



Florida SouthWestern State College
Board of Trustees
Institutional Advancement & Policy Committee of the Board of Trustees
Tuesday, November 18, 2014
1:15 – 3:00
Charlotte Campus
O-116
Minutes

The Policy and Legal Affairs Committee met in Charlotte, Florida, on November 18, 2014, at 1:15 p.m.

Present: Chris Vernon
Marjorie Starnes-Bilotti

Brian G. Chapman, Jr.

Other: Mark Lupe
Lou Traina
Bob Jones

Teresa Morgenstern
Valerie Miller
Justine Lewis (Recorder)

Introduction:

Mr. Lupe welcomed all to the committee meeting.

Public Comment:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Ms. Starnes-Bilotti moved that the minutes from the September 23, 2014 meetings be approved as presented, Mr. Vernon seconded.

Old Business

The topic of a student representative at Board of Trustee meetings was discussed. Mr. Lupe reviewed the discussion which had taken place at the September 23, 2014 meeting regarding the presence of a student representation at the Board of Trustee meetings. The Committee decided that since this position will be as a student representative/liaison and not a voting member of the Board of Trustees, there would be a need to ascertain whether there is an actual interest before taking a recommendation to the full board.

Mr. Vernon has asked that Mr. Lupe approach the Student Government Association to find out if there is interest and to prepare information on what the duties and responsibilities of this position would entail.

This item has been tabled until the board hears back from Mr. Lupe and if there is actual interest from the student body before presenting this to the full board.

Action Items

Policy 6Hx6:1.05 – Edison State College Financing Corporation

Discussion of an amendment to the policy to change the title of “The District President” to “The President”, and to eliminate “operate or administer contracts for auxiliary enterprises” as a DSO function. Mr. Vernon moved to accept the changes to the policy, was seconded by Mrs. Starnes-Bilotti. Mr. Vernon would present the changes at the November 18, 2014 meeting.

Policy 6Hx6:2.07 – Campus Violence Prevention

Mr. Lupe presented the proposed changes to the policy, Campus Violence Prevention. The changes will simplify the policy and give the President authority to make procedural changes through the College Operating Procedure (COP) and align it with current Florida law regarding weapons on campus. Mrs. Starnes-Bilotti moved to accept the changes to the policy, seconded by Mr. Chapman. Mr. Vernon would present the changes at the November 18, 2014 meeting.

Information Only

Mr. Lupe discussed the update and revision of Board Policy 6Hx6:1.06, Investment Policy with recommendations from Public Finance Management (PFM) and Dr. Doeble. Since this policy is complex, Mr. Lupe wanted to present it to the Committee today and give the opportunity for questions.

The Committee would like Dr. Doeble to prepare a presentation for the full board at the January 2015 meeting that would clarify the following: if these changes would be statutorily permissible, what is the dollar amount that is being considered, anticipated risk vs. return, and could it be presented in a different format. Mr. Lupe will meet with Dr. Doeble to discuss.

Mr. Lupe presented and update on agenda item eight, the Status of RFQ 14-01; Professional Architect/Engineer Services for a Student Recreation and Athletic Facility. The architects selected were Harvard Jolly Architects. Discussed the two step process that is being taken with the conceptual designs that will be presented to the Board at the January 2015 meeting.

Mr. Lupe gave a brief update on several legal issues the College which is currently being handled in the Office of General Counsel. He also gave a handout of the schedule of updating the Board of Trustee Policies. At the next three meeting the committee will be presented with policies that require updating.

Mr. Traina provided an update on the Foundation. Mr. Traina reviewed the relocation of Foundation offices, the annual giving program and monthly events, and the student recreation and sports facility.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Member
District Board of Trustees

Date