



UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

Board of Trustees
Governance Committee Meeting
August 12, 2020
Virtual Meeting

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Alex Martins, vice chair of the Governance Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Committee members Ken Bradley, Joseph Harrington, and Sabrina La Rosa attended via video conference. Chair Seay attended via video conference and Trustees Joseph Conte and David Walsh also attended.

MINUTES

The minutes from the June 17, 2020 Governance Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

NEW BUSINESS

Update on Title IX Regulations (INFO-1)

Youndy Cook, Senior Deputy General Counsel, updated the committee on the university's response to the recently adopted U.S. Department of Education Title IX regulations. The new regulations require schools to adopt a detailed procedure to address sexual harassment claims by August 14th, 2020. Cook briefly explained the purpose of Title IX and the process by which the laws were revised. Existing university regulations will have to be revised to meet these new requirements. Due to the short timeframe given to comply, these regulation changes will initially be done through the emergency regulation process, as suggested by the Board of Governors. The emergency regulations become effective immediately upon posting, which will be completed by the close of business August 13, 2020. The regulations affected will then go through the normal regulation development procedure and will be presented at the next committee meeting for approval. Cook explained the emergency regulation process in response to Trustee Bradley's inquiry. Trustee Harrington expressed concern with messaging for both students and employees. President Cartwright responded that the university will communicate what the current laws are and that we intend to comply with them.

Amendments to University Regulation UCF- 2.032 Textbook Adoption (GOVC-1)

Youndy Cook, Senior Deputy General Counsel, asked the committee to approve proposed amendments to regulation UCF-2.032 Textbook Adoption. The purpose of this regulation is to help make textbooks and other instructional more affordable for and available to students. This regulation is based upon Board of

Governors Regulation 8.003, which is in turn based upon Florida Statute s. 1004.085. These amendments are proposed to conform UCF's regulation to both the BOG regulation and the statute. Updates include clarifying that selections of textbooks and other instructional materials is a faculty responsibility but should be done through the help of institutional initiatives to assess costs and benefits.

Two comments were received when this regulation was initially posted, both by faculty members. Revisions were incorporated to address their concerns and then the regulation was reposted for additional public comment. No other comments were received. Trustee Bradley commented that the Education Programs Committee supports these changes and any efforts to make textbooks more affordable for the students. Trustee Harrington made comments that faculty may be burdened to comply with these requirements. Melody Bowden, Associate Vice Provost of Student Learning and Academic Success commented on those concerns, emphasizing that institution-level initiatives will serve to help achieve the goals of this regulation. Trustee Bradley made a motion to approve the proposed regulation amendments and Trustee La Rosa seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Delegation of Authority to the President (INFO-2)

Scott Cole presented the Delegation of Authority to the President. He asked trustees to submit any proposed changes by September 16, 2020. This item will come back to the committee for approval at the next committee meeting in October.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 a.m.

Reviewed by:

Bill Yeargin
Chair, Governance Committee

Date

Respectfully submitted:

Janet Owen
Associate Corporate Secretary

Date