

Minutes
Board of Trustees Meeting
University of Central Florida
November 09, 2005

Chairman Nunis called the meeting of the Board of Trustees to order in the Cape Florida Ballroom of the UCF Student Union at 1:00 p.m. The following members attended the meeting:

The Honorable Judith Albertson	The Honorable Phyllis Klock
The Honorable Willie Bentley, Jr.	The Honorable Tico Perez
The Honorable Olga Calvet	The Honorable Harris Rosen
The Honorable Manoj Chopra	The Honorable Conrad Santiago
The Honorable Patrick Christiansen	The Honorable Thomas Yochum

Chairman Nunis welcomed the members of the board and called on President John Hitt to share highlights of the special ceremony that had taken place earlier that morning and resulted in the signing of a joint resolution of the University of Central Florida Board of Trustees and the District Boards of Trustees of Brevard Community College, Lake-Sumter Community College, Seminole Community College, and Valencia Community College. President Hitt announced that the joint resolution committed all five partners to a regional strategy for higher education that would expand access, meet the extraordinary demands for growth, and provide for a competitive, skilled workforce in Central Florida (see Attachment A). He stated that the principles in the resolution provided the basis for joint strategic planning among all consortium partners in the coming months. Florida's Chancellor of Community Colleges, David Armstrong, congratulated President Hitt for his leadership in providing the partnership model and for creating opportunities for students to succeed.

Those present for the signing were:

State of Florida

J. David Armstrong, Jr., Chancellor of Community Colleges
Brevard Community College

Alberta K. Wilson, Chair, Board of Trustees

Thomas E. Gamble, President

Lake-Sumter Community College

Jacqueline V. Talley, Chair, Board of Trustees

Charles R. Mojock, President

Seminole Community College

Verdell Pugh, Chair, Board of Trustees

Valencia Community College

Jerry D. Buchanan, Chair, Board of Trustees

Sanford C. Shugart, President

Hitt thanked Chancellor Armstrong particularly for being present and for his support, and he acknowledged Provost Terry Hickey and Vice Provost for Regional Campuses, Dave Harrison, for their efforts on UCF's behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Deviating from the agenda, as the first order of business, Chair Nunis called on President Hitt to present the following item for the board's information:

- **BOT-4 – Update, College of Medicine Proposal** - On March 31, 2005, the UCF Board of Trustees accepted the MGT Medical School Feasibility Report and approved the preparation and submission of a proposal to the Florida Board of Governors requesting permission to establish a college of medicine at the University of Central Florida. President Hitt will submit the proposal for a UCF College of Medicine, which will offer a program in allopathic medicine, to the Florida Board of Governors at its November 17 meeting in Jacksonville. President Hitt announced that UCF has been working in partnership with Walt Disney World to assess the economic impact of the medical school on the statewide economy. He introduced Jerry Montgomery, Senior Vice President for Public Affairs at Walt Disney World, who announced that a well-known economic analyst from The Washington Economics Group, Inc., has been engaged to perform the economic impact analysis associated with the implementation of a college of medicine at the University of Central Florida. A preliminary report revealed the addition of 7,059 new jobs and \$571.7 million dollars in recurring impacts. A final report was to be submitted to the board for its review later in the day. In closing remarks, President Hitt shared a visual overview of the proposed medical center campus.

Chair Nunis welcomed the community members in the audience, adjourned the meeting, and called on Vice President, Chief of Staff, and Associate Corporate Secretary, Beth Barnes, to moderate the public hearing on the master plan amendment.

PUBLIC HEARING

Vice President Barnes introduced Vice President William Merck, who made a presentation on the University of Central Florida Master Plan Amendment. Highlights of his presentation included the football stadium amendment process, the outreach program, the focus of the amendment, a traffic and parking study, the addition of the stadium to the capital improvement list, the location of the stadium amendment archive on the Web, location impact study comparisons, and highlights from The Johnson Study that analyzed noise, lighting, property value, and sightline impacts.

