

**Student Affairs Committee
November 16, 2023
Zoom Webinar
Minutes**

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Committee Meeting

9:48 a.m.

The public was provided with information to join this virtual public meeting on the UWF Board of Trustees website.

I. Call to Order

- A. The meeting of the UWF Board of Trustees Student Affairs Committee was called to order at 9:48 a.m. by committee Chair Alonzie Scott.

II. Roll Call

- A. Chair Scott asked Anna Lochas to conduct roll call. Trustees Alonzie Scott, Dick Baker, and Ariauna Range were in attendance.

- B. Other Trustees in attendance included:

1. Suzanne Lewis, Stephanie White, Jill Singer, Paul Hsu, Bob Sires, and Susan James.

C. Others in attendance included:

1. Martha Saunders, President; Gary Liguori, Provost & Senior Vice President; Gregory Tomso, Vice President of Academic Engagement & Student Affairs; Howard Reddy, Vice President of University Advancement; Betsy Bowers, Vice President of Finance and Administration; Dave Scott, Associate Vice President for Athletics; Jamie Sprague, Chief Human Resource Officer; Susan Woolf, General Counsel; Anamarie Mixson, Assistant Vice President for the Office of the President; Cindy Talbert, Chief Audit Executive; Matt Packard, Chief Compliance Officer; Michelle Williams, Vice Provost; Dan Lucas, Associate Vice President for Advancement; Jeffrey Djerlek, Associate Vice President of Finance and Controller; Christophe Lizen, Director of Institutional Research; Michael Wyatt, Assistant General Counsel; Aurora Osborn, Interim Director, Campus Culture and Access; Brittany Sherwood, Director of Strategic and Presidential Communication; Dacia Larin Assistant Vice President of Continuing Education; Dallas Snider, Chair, Department of Information Technology; Geissler Golding, Executive Director of ITS and CISO; James Adams, Director, Business and Auxiliary Services; Lauren Alidor, Internal Auditor; Mary Anderson, Dean of Students; Sandra Thomson, Director of IT Operations; Allan Pierce, Lead Help Desk Analyst; and Anna Lochas, BOT Liaison.

III. Greeting

- A. Chair Scott welcomed everyone to the meeting and noted that there was one action item and one information item on the Student Affairs Committee agenda.

IV. Public Comment

- A. Chair Scott opened the floor for public comment. There was none.

V. Approval of Minutes

- A. Chair Scott reminded the committee members that they had been given the opportunity ahead of time to review the minutes of the August 17, 2023, Student Affairs Committee Meeting. Chair Scott asked for a motion to approve the minutes as presented if there were no changes or corrections.
 1. Motion by: Trustee Baker
 2. Seconded by: Trustee Range
 3. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. New Business

A. Action Item

1. STU-1: Endorsement of the SUS Statement of Free Expression

- a. Chair Scott moved to the action item, which was presented by Aurora Osborn, Interim Director of the Office of Campus Culture and Access.
- b. Ms. Osborn explained that in 2019, the Board of Governors (BOG) and the twelve institutions comprising the State University System (SUS) adopted a statement of free expression which promotes full, open and civil discourse. Ms. Osborn further explained that in 2022, the BOG published its Civil Discourse Final Report, which reviewed best practices and presented seven recommendations to the SUS. Ms. Osborn identified that Recommendation III states that the leadership of each University Board of Trustees, Faculty Senate, and Student Government Association annually review and endorse the Board of Governors' Statement of Free Expression and commit to the principles of civil discourse.
- c. Chair Scott asked for motion to approve the endorsement of the State University System of Florida's Free Expression Statement?
 - i. Motion by: Trustee Range
 - ii. Seconded by: Trustee Baker
 - iii. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Information Item

1. INFO-1: Student Health and Wellbeing Update from the Dean of Students

- a. Chair Scott called on Dr. Mary Anderson, Associate Vice President and Dean of Students to present the information item. Dr. Anderson provided and update on student health and wellbeing.

VII. Announcements

- A. Chair Scott identified that all agenda items had been discussed. Chair Scott asked if the committee members had any additional business to discuss. No other business was discussed.

VIII. Adjournment

10:03 a.m.

- A. Chair Scott thanked those in attendance for their participation. With no other business to discuss, Chair Scott adjourned the meeting at 10:03 a.m.