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Chair Goforth called the meeting to order. The first item on the agenda was the Regional Chancellor’s update. Dr. Wisniewska updated the Campus Board on the new Dean of the College of Education; the Dean search for the College of Arts and Sciences, and; Fundraising efforts, which exceeded the Unstoppable goal by 189%. She also provided an update on the new KTCOB Deans Advisory Board, and noted that USFSP is on target for enrollment – with about 4200 undergraduate students this fall.

David Thompson – Student Government Update (SGA)
Mr. Thompson reported the SGA is working on six long-term initiatives:
- On campus convenience store
- Extending library study hours
- Bringing athletics to campus
- Greek life
- Global culture living/learning experience

He then noted SGA projects that are coming to a close:
- Bike share will be up and running in September
- Sunscreen dispensers will be on campus this fall
- Fitness facility improvements - new TV monitors
- All leadership positions are filled and SGA will hold retreat soon

David also noted there will be a soft Opening of The Edge - Pool Party – Monday August 21 at 5:15
Board of Trustees Committees/BOT Update

Bob Churuti reported on the Strategic Initiatives Committee – the Committee heard a P3 presentation by Joe Trubacz. They had some suggestions and we’ll hear more from Joe today.

John Connelly reported on the Finance Committee – The Committee approved the 2017-18 Continuation Operating Budget, as well as the 2017-18 Preliminary Fixed Capital Outlay Budget.

DSO Financial Plans were also approved.

Lawrence Hamilton reported on the ACE Committee – noted 8 major items discussed:

Faculty Nominations for Tenure, which were approved by unanimous vote.

Tenure as a Condition of Employment for Dean Allyson Watson. This item was approved by a unanimous vote.

Proposed new USF Regulation 3.038: Academic Curricular Offerings – Vice Provost Theresa Chisolm explained that the new USF Regulation 3.038 was created to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Florida Board of Governors (BOG) Regulations 8.011: Authorization of New Academic Degree Programs and Other Curricular Offerings and 8.012: Academic Program Termination and Temporary Suspension of New Enrollments. The proposed new regulation will remove concentrations from graduate level diplomas and require collaboration and coordination with the Academic Program Advisory Council (APAC) and System Academic Leadership Council (SALC). A motion was made and seconded. The motion was approved by all committee members present.

Proposed Amendment to USF Regulation 6.028: Student Government Associations - This amendment ensures compliance with BOG Regulation 6.104, which mandates prior formal approval by the Board of Trustees for student government procedures, and other State University Institutions. A motion was made and seconded. The motion was approved by all committee members present.

Educational Plant Survey - Assistant Vice President Christopher Duffy presented the Educational Plant Survey mandated every five years by the BOG, and required for any requested project to receive first year PECO funding. A motion to approve, contingent upon additional information and alignment with the CIP, was made and seconded. The motion was approved by all committee members present.

Proposed Amendments to Campus Master Plan – Regional Vice Chancellor for Administrative and Financial Services Joe Trubacz presented the USFSP 2015-2025 Campus Master Plan Amendment 2. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.

2017-2018 Work Plan - USFSP - Regional Vice Chancellor Tadlock presented the USFSP plan. Approval of this item was tabled until further discussion by the full BOT.

USF System - System Provost Wilcox presented the combined System plan. A motion was made and seconded. The motion was approved by all committee members present.

Chair Goforth reported on Governance, Audit & Compliance, and the BOT – Audit and Compliance met and discussed the new charter that will allow the university to become compliant with new BOG
regulations. They also approved the compliance and ethics program; the work plan; walked through audit findings; and received an update on background clearances. The Governance Committee went through DSO legislation and pending legislation.

**Chair Goforth** also updated the Campus Board on the BOT meeting, noting that the BOT met and addressed all of the master plans and work plan for USFSP, which was approved. The BOT also heard an update on the System Strategic Plan. Chair Goforth noted the naming projects for USFSP were approved.

**Action Items:**

**Approval of the May 8, 2017 Campus Board Minutes**
The minutes from the May 8, 2017 Campus Board meeting were approved unanimously.

**Approval of the 2017-2018 Operating Budget**
**Joe Trubacz** provided an update on the operating budget. He reviewed the State Appropriations – capital outlay, operating, and performance based funding. He then reviewed the Education and General Revenue. Finally, he reviewed the overall budget noting about a $4M growth over the last year. Grants and contracts have grown.

The item was approved unanimously.

**Approval P3 Funding and Resolution**
**Joe Trubacz**, gave an overview of the project and funding, noting that the project meets all guidelines with NO EXCEPTIONS.

A growing housing demand has led to maximum occupancy in existing facilities. He also reviewed:
- rental rates, which are priced competitively with the existing system and comparable with those tested in a survey
- distributions,
- non-housing components of the project, including the dining program; conference center, and parking.
- risk/benefit associated with P3.

**Chair Stephanie Goforth** followed up with comments about the benefit of a P3. Lawrence Hamilton asked for clarification on where the developer gets its money.

**Joe Trubacz** explained that the Conference center will not be part of the debt service. Sodexo is contributing $5M in equity upfront for the buildout and an additional $600K for FF&E. They will be financially responsible for operations and provide a commission to USFSP.

He also addressed security concerns about conference attendees potentially wandering into student areas, noting that the elevators will be set up in such a way that security cards will be necessary to access certain floors.
David Thompson asked about the benefits of traditional meal plan vs current plan. Joe explained that the traditional meal card allows you to eat the entire semester, whereas the current plan has a limit.

Lawrence Hamilton asked about the conference center. Joe noted that Sodexo plans on bringing in clients from all over the world. If during the school year, participants will be housed at local hotels. It will also allow us to have regional conferences that we’ve not been able to host.

He then went over the recommendation to move forward with the 501c3 with subordinate EdR corporate debt. He reviewed the timeline and noted that we are on schedule.

Chair Goforth asked Joe Trubacz to provide the Board a synopsis of EdR’s profile. Joe explained that EdR is a national company that has built tens of thousands of beds over the years. They were one of 11 firms to submit proposals to USFSP. EdR was more flexible and had a better design – they are a strong company that has been around for a long time.

David Thompson asked about conferences and whether student affairs could use the facility. Joe explained that student use is definitely part of the mix.

The item was approved unanimously.

Information Items:
Dr. Bernardo Motta – Faculty Presentation – USFSP Neighborhood News;
Initiative started in 2001
Making a difference with journalism
Community-first approach – to tell the whole story
Embedded in the community – neighborhood news bureau at the Enoch Davis center
Lead the conversation – they publish with local media – TBT, WUSF, and Weekly Challenger
Use all media and all platforms
Sharing knowledge through K-12 programs
Partnerships/events/projects
Trying to build continuity and a community journalism research & innovation lab

Chair Goforth thanked Dr. Motta for his presentation.

With no further questions, the meeting adjourned.