Following Merck's presentation, members of the community were invited to comment on the master plan amendment, which included the UCF football stadium. Approximately 200 people were in attendance. Forty-four community members spoke, resulting in thirty-three speaking for the stadium on the north location and eleven speaking against the stadium in that location. In addition to the above mentioned community members, Vice President for Student Development and Enrollment Services, Maribeth Ehasz, introduced Arianne Buchanan, Student Director of Campus Life, who brought UCF student body concerns regarding the location of the football stadium on the southern portion of the campus, which would result in limitations on intramural playing fields.

Chair Nunis reconvened the board meeting and called upon Trustee Conrad Santiago.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Because the master plan amendment must be approved by the UCF Board of Trustees, Trustee Santiago, chair of the Finance Committee, submitted the following item:

- **FIN-1 – Amendments to 2005 Campus Master Plan** – The location of the proposed on-campus football stadium construction is currently designated as *Recreation and Open Space*. Adoption of the amendments will allow the university to construct the stadium and associated infrastructure on the site, subject to final board approval of the stadium financing. A motion passed approving amendments to the 2005 University of Central Florida campus master plan as follows:
 - add Policy 1.2.8 to the *Recreation and Open Space Element*, which provides for a football stadium on lands in the northern portion of the UCF main campus, in the area generally bounded by Orion Boulevard to the east and McCulloch Road to the north
 - add the football stadium to the capital improvements list in the *Capital Improvements Element*
 - add the football stadium and associated surface parking to *Urban Design Element* Figure 3-1, entitled *Urban Design/Capital Improvements*, to show the general location of the proposed structure
 - add the football stadium and associated surface parking to *Transportation Element* Figure 2.11-13, entitled *Existing and Planned Parking Structures*, to show the general location of the proposed surface parking

A second motion passed unanimously approving the construction of the stadium subject to the board's review and approval of the financing package. A workshop is tentatively scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on December 14 to review the financials of this plan.

These approved motions give President Hitt and the UCF Foundation the go-ahead to begin fundraising. Trustee Yochum recognized Merck and his staff for their outstanding work on this project. He commented, “The support of this stadium initiative is essential to the future life of UCF and this campus.”

“This will be a better campus with a stadium,” Chair Nunis remarked.

There were no other items to bring before the board on behalf of the Finance Committee.

MINUTES

Chair Nunis called for approval of the minutes of the September 22, 2005, meeting and the August 25, 2005, telephone conference call meeting. The minutes were approved as written.

INTRODUCTIONS:

President Hitt recognized and congratulated Vice President for Marketing, Communications, and Admissions, Tom Huddleston, who was named the Distinguished Alumnus of Texas A&M University-Commerce. Each year, he explained, accomplished A&M-Commerce alumni who have distinguished themselves in many walks of life and provided inspirational leadership are honored during a reception at the university’s homecoming.

REPORTS:

President Hitt continued the business meeting by introducing the following report:

UCF Alcohol Task Force – Taskforce Chair, Al Harms, reported that the task force was established September 26, 2005, by President Hitt, to review alcohol use and tailgating policies at UCF-sponsored events and to ensure security and a positive experience for all attendees. The task force was charged initially with providing recommendations for changes before UCF’s October 8, 2005, home football game at the Citrus Bowl and includes UCF students, faculty, and administrators, and representatives from several area law enforcement agencies, the Golden Knights Club, and the Orlando Centroplex, which includes the Citrus Bowl. The group will continue to discuss and develop more comprehensive policies to govern alcohol use at all university activities. The focus of their efforts is on education, awareness, appropriate alternatives, and accountability. Harms thanked Trustees Bentley, Chopra, and Klock for their involvement with the task force and concluded by saying “the majority of UCF students are alcohol-responsible.”

ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE:

There being no other items to bring before the board for approval, Trustee Patrick Christiansen, chair of the Advancement Committee, called for approval of the September 22, 2005, minutes of the Advancement Committee. The minutes were approved as written.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE:

Trustee Judy Albertson, chair of the Educational Programs Committee, discussed the following committee items for information only:

- **EP-1 – Establishment of a College of Arts and Humanities and a College of Sciences**– The College of Arts and Sciences will be divided to form the College of Arts and Humanities and the College of Sciences, effective immediately. The College of Arts and Humanities will have two divisions: Visual and Performing Arts, which will include the departments of Art, Music, Theatre, and the School of Film and Digital Media; and Humanities, which will include the departments of English, History, Modern Languages and Literatures, Philosophy, and Liberal and Interdisciplinary Studies. Arts and Sciences Dean, Kathryn Seidel, will become dean of the College of Arts and Humanities.

The College of Sciences will have the divisions of Natural Sciences, with the departments of Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics, Statistics and Actuarial Science, and Social and Behavioral Sciences, with the departments of Political Science, Psychology, Sociology and Anthropology, and the Nicholson School of Communication. Dr. Peter Panousis, head of UCF's Institute for Economic Competitiveness since 2003, was named interim dean of the College of Sciences. A national search is underway for a permanent dean.

Vice President for Student Development and Enrollment Services, Maribeth Ehasz, gave a presentation on *Building Collaborative Partnerships that Empower Students to Succeed*. This year, the Division of Student Development and Enrollment Services (SDES) underwent a major reorganization and is now comprised of four main units: Academic Development and Retention, Campus Life, Assessment and Planning, and Administrative Services. Since the reorganization, SDES has focused on developing its vision of "Empowering Students to Succeed" both in and outside of the classroom. Its focus remains on transition, support services, and personal growth of students. The mission of SDES is to be UCF's leader in providing quality programs, services, and learning environments that provide

opportunities for students to discover and define personal ethical standards, purpose and excellence, strengthen life skills that promote and support success in learning, foster student engagement in a diverse community, and promote successful progression to graduation.

Associate Vice President for Planning and Evaluation for Academic Affairs, Denise Young, gave a brief update on the SACS activities and reminded the board members that an interest survey will be distributed requesting their input for topics to be discussed at future committee meetings.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Chair Nunis called on President Hitt to discuss the following items for board approval:

- **BOT-1 – Resolution in Honor of Officer Mario R. Jenkins 1976-2005** – A motion passed approving a resolution honoring Officer Mario R. Jenkins. The University of Central Florida wishes to honor the memory of Officer Jenkins for his exemplary and honorable service to the university community (see Attachment B). In addition, a second motion unanimously passed approving the naming of a public safety building to be built within the UCF football stadium in honor of Officer Jenkins.
- **BOT-2 – Conferral of Degrees** – A motion passed approving the conferral of degrees at the Fall 2005 commencement ceremonies. UCF expects to award the following degrees at ceremonies on December 12 and 13:

2,698 Baccalaureate Degrees
574 Master's Degrees
105 Doctoral and Specialist Degrees
3,377 Total

- **BOT-3 – Governor of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Anibal Acevedo Vila Honorary Doctorate** – A motion passed approving an Honorary Doctorate in Public Service for Anibal Acevedo Vila, Governor of Puerto Rico. UCF wishes to recognize Governor Acevedo Vila for his distinguished public service, both here and in Puerto Rico, and for his fostering of partnerships between Puerto Rico and Central Florida. During his distinguished career, he has established an impressive record of service and achievement and is most deserving of such recognition. The degree will be conferred at Orlando's 2nd Annual Hispanic Summit in March 2006.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Nunis reminded the board of the workshop scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on December 14 to discuss the financials for the football stadium plan. In addition, he urged their attendance at the November 17 meeting of the Florida Board of Governors in Jacksonville and announced that a bus had been arranged for 7:00 a.m. on Thursday and would be leaving from the Burnett House. He reminded the board that the next meeting was January 26 and wished them happy holidays.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: _____ Date: _____

John C. Hitt
Corporate Secretary