

**The Florida College System
Policy & Advocacy Committee
Thursday, December 4, 2014
Conference Call**

MINUTES

Welcome and Call to Order

Dr. Carol Probstfeld, Policy and Advocacy Committee Chair, called the conference call of the Policy and Advocacy Committee to order at approximately 10:01 a.m. on Thursday, December 4, 2014.

The following members of the Policy and Advocacy Committee were present:

Dr. Jason Hurst	Dr. Ty Handy
Dr. Jim Henningsen	Dr. Katherine Johnson
Dr. Jim Richey	Dr. Ed Meadows
Dr. Carol Eaton	Dr. Thomas Leitzel
Dr. Jonathan Gueverra	Dr. Carol Probstfeld
Dr. Chuck Hall	Dr. Bill Law
Dr. John Holdnak	Dr. Jim Murdaugh
Dr. Chuck Mojock	Dr. Sandy Shugart
Mr. John Grosskopf	

Also present were:
Mr. Randy Hanna

Mr. Michael Brawer	Mr. Andy Treadwell
Mr. Greg Haile	Ms. Sheryl Vittotoe
Dr. Gina Doeble	Mr. Jorge Conforme
Dr. Judy Bilsky	Dr. Ed Bonahue
Mr. Eric Johnson	Dr. Joe Sarnovsky

1.0 Approval of Minutes

1.1 Approval, Policy & Advocacy Meeting Minutes, October 30, 2014

Action: *Upon a motion by Dr. Chuck Mojock and a second by Dr. Jonathan Gueverra the minutes of the October 30, 2014 meeting of Policy & Advocacy Committee were approved by without objection.*

2.0 2015 Substantive Issues

Dr. Probstfeld referred to the handout entitled Rebuilding the Capacity to Serve Florida College 2014-15 Legislative Platform (Attachment A.) Dr. Probstfeld reported language on equity funding will be added. Dr. Jim Murdaugh suggested rewording the title “Rebuilding Capacity to Serve”. Dr. Murdaugh stated the Governor feels he has been supportive of capacity and suggested a message that ties in the phrase “Let’s Get to Work”. Dr. Probstfeld suggested removing the word “Rebuilding” from the title all together and work in the “Let’s Get to Work”. Dr. Mojock suggested adding it to the first bullet. Dr. Probstfeld suggested adding equity as the third bullet under “Capacity to Serve”. Dr. Probstfeld will make the suggested edits and resend to the presidents.

Dr. Mojock asked if the Media and Public Relations Committee would be able to share the document with Moore Communications Group for their input. Dr. Probstfeld stated the Committee could share it.

Matt Holliday reported the lobbyists are already tracking bills that have been filed that involve the Florida College System.

Dr. Chuck Mojock asked whether or not the revenue estimates have been released. Ms. Stacey Webb reported this year the surplus is as small as \$200 million. The passage of Amendment 1 will impact appropriations. Chancellor Hanna reported PECO is estimated at \$88 million total.

Dr. Carol Probstfeld adjourned the Policy and Advocacy Committee meeting at approximately 10:17 a.m. without objection.