

MINUTES
STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA
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Governor Michael Long, Vice Chair, convened the meeting of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee at 5:04 p.m. Members present were Joseph Caruncho, Patricia Frost, Tom Kuntz, Gerard Robinson, Gus Stavros, and Rick Yost.

1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

Governor Long called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Minutes from January 18, 2012

Ms. Frost moved that the Committee approve the minutes of the meeting held January 18, 2012 as presented. Dr. Yost seconded the motion, and members of the Committee concurred.

3. Academic Program Authorization

Governor Long commented that in 2011 the Board amended the regulation for new academic program approval (8.011) and also promulgated a new regulation on academic program coordination (8.004). Because there are a number of new members on the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, he asked Board staff to provide a brief overview on the Board regulations governing academic programs and the types of action items the Committee can expect to see coming before it for consideration. The following key points were made in the presentation.

The Board of Governors can expect to consider the following academic program items for approval:

- New degree proposals for doctoral programs (research and professional)
- Termination of doctoral programs (research and professional)
- Substantive revisions to existing doctoral programs
- Exceptions to 120 credit hours to degree for baccalaureate programs
- Limited Access Status for baccalaureate programs

The Board of Governors has delegated to university boards of trustees the authority to approve the following academic program items:

- Implement or terminate bachelor's, master's, and specialists degrees
- All items coming forward to the Board of Governors for final approval
- Other curricular offerings (majors, concentrations, certificates, etc.)

Board Regulation 8.011, Authorization of New Academic Degree Programs and Other Curricula Offerings, was amended on 03/24/11 to strengthen criteria regarding need and demand and unwarranted duplication of programs. The State University System Academic Program Inventory is also created by the regulation to ensure uniform data reporting

Board Regulation 8.012, Academic Program Termination, establishes termination criteria and authority, and mitigates any adverse impact on diversity.

Board Regulation 8.013, Limited Access, protects against unnecessary restrictions on admission and facilitates statewide articulation.

Board Regulation 8.014, Bachelor's Degree Exceptions to 120 Credit Hours Requirement, reduces state cost by preventing unnecessary program length and facilitates statewide articulation.

Board Regulation 8.004, Academic Program Coordination, created as a new regulation on 11/10/11 facilitates collaboration, articulation, and coordination across the State University System through an annual review of current and proposed new programs or terminations.

During the discussion, Chancellor Brogan emphasized the importance of the new degree approval process for all programs to guard against unwarranted duplication and promote collaborations among universities.

4. Bachelor of Music Education, Florida Gulf Coast University
Request for Exception to 120 Credit Hours to Degree

Governor Long introduced requests from Florida Gulf Coast University for an exception to the 120 credit hours to degree requirement and limited access status for the Bachelor of Music Education (CIP 13.1312). The increase in credit hours is needed because the program includes 24 hours of professional education coursework required by the Florida Department of Education in addition to the coursework traditionally found in a baccalaureate degree program. Limited Access status is requested because the program is also a performing arts program and applicants must demonstrate through an audition that they possess the minimum skills necessary to benefit from the program. In addition, the National Association of Schools of Music, the accrediting body for music programs, requires that music programs have clearly identified audition procedures for entrance into music degree programs.

Ms. Frost made a motion that the Committee approve the request for exception to the 120 credit hours to degree for the Bachelor of Music Education, Florida Gulf Coast University, CIP 13.1312. Dr. Yost seconded the motion, and the Members of the Committee concurred.

5. Request for Limited Access Status

Ms. Frost made a motion that the Committee approve the request for limited access for the Bachelor of Music Education, Florida Gulf Coast University, CIP 13.1312. Dr. Yost seconded the motion, and the Members of the Committee concurred.

6. Student Affairs Updates

a. Council of Student Affairs

Dr. Maribeth Ehasz on behalf of the Council of Student Affairs provided an overview of the findings of a System-wide survey on anti-hazing policies and programs. A chart displaying summary information from the survey and recommendations from the Council were also provided for members to review. Discussion centered on the fact that the findings of this survey are intended for the use of all SUS institutions.

b. Florida Student Association

Governor Michael Long, Florida Student Association President, provided a brief update of Florida Student Association activities and plans for the remainder of the year.

7. Closing Remarks

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:32 p.m.