

**New College of Florida Board of Trustees
Sudakoff Conference Center
Minutes for June 1, 2023**

Prayer

Campus Minister Dwight Henry, New College of Florida conducted the prayer.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Debra A. Jenks started the pledge.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 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.

Chair Debra A. Jenks welcomed the two new trustees, Joe Jacquot and Amy Reid.

Call for Public Comment

Public comment process ensued. The following members of the public provided comments: Alisa Mitchell; David Land; Rodrigo Diez; Mike Sanderson; Kathleen Coty; Julie Morris; Jeanine Ashforth; Gary Howell; Shari Gorman; Liz Albiez; Jens Albeiz; Sarah Engels; Betsy Braden; Michael Penney; Melanie Hubbard; Alana Penney.

Consent Agenda

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

The following consent agenda items were removed at the request of Trustee Keenan:

- Approve Minutes of the April 26, 2023, BOT Meeting
- Approval of 2023/24 Preliminary Operating Budget

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

Consent agenda action items approved were as follows:

- Approval of Metz Culinary Management Purchase Order
- Approval of New College Development Corporation Budget for 2023/24

President's Report

Interim President Richard Corcoran provided his remarks.

Regular Business

Chair Jenks introduced the following two items as regular business:

- Approve Minutes of the April 26, 2023, BOT Meeting
 - Trustee Keenan requested that the section regarding the direction of the curriculum be removed from the minutes.

Following discussion, the April 26, 2023 BOT Meeting Minutes with changes were approved unanimously.

- Approval of 2023/24 Preliminary Operating Budget
 - Trustee Reid raised several concerns with a few errors on the 2023/24 Preliminary Operating Budget.
 - Chris Kinsley was informed and corrected the proposed errors. Errors found were from the previous year and added to the current budget. These have been adjusted.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Mackie to approve the 2023/24 Preliminary Operating Budget, seconded by Trustee Ruiz, and was approved unanimously.

Capital Improvement Updates

Chair Jenks requested Chris Kinsley, VP Finance and Administration to present the 2024-25 Legislative Budget Request (LBR) for Fixed Capital Outlay and discuss the Summer Renovations for the Palmer Buildings and Reichert/Knight House. Questions were received from the Board.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Karp to approve the 2024-25 Legislative Budget Request (LBR) for Fixed Capital Outlay, seconded by Trustee Ruiz, and was approved unanimously.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Christaldi to approve the Summer Renovations – Palmer Buildings and Reichert/Knight House, seconded by Trustee Ruiz, and was approved with 11 voting yes and 2 voting no.

Collective Bargaining Agreements

Chair Jenks requested Erika Worthy, Chief Human Resource Officer, to discuss tentative collective bargaining agreements.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Ruiz to approve the Ratification of Updated Collective Bargaining Agreement between New College of Florida and the United Faculty of Florida, and the Ratification of Updated Collective Bargaining Agreement between New College of Florida and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, seconded by Trustee Christaldi and was approved unanimously.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Ruiz to approve the Recommendation for Changes to Salary and Benefits for Out-of-Unit Employees, seconded by Trustee Christaldi, and was approved unanimously.

Presidential Search Committee

Chair Jenks requested Matthew Spalding, Chair of Search Committee and NCF Trustee to discuss the Approval of Position Criteria and Compensation Analysis and Review of Marketing Plan by Presidential Search Committee. Trustee Spalding informed the board that the Compensation Analysis is not currently ready for presentation and will be taken off of the agenda until further notice.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Reid to amend the Position Criteria presented by the Presidential Search Committee, to direct the chair of the search committee to make revisions to streamline the description for grammar at his discretion, including adding to paragraph three a brief sentence that emphasizes the distinct nature of the NCF academic program, that is individual contracts, no grades, narrative evaluations, thesis, and ISPs, seconded by Trustee Keenan, and was approved unanimously.

New College of Florida Mascot

Chair Jenks requested Richard Corcoran, Interim President to introduce the proposal for the approval of The Might Banyans as the New College of Florida new mascot.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Keenan to approve the Mighty Banyans as New College of Florida Mascot as solely an athletic mascot, seconded by Trustee Reid and a roll call vote was taken with 3 voting yes and 10 voting no.

A motion was made to table the discussion of the Mighty Banyans as the official mascot until Fall when the students are back on campus by Trustee Reid, seconded by Trustee Keenan, and a voice vote was taken and the motion failed.

A motion was made to adopt the Mighty Banyans as the official mascot by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Karp, and was approved with 11 voting yes and 2 voting no.

New Business

No new business.

Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned 5:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christie Fitz-Patrick
Interim Chief of Staff and BOT Liaison