

### **AGENDA**

By Telephone Conference Call Tallahassee, Florida February 2, 2012 2:30 p.m.

Dial-in Number: 888-808-6959 Conference Code: 8502450

- 1. Call to Order Chair Dean Colson
- 2. Chancellor's Report Chancellor Frank T. Brogan
- 3. Renaming, Bob Johnson Hall, New College Chancellor Brogan
- 4. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment Chair Colson

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# STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

February 2, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Renaming, Bob Johnson Hall, New College

## **PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

Approval to rename Bob Johnson Hall on the campus of New College of Florida, to Gordon E. Michalson, Jr. Hall

# **AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution; Board Regulation 9.005, Naming of Buildings and Facilities

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Former Senator Bob Johnson, Chair of the New College of Florida Board of Trustees, has submitted a resolution from the Board of Trustees requesting that the Board of Governors authorize the renaming of Bob Johnson Hall to Gordon E. Michalson, Jr. Hall, to honor the years of outstanding service of President Michalson to New College of Florida. President Michalson's intent is to return to the faculty after a leave of absence.

Board Regulation 9.005, Naming of Buildings and Facilities, provides that naming of buildings and facilities is not allowed for an active State University System member, including staff, faculty, students, or trustees, and that exceptions require approval of the Board of Governors.

**Supporting Documentation Included:** Letter from Chair Johnson; Resolution;

Board Regulation 9.005,

Naming of Buildings and Facilities

**Facilitators/Presenters:** Chancellor Frank T. Brogan

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November 8, 2011

Chancellor Frank Brogan
The Board of Governors
Division of Colleges and Universities
325 West Gaines Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Dear Chancellor Brogan:

I am enclosing a resolution adopted by the New College of Florida Board of Trustees to rename Bob Johnson Hall on the New College campus, to that of Gordon E. Michalson, Jr.

This resolution was initiated at my request due to the fact that New College of Florida has dedicated the sculpture on the Koski Plaza of our new academic building to me and the Board wishes to honor Mike Michalson's outstanding years of service to New College of Florida.

I respectfully request this resolution be presented to the Board of Governors and approved so that President Michalson can be recognized at our next annual banquet which will be held February 11, 2012.

We would be honored to have you as our guest at that event to recognize President Michalson's outstanding service.

In the present political climate, maybe it's time for a new statewide higher education summit.

Best regards.

Bob-Johnson,

Chairman

RMJ/mmm

## RESOLUTION

Whereas, Gordon E. Michalson, Jr. has served as President of New College of Florida since July, 2001 and previously served as Dean and Warden of New College of the University of South Florida from 1992 to 1997, and

Whereas, Gordon E. Michalson, Jr. advanced from a teaching assistantship at Princeton University, to Assistant Professor at Davidson College and to Professor at Oberlin College prior to coming to New College, and

Whereas, Gordon E. Michalson, Jr. has served as President of the Florida Association of Colleges and Universities, on the Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, as President of the Southern University Conference, as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Leroy Collins Institute, and numerous other professional or public service boards, and

Whereas, Gordon E. Michalson, Jr. has received numerous fellowships and awards and is widely published as a scholar in religion, especially on the life and work of Immanuel Kant, and

Whereas, upon becoming President of New College of Florida, Gordon E. Michalson, Jr. assembled an outstanding team of academicians, financial and administrative support people who collectively have led New College of Florida to exceptional national recognition as a leader in liberal arts education and has led the effort, collectively with the administration, outstanding faculty and staff to produce the highest level of liberal arts graduates obtainable, and

Whereas, New College of Florida dedicated the Four Winds Sculpture to Senator Bob Johnson on April 15, 2011.

Now, therefore, the Board of Trustees of New College of Florida, joined by its Chairman, Senator Bob Johnson, does hereby request the State University System of Florida Board of Governors and the legislature of the State of Florida to redesignate that dormitory named "Bob Johnson Hall" to be named the Gordon E. Michalson, Jr. Hall.

This resolution is adopted this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2011.

New College of Florida

Attest / Ju

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Assistant Secretary

Senator Bob Johnson

Chairman

### 9.005 Naming of Buildings and Facilities.

The naming of any building, road, bridge, park, recreational complex, or other similar facility of a state university for individuals or groups who have made significant contributions to the university or the State of Florida is the prerogative and privilege of the State University System of Florida and is vested in the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors hereby delegates such approval authority to each university board of trustees provided that the board of trustees establishes procedures for the naming of such buildings and facilities to include the following elements:

- The naming of any building or facility must be approved by the board of trustees as a noticed, non-consent agenda item.
- Honorary naming for buildings and facilities is not allowed for an active State University System member, including staff, faculty, students, or trustees. Exceptions require Board of Governors approval.
- Gift-related naming of buildings or facilities requires a donation which makes a significant contribution to the cost of the building or facility as established by the board of trustees' policy.
- Non-gift related naming should be reserved for individuals who have made significant contributions to the university or to the State of Florida or to the fields of education, government, science or human betterment and who are of recognized accomplishment and character.

Authority: Section 7 (d), Art. IX, Fla. Const., History-Formerly 6C-9.005, 11-3-72, Amended 12-17-74, 8-11-85, Amended and Renumbered as 9.005, 3-27-08.

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