New College of Florida Board of Trustees Zoom Minutes for July 6, 2023

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:06 p.m. and a quorum was established.

Trustees Present: Debra A. Jenks (Chair), Ron Christaldi (Vice Chair), Ryan Anderson, Mark Bauerlein, Joe Jacquot, Lance Karp, Grace Keenan, Charles Kesler, Sarah Mackie, Amy Reid, Christopher Rufo, Mary Ruiz, and Matthew Spalding.

Acknowledgment of Notice of Meeting

Interim Chief of Staff and Associate Vice President of Government Relations Christie Fitz-Patrick confirmed the meeting had been duly noticed.

Call for Public Comment

Public comment process ensued. The following members of the public provided comments: Mike Sanderson; Amanda Gilliland; Kathleen Coty; Jeanine Ashforth; Eliana Salzhauer; Sara Engels; Elizabeth Albiez; Betsy Braden; Jens Albeiz; Bruce Benidt; Myranda Pierce; Madison Markham.

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda was presented and a request was made by Chair Jenks that it be approved.

Consent agenda action items approved were as follows:

- Approve Minutes of the June 1, 2023, BOT Meeting
- Approve Minutes of the June 16, 2023, Special BOT Meeting
- 2023-2024 Internal Audit Plan

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Vice Chair Ron Christaldi, seconded by Trustee Karp, and was approved unanimously.

President's Report

Interim President Richard Corcoran provided his remarks.

Trustee Reid requested to make a motion to compel the Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee to call for the confirmation of an upcoming meeting, seconded by Trustee Keenan.

After lengthy discussion, Trustee Spalding moved to table the motion based on lack of clarity, seconded by Trustee Karp, approved with 8 voting yes, 5 voting no.

Presidential Search Committee

Chair Jenks requested Matthew Spalding, Chair of Search Committee and NCF Trustee discuss the Total Compensation Analysis that was presented by the Mercer Team at the Presidential Search Committee meeting on July 5, 2023 and give a brief overview of what was discussed and the action taken by the Search Committee.

After a discussion ensued, a motion was made by Trustee Kesler to move to approve the Base Salary and Total Compensation Range, seconded by Trustee Christaldi, and a roll call vote was taken and approved with 11 voting yes and 2 voting no.

Legislative Budget Request

Chair Jenks requested Chris Kinsley, Vice President Finance & Administration to provide an overview of the two proposed legislative budget requests.

After a discussion ensued, Chair Jenks directed the removal of paragraph one of the narrative in the Freedom Institute request along with correcting any citations and/or technical errors. A motion was made by Trustee Karp to move to approve the 2024-25 Legislative Budget Requests, seconded by Trustee Rufo, and a roll call vote was taken and approved with 10 voting yes, 2 voting no, and 1 not present.

New Business

No new business was presented.

Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christie Fitz-Patrick
Interim Chief of Staff and
Associate Vice President of Government Relations