MINUTES
Educational Programs Committee
University of Central Florida
Board of Trustees
May 3, 2016, 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
President’s Boardroom, Millican Hall, 3rd floor
Conference call-in phone #800-442-5794, passcode 463796

CALL TO ORDER
Trustee Robert Garvy, chair of the Educational Programs Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Committee members Keith Koons and Cait Zona were present. Also present was trustee David Walsh. Board Chairman Marcos Marchena and trustee Ray Gilley attended via teleconference.

NEW BUSINESS
General Education Program Workshop
Dale Whittaker, Provost and Executive Vice President, expressed his appreciation to the UCF Board of Trustees for devoting a workshop to discuss the general education program. He stated that general education is the foundation of a high-quality education, weaving together broad knowledge in foundational areas, in-depth understanding in a specific area of study, and relevant experiences outside of the classroom. Students gain real-world skills including communication, critical thinking, and problem-solving that position them for success after graduation.

Whittaker introduced Elizabeth Dooley, Dean of the College of Undergraduate Studies and Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning, who presented an overview of the legislative and UCF general education requirements, examples of UCF’s instruction and high-impact learning practices, and how UCF measures outcomes.

Workshop participants included
• Michael Aldarondo-Jeffries, Director, Academic Advancement Programs
• Paige Borden, Associate Provost for Academic Program Quality and Associate Vice President for Institutional Knowledge Management
• Chris Clemente, 2015-16 President, Student Government Association
• Amy Darty, Associate Instructor, Online Specialist, GEP Coordinator and GEP Assessment, Department of History
• Lynn Hepner, Associate Dean, College of Arts and Humanities
• Patrice Lancey, Assistant Vice President, Operational Excellence and Assessment Support
• Heath Martin, Interim Associate Dean, College of Undergraduate Studies
• Stephanie Vie, Associate Professor and Interim Chair, Department of Writing and Rhetoric
• Caitlyn Zona, 2014-15 President, Student Government Association
A question was raised regarding how UCF prepares its students to handle their personal finances. Whittaker and Maribeth Ehasz, Vice President for Student Development and Enrollment Services, will coordinate a review of the personal finance services UCF offers and report back to the committee.

Trustee Garvy adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:  

A. Dale Whittaker  
Provost and Executive Vice President

5-16-16  
Date