

**RESEARCH PARK**  
**AT FLORIDA ATLANTIC**  
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**FLORIDA ATLANTIC RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

777 Glades Road SF 103, Room SF109 Boca Raton, FL 33431

August 24, 2022 at 9:00 AM

**Strategic Planning Meeting Minutes**

Members present:

Mr. Michael Allison	Chair
Ms. Sherry Ambrose	Vice Chair
Dr. Daniel C. Flynn	Member
Mr. Alex Price	Member
Mr. Fred Yentz	Member
Dr. Francis E. Salazar	Member

Members absent:

Mr. Bob Swindell	Member
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Staff present: Andrew Duffell, President  
Jacki Wales, Operations Manager  
Ryan Lilly, Global Ventures Program Manager

Counsel: George Pincus absent

Others Present:

Eric Hochman – PEBB Enterprises, Jason Sher - Banyan Development, Ross Feurring – Banyan Development, Chris Stewart – PEBB Enterprises, Jenny Schulmann – PEBB Enterprises, Ian Weiner – PEBB Enterprises, Maria Hernandez – City of Boca Raton, Sherry Howard – Palm Beach County, Keith O'Donnell – Avison Young, Kelly Kennedy – City of Boca Raton, Kevin Byrne – TUFF, Andy Lukasik - City of Boca Raton, Julia Pilitsis - Florida Atlantic University, Rebecca Napier – Florida Atlantic University, Brian Darmody

– Association of University Research Parks, Stella Batalama – Florida Atlantic University,  
Dimitris Pados – Florida Atlantic University

I. Call to order & roll call

Meeting called to order by Chairman Allison at 10.20 AM.

President Duffell called the roll: 6 members present, 1 member absent. Mr. Duffell informed the Chairman that a quorum was present.

II. Chairman Allison welcomed and thanked participants for attending and their enthusiasm. Self-introductions were made.

III. Agenda approval

Items VIII and IX were switched.

**A motion to approve the revised agenda was made by Mr. Price and seconded by Ms. Ambrose. The motion passed 6-1, with 1 member absent.**

IV. Presentation of Palm Beach County economic development priorities

Ms. Howard presented the County's overall economic priorities, describing where the Research Park at FAU and Global Ventures fit in the overall strategy.

V. Presentation of City of Boca Raton economic development initiatives

Ms. Hernandez presented the City's overall economic priorities, describing where the Research Park at FAU and Global Ventures fit in the overall strategy.

VI. Imperatives of modern research parks, trends in research, science & tech parks

Mr. Darmody presented the trends in research parks, including new uses, new industries and encouraged fresh thinking, engagement and creativity.

VII. Working Lunch

VIII. Presentation of FAU College of Engineering