

# FLORIDA **A&M** UNIVERSITY

## **Board of Trustees Governance Committee Minutes October 12, 2023**

Trustee Stone called the Governance Committee to order, and the following committee members were in attendance: Trustees John Crossman, Belvin Perry, Kenny Stone, and Nicole Washington. Trustees Michael White and Deveron Gibbons did not attend the meeting.

The committee approved the June 7, 2023, and September 6, 2023 minutes.

Trustee Stone reminded the Committee that they discussed President Robinson's annual evaluation during Part II of the Board Retreat the prior day. Trustee Crossman moved approval of the evaluation, and Trustee Perry seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Next, the committee approved extending President Robinson's contract through December 2024. The motion for approval was offered by Trustee Perry and was seconded by Trustee Washington. It passed unanimously.

Chair Lawson recommended that the committee support an 18% bonus for President Robinson, contingent upon the availability of funds. Trustee Perry moved approval of the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Trustee Crossman and was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Danielle McBeth, Director of Government Relations, provided pertinent information regarding establishing an Office of Public Policy Engagement within the Office of Government Relations. The motion for approval was offered by Trustee Washington and seconded by Trustee Perry. It was approved without opposition.

Next, Mrs. McBeth provided highlights regarding the Office of Government Relations. She shared the legislative calendar for 2023-2024 and informed the committee that President Robinson met with the Leon County delegation on October 5, 2023, regarding FAMU's Legislative Budget Request. Mrs. McBeth highlighted campus visits from the deputy assistant secretary of Health and Human Services and representatives from the Federal Aviation Administration.

Trustee Stone stated that President Robinson's goals, approved by the Committee on September 6, 2023, were on the Consent Agenda. There were no additional questions regarding the goals.

The Board of Trustees' election status was reviewed next. Trustee Stone stated that the candidates, as nominated during the June 2023 meeting, were Trustee Kristin Harper – chair and Trustee Deveron Gibbons – vice chair. Trustee Stone stated that he would forward the candidate list to the full Board and would also oversee the election.

The final agenda topic was a review of the Governance Committee action plan. Trustee Stone stated that the committee would plan continuing education activities for the Board during each meeting and host a legislative budget request workshop in May 2024.

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned.