made. President Bradshaw has also been to Washington D.C. and met with U.S. Senator Bill Nelson, U.S. Senator Mel Martinez, Congressman Connie Mack, Congressman Lincoln Diaz-Balart, and Congressman Kendrick Meek. He stated Congressman Mario Diaz-Balart was on campus last week to present us with a $1.5 million grant from the Department of Defense for dual technologies in bio-defense. This world class research team is led by Dr. Isern along with Dr. Michael and Dr. Barreto. They are an example of the quality faculty we have here at FGCU.

President Bradshaw gave highlights from the current Legislative Session. He stated there will be no funds for enrollment growth and general revenue is expected to be $47 million. He reported student fees should generate $29 million and the Education Enhancement Fund is $6 million. President Bradshaw reported total FTE that will be funded is 5373, PECO request is $5 million for roads and infrastructure, $5 million for Phase II of the Hospitality Management Building, and in the House there is $8 million for what we have been calling Academic Building VIII for the new Health Sciences Building. Dr. Bradshaw stated in the Senate both the infrastructure and Hospitality Management items are there for $5 million each. He stated that the Senate does not have any dollars yet for the Health Sciences Building and this item will be worked out in conference. President Bradshaw reported that the building match for the Courtelis Matching Program status is that there is nothing in the House for us and in the Senate there is $500,000. He stated that Trustees may recall that we are asking for a $1 million match for the Green Building. We have raised $1 million in private funds and we will be watching and advocating for the complete match on that item. With regard to matching gifts for scholarships and endowments, President Bradshaw stated there is nothing in the House and in the Senate and he believes we have approximately $3 million that is eligible for that matching program, but we are not optimistic. President Bradshaw stated that the Capital Improvement Fee Trust Fund, which is generated by fees paid by students, has three items for that fund. He stated there is nothing in the House for us and in the Senate there is $2.8 million for our Student Union, $600,000 for soccer fields, and $600,000 for South Housing Recreation Fields. President Bradshaw reported that one of the major issues emerging from the 2008 Legislative Session is alternative and renewable energy. He stated that currently the Senate has funded several projects for the State University System including Florida Gulf Coast University. This includes $8.5 million in the Senate bill for Solar Field Installation and our plan is to match that with a private partner to have a solar field that will reduce our energy costs by at least 30% and realize great savings over the next fifteen to twenty years. President Bradshaw stated that in the area of employee compensation, the budget does not have any increases for state employee salaries at this time. He stated there is some legislation that would change the governing structure of the State University System and would have some impact on the structure of this Board, the authority of this Board, and how this Board is appointed in the future.
The same legislation would establish an elected Commissioner of Education and a State College System which would be comprised of current two year colleges that offer baccalaureate degrees and would establish criteria for other two year colleges to move into that system.

7. Consent Agenda – Vice Chair Larry Hart

- Minutes of January 15, 2008 (Addendum A)
- Meeting Dates for 2008-09 (Addendum B)

A motion was made by Trustee Lester to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion was seconded by Trustee Whitcomb. Motion carried.

8. Academic/Student/Faculty Affairs Committee Meeting – Committee Chair Larry Hart

Committee Chair Hart introduced Interim Provost Gray-Vickrey to review the following:

- Action Item
  Nomenclature Changes for Existing Curricula (Addendum C)
  Motion was made by Trustee St. Hill to approve the Nomenclature Changes for Existing Curricula. Motion was seconded by Trustee Piepenbrink. Motion carried.

9. Finance & Administration Committee Meeting – Committee Chair David Lucas

Committee Chair Lucas introduced Dr. Shepard to review the following information only items:

- Finance Budget Update – (Addendum D)
- Enrollment and Budget Projections for 2008-09 – (Addendum E)
- Quality Review of FGCU’s Office of Internal Audit, and Internal Controls – Internal Audit Director Carol Slade – (Addendum F)

Action Items: - Dr. Shepard reviewed the following action items:

- Audited FGCU Financial Statements for 2006-07 (Addendum G) - Motion was made to approve the FGCU Financial Statements for 2006-07 by Trustee Starkey. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lester. Motion carried.
- Policy on Student Tuition Waivers (Addendum H) – Trustee Piepenbrink stated he felt these were excellent changes. Trustee Hart stated he believed it was important for us to have something in place for accountability. He referenced the Annual Report that dealt with the submission by the Office of Enrollment Management and requested we change the reporting authority to have each unit making the awards responsible for submitting the Annual Report to the UUAC to better follow State and Federal requirements. Dr. Shepard stated that would be appropriate. Trustee Hart moved approval of the Policy on Student Tuition Waivers with the amendment above. Motion was seconded by Trustee Villalobos. Trustee St. Hill stated that the Faculty
Senate has not seen this document and she would abstain from this vote. Trustee St. Hill stated she believed anything that has to do with the academic part of the institution should be presented to the faculty as a whole. Dr. Shepard stated that Dr. Savarese on the graduate side and Mr. Laviolette on the undergraduate side had reviewed the policy and historically, this was not a faculty senate item but that does not mean this should not be shared with the faculty. Dr. St. Hill stated that she believed if there is anything that has to do with any academic component, such as grade point averages and programs, it should go through the faculty. She further stated that while she does not see anything wrong, she cannot condone something that consists of information that impacts the academic components within the faculty’s roles and responsibilities. Trustee Starkey suggested we might conform the policy to reflect the amendment on accountability and then circulate to the Senate. President Bradshaw stated that there is no sense of urgency and he felt if we err, we should err in the direction of shared governance. He suggested the policy be brought back in June after the Faculty Senate has an opportunity to review it. Trustee Villalobos asked when this policy would take effect. Dr. Shepard stated the policy would take effect after this Board meeting and also that the waivers would be delayed. Trustee Piepenbrink stated that he disagreed with delaying the policy approval and felt these changes were overdue. President Bradshaw stated we have mechanisms in place so that deserving students won’t be negatively impacted by delaying this policy change. Trustee Malone stated he felt that if the administration felt it was important to bring before the Committee now and the faculty has expressed the desire to see it or be aware of it, they can do that. He stated if it is not in the Faculty Senate’s purview of approving this policy, then he does not feel this should be blocked. Trustee Hart withdrew his motion for approval. Trustee Lucas asked what the consensus was on this matter from the Board as a whole. Trustee Lucas stated the consensus of the Board is that we withhold this from approval at this point.

- 2008-09 Capital Improvement Fee Projects (Addendum I) - Motion was made by Trustee Hart to approve the 2008-09 Capital Improvement Fee Projects by Trustee Harrington. Motion was seconded by Trustee Starkey. Motion carried.

- Amendment to President’s Employment Agreement (Addendum J) – Motion was made by Trustee Hart to approve the Amendment to the President’s Employment Contract. Motion was seconded by Trustee Whitcomb. Motion carried.

- Delegation of Authority (Addendum K) – Motion was made by Trustee Whitcomb to approve the Delegation of Authority. Motion was seconded by Trustee Starkey. Motion carried.

10. Old Business – Vice Chair Larry Hart

There was no old business to come before the Board.

11. New Business – Vice Chair Larry Hart
Vice Chair Hart stated the next meeting will be June 17, 2008. Vice Chair Hart asked Ms. Evans to read a letter from Chair Lutgert (Addendum L) regarding the appointment of Trustee St. Cerny to the FGCU Financing Corporation Board of Directors and a letter of request from the Chair of the FGCU Financing Corporation requesting appointment of Trustee St. Cerny as a member.

President Bradshaw called attention to the brochure received by Trustees this morning describing the upcoming Celebration of Excellence on April 18 in the Alico Arena beginning at 3:00 p.m.

12. Chair’s Closing Remarks & Adjourn Meeting – Vice Chair Larry Hart

Vice Chair Hart thanked members for their attendance. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.
Addendums:

A. Minutes of January 15, 2008
B. Meeting Dates for 2008-09
C. Nomenclature Changes for Existing Curricula
D. Finance Budget Update
E. Enrollment Budget Projections for 2008-09
F. Quality Review of FGCU’s Office of Internal Audit and Internal Controls
G. Audited FGCU Financial Statements for 2006-07
H. Policy on Student Tuition Waivers
I. 2008-09 Capital Improvement Fee Projects
J. Amendment to President’s Employment Agreement
K. Delegation of Authority
L. Letter from Chair Lutgert: appointment of Trustee St. Cerny