

# FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES HEALTH AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MINUTES September 1, 2016

# 1. Call to Order and Chair's Remarks

The Florida International University Board of Trustees' Health Affairs Committee meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Jose J. Armas at 9:51 am on Thursday, September 1, 2016, at the Modesto A. Maidique Campus, Graham Center Ballrooms.

The following attendance was recorded:

### Present

Jose J. Armas, *Chair*Justo L. Pozo, *Vice Chair*Jorge L. Arrizurieta
Leonard Boord
Michael G. Joseph

Board Chair Claudia Puig and Trustees Alian Collazo, Marc D. Sarnoff, and Kathleen L. Wilson, and University President Mark B. Rosenberg were also in attendance.

Committee Chair Armas welcomed all Trustees, University faculty and staff to the meeting.

# 2. Approval of Minutes

Committee Chair Armas requested the approval of minutes of the Health Affairs Committee meeting held on Wednesday, December 9, 2015. A motion was made and passed to approve the minutes of the Health Affairs Committee Meetings held on Wednesday, December 9, 2015.

# 3. Academic Health Center Reports

# 3.1 Course of Action for Passing Rates for National Council of Licensure Examination

Dean of the Nicole Wertheim College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Ora Strickland presented an update on the first time pass rates for students taking their respective licensure exams. She reported that over the past five years, for all disciplines except nursing, there has been a consistent rise in first time pass rates in licensure exams. She noted that the progress of initiatives established to increase first time pass rates cannot be immediately measured given that most programs take two to three

years to complete. She provided an overview of first time pass rates in terms of academic programs requiring licensure examinations within the College.

Dean Strickland noted that in addition to projected massive nurse staffing shortages, the nation's nursing schools are also facing a shortage of faculty members. She mentioned that attracting and retaining quality faculty is highly competitive, adding that experienced faculty and an adaptive curriculum to reflect the changing health care field are key to student success. She delineated other factors that impact first time pass rates, noting that non-traditional aged and foreign educated students have a greater likelihood of not performing as well on their first attempt.

Committee Chair Armas requested, for the next regularly scheduled meeting, a benchmark analysis of similar institutions, both public and private, that compares use of adjunct faculty, faculty to student ratio, and faculty salaries.

# 3.2 General Update

Dean and Senior Vice President for Health Affairs, John A. Rock, provided a status report on the impact of the Zika virus on South Florida. He stated that FIU is committed to responding to the growing concern and requested that Chief Executive Officer of the FIU Health Care Network; Dr. Eneida O. Roldan and Professor and Clinical Lab Director, Department of Medicine Dr. Aileen Marty further elaborate on the University's education and prevention efforts.

Dr. Roldan reported that a University-wide taskforce was established in order to raise awareness amongst the University community regarding the Zika virus. Professor Marty presented information on the history of the Zika virus, how it is transmitted, and also discussed recommended means of prevention.

Committee Chair Armas requested a follow-up report, for the next Health Affairs Committee meeting, that details the University's Zika awareness program and its implementation, along with information on communication efforts and access to care in terms of the student population.

**3.3** Integration of FIU Student Health Services (SHS) with the FIU Health Care Network Dr. Roldan reported that the estimated date of completion for construction is October 2016. She reported that SHS is now offering specialty care, such as dermatology and she reported that there has been an increase in women's health services, such as gynecology.

# 3.4 Benchmark Analysis of Student Health Services within the State University System

Dr. Roldan reported that the following metrics have been compared: student health fees; insurance mandate; eligibility; services offered; hours of operations; percentages of residential versus commuting students; and; an analysis of the 2015-16 FIU SHS. She reported that FIU's services had a utilization rate of 23% for the fiscal year 2015-16, representing an increase of 3% over the prior year despite disruptions such as the transition, integration of services, realignment, and construction.

Trustee Leonard Boord requested follow-up in terms of the student health fee comparative analysis in order to allow for further comprehensive benchmarking. For the next regularly scheduled Committee meeting, Committee Chair Armas requested a detailed budgetary analysis in terms of the

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University's health fee, the premium, allocations, and a historical benchmark on student access to health services. He requested information on next steps in terms of increasing access of care for students and substance abuse in relation to behavioral health services.

Trustee Collazo inquired as to student outreach efforts in terms of sharing information on new services provided by FIU Health. He stated that in his interactions with the student population, he has been made aware of a lack of awareness in relation to the available health services on campus. In response to Trustee Collazo's inquiry, Dr. Roldan added that since the integration, SHS clinical services have increased particularly in women's health and behavioral health. She noted that specialty care has been increased by adding dermatology services.

# 3.5 Overview of FIU Health Care Network Behavioral Services

Dr. Roldan reported that the University has welcomed a new Director of Behavioral Health Services. She mentioned that behavioral health services will focus on increasing and enhancing the therapeutic and psychiatric services that are offered.

# 4. Information Items

Committee Chair Armas requested that the reports within the Information Items be accepted as written. There were no objections.

### 5. New Business

No new business was raised.

# 6. Concluding Remarks and Adjournment

With no other business, Committee Chair Jose J. Armas adjourned the meeting of the Florida International University Board of Trustees Health Affairs Committee on Thursday, September 1, 2016 at 10:50 a.m.

Trustee Requests		Follow-up	Completion
			Date
1.	Committee Chair Armas requested a follow-up report, for the next Health Affairs Committee meeting, that details the University's Zika awareness program and its implementation, along with information on communication efforts and access to care in terms of the student population.	Chief Executive Officer, FIU Health Associate Dean, Eneida O. Roldan	December 1,2016
2.	Committee Chair Armas requested, for the next regularly scheduled meeting for Dean Strickland to provide a benchmark analysis of similar institutions, both public and private, that compares use of adjunct faculty, faculty to student ratio, and faculty salaries.	Dean of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Dr. Ora Strickland	December 1,2016

3.	Trustee Collazo inquired as to student outreach efforts in terms of sharing information on new services provided by FIU Health. He stated that in his interactions with the student population, he has been made aware of a lack of awareness in relation to the available health services on campus.	Chief Executive Officer, FIU Health Associate Dean, Eneida O. Roldan	December 1,2016
4.	Committee Chair Armas requested a detailed budgetary analysis in terms of the University's health fee, the premium, allocations, and a historical benchmark on student access to health services. He requested information on next steps in terms of increasing access of care for students and substance abuse in relation to behavioral health services.	Chief Executive Officer, FIU Health Associate Dean, Eneida O. Roldan	December 1,2016
5.	Committee Chair Armas requested for Dr. Eneida O. Roldan to provide an update on the integration of FIU Student Health Services with FIU Health Care Network.	Chief Executive Officer, FIU Health Associate Dean, Eneida O. Roldan	On-going

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