

1 **FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY**
2 **PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

3 Friday, February 17, 2023

4 COHEN STUDENT UNION BALLROOM, ROOM #201
5 FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY
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7 **Minutes**

8 **Members:**

9 *Present:* Edward Morton – Chair; Grace Brannigan; Joseph Catti (virtual); Richard Eide; Joseph
10 Fogg (virtual); Gail Markham; Tina McCain Matte; Luis Rivera; Rebecca Totaro; Shelton Weeks;
11 Kristen Vanselow; and Charles Winton.

12 *Not Present:* Darlene Jordan.

13 **Others:**

14 *Staff:* Vice President and General Counsel Vee Leonard; Director of Board Relations Tiffany
15 Reynolds; Greenwood Asher & Associates Senior Executive Search Consultant Julie Schrodt; and
16 Greenwood Asher & Associates Vice President of Executive Search Jim Johnsen.

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18 **Item 1: Welcome and Opening Remarks**

19 Chair Edward Morton welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Roll call
20 was taken with 12 of 13 members present, thus meeting quorum requirements.
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22 **Item 2: Consent Agenda**

23 Chair Morton stated there was one item on the Consent Agenda: Minutes of the Committee's
24 meeting on January 31, 2023.

25 Mr. Richard Eide made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Dr. Rebecca Totaro seconded
26 the motion. There was no public comment or discussion. The vote was unanimous in favor of
27 the motion.
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29 **Item 3: Feedback from Listening Sessions**

30 Chair Morton stated that Greenwood Asher & Associates had conducted several virtual
31 listening sessions with various university stakeholders to gather feedback on the professional
32 and personal qualities desired of FGCU's next president. The feedback that was received will be

33 utilized by Greenwood Asher & Associates in seeking potential candidates. Ms. Julie Schrod
34 and Dr. Jim Johnsen provided an update on the feedback received during those sessions.

35 Dr. Johnsen said that they had received excellent feedback from the various constituents which
36 focused on the following five questions: (1) What do you think the new President must
37 accomplish in the next three to five years? (2) What are the most significant opportunities and
38 challenges the next President must address within the first two years? (3) What professional
39 experiences must the next President have to be a good match with the needs of the University
40 at this time? (4) What personal characteristics do you think the new President needs to have?
41 (5) What are your points of pride?

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43 **Item 4: Leadership Profile**

44 Ms. Schrod presented the Leadership Profile. Committee discussion included an alternative
45 paragraph to the DEI statement, including emerging HSI language, and data on how many
46 students work while attending school. The Committee took a brief recess to edit the alternative
47 paragraph.

48 Mr. Luis Rivera made a motion to approve the edited alternative paragraph for inclusion in the
49 Leadership Profile. Ms. Tina McCain Matte seconded the motion. There was no further
50 discussion or public comment. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

51 Mr. Joe Catti made a motion to approve the Leadership Profile and to recommend its final
52 approval by the FGCU Board of Trustees, subject to the incorporation of Committee feedback.
53 Ms. Grace Brannigan seconded the motion. There was no public comment, or further
54 discussion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

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56 **Item 5: Marketing Plan**

57 Ms. Schrod presented the Marketing Plan. Ms. Gail Markham made a motion to approve the
58 Marketing Plan and recommend its submittal to the FGCU Board of Trustees. Ms. Brannigan
59 seconded the motion. There was no public comment, or discussion. The vote was unanimous in
60 favor of the motion.

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62 **Item 6: Timeline**

63 Ms. Schrod presented the Timeline. Mr. Catti made a motion to approve the Timeline. Ms.
64 Markham seconded the motion. Discussion included editing some of the dates presented.

65 Mr. Catti amended his motion to approve the Timeline as amended and recommend its final
66 approval by the FGCU Board of Trustees. Dr. Shelton Weeks seconded the motion. There was
67 no public comment or further discussion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

68 **Item 7: Old Business**

69 There was no old business for discussion.

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71 **Item 8: New Business**

72 Discussion included requesting Greenwood Asher & Associates to provide the Committee with
73 the methodology by which to review applicant materials and for the selection of semi-finalists,
74 and to open the portal early so the Committee may have as much time as needed to review the
75 materials.

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77 **Item 9: Adjournment**

78 With no other business to come before the Committee, Chair Morton adjourned the meeting at
79 10:19 a.m.

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82 Minutes prepared by Director of Board Relations Tiffany Reynolds