

**New College of Florida Board of Trustees
Sudakoff Conference Center
Minutes for December 11, 2023**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. and a quorum was established.

Trustees Present: Debra A. Jenks (Chair), Ron Christaldi (Vice Chair), Ryan Anderson, Mark Bauerlein, Lance Karp, Grace Keenan, Charles Kesler, Sarah Mackie, Christopher Rufo, Amy Reid, Don Patterson, and Matthew Spalding. Not present: Joe Jacquot

Acknowledgment of Notice of Meeting

Chief of Staff 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, Eliana Salzhauer, Juliana Paré-Blagoev, Jono Miller, Robin Williams, Betsy Braden.

Consent Agenda

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

ACTION ITEMS

- Approve Minutes for the November 6, 2023 BOT Meeting
- Approve Minutes for the October 20, 2023 BOT Meeting
- Approval of incoming New College of Florida Foundation, Inc Board of Director

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

- Board of Trustees Committee Assignments

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Trustee Karp, seconded by Trustee Spalding and was approved by voice unanimously.

President's Report

President Richard Corcoran shared his remarks.

Karl Bernhard of Sweet Sparkman Architecture presented the winning design for the Reimagining Pei Challenge.

Student Housing

Chair Jenks requested David Rancourt, Vice President of Enrollment Management & Students Services to present the student housing contract.

Questions and a discussion ensued. Trustee Reid raised questions regarding the length of the contract and the funding for the housing.

Chair Jenks called for a motion to authorize New College of Florida President to enter into a student housing contract for Spring 2024, was moved by Vice Chair Christaldi, seconded by Trustee Spalding, and approved with Trustees Bauerlein, Karp, Keenan, Kesler, Mackie, Patterson, Rufo, Spalding, Jenks, and Christaldi voting yes and Reid voting no.

Sarasota Bradenton International Airport Agreement

Chair Jenks requested Bill Galvano, General Counsel to present the proposed purchase and sale of the Sarasota Bradenton International Airport property currently leased by NCF.

Trustee Christaldi disclosed to Counsel Galvano that Sarasota Airport has been a client of his firm in the past.

Questions and a discussion ensued.

Airport CEO, Rick Piccolo, addressed the Board in support of the proposed purchase and sale.

Chair Jenks called for a motion to approve the Initial Terms for the purchase of the Sarasota Bradenton International Airport property by New College of Florida for the purchase price of \$11.5 million. It was moved by Vice Chair Christaldi, seconded by Trustee Bauerlein and approved with Trustees Bauerlein, Karp, Keenan Kessler, Mackie, Patterson, Reid, Rufo, Spalding, Jenks, and Christalidi voting yes.

Update on 9 Acre Manatee Parcel

Chair Jenks requested Bill Galvano, General Counsel to present the update on the 9 Acre Manatee Parcel. Counsel Galvano advised that the formal agreements were under legal review by Manatee County.

Update on Classical Online Liberal Arts Degree

Chair Jenks requested Brad Thiessen, Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost and Nathan Allen, Vice President of Communications & Special Projects to present the update on Classical Online Liberal Arts Degree.

New Business

General Counsel Bill Galvano stated that a shade meeting was no longer needed. Chair Jenks called upon him to share some legal updates. Counsel Galvano provided updates to the Board on several ongoing cases.

Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christie Fitz-Patrick
Chief of Staff/ BOT Liaison