



January 13, 2026
10:00 AM (EST)

Approved August 28, 2026

VIRTUAL MEETING

I. **Call to Order**

Committee Chair, Don Wilson, called the meeting of the Florida Polytechnic University Foundation Governance Committee to order at 10:00 AM.

II. **Roll Call**

Kim Kennedy called the roll: Committee Chair, Don Wilson, Kristen Lowers and Dr. Muhammad Rashid were present. Vice Chair, Ana Wood-Rogers, was also present (Quorum). University staff present were: Kim Kennedy, Executive Assistant – Development/Foundation; Kelli Stargel, Vice President of Strategic Initiatives, Development and External Relations; and Stephen Weingart, Chief Development Officer/Foundation CEO.

III. **Public Comment**

Kim Kennedy stated no requests for public comment were received.

IV. **Approval of Minutes**

Kristen Lowers motioned to approve the minutes of the Florida Polytechnic University Foundation Governance Committee meeting held October 21, 2025, as presented. Dr. Muhammad Rashid seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

V. **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Revisions Approval**

Foundation CEO, Stephen Weingart, presented an in-depth review of the proposed revisions to the MOU between the Foundation and Florida Polytechnic University. Discussion took place.

Kristen Lowers motioned to approve the proposed revisions to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Foundation and Florida Polytechnic University with two minor clerical edits. Dr. Muhammad Rashid seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

VI. **Bylaws Revisions Approval**

Foundation CEO, Stephen Weingart, presented a detailed review of the proposed revisions to the Foundation's Bylaws. Discussion took place.

Kristen Lowers motioned to approve the proposed revisions to the Foundation Bylaws, as presented. Dr. Muhammad Rashid seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

VII. **Proposed Term Adjustments**

CEO Weingart presented a proposed term matrix which includes increasing the Director term from two to three years with a nine-year term out. This adjustment also incorporates following the University's fiscal year (July 1 – June 30).

Kristen Lowers motioned to approve the proposed term adjustments with the removal of Jack Harrell, III. Dr. Muhammad Rashid seconded the motion; a vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

VIII. **Future Meetings and Events**

Chair Wilson noted the next meeting of the Governance Committee is tentatively scheduled for April 28, 2026. He also encouraged full attendance for the upcoming Foundation Board meeting scheduled for Friday, January 23, 2026 at 9:00 AM.

VII. **Closing Remarks and Adjournment**

Chair Wilson thanked the committee for their attendance and engagement. With no further business to discuss, this meeting of the Florida Polytechnic University Foundation Governance Committee adjourned at 11:20 AM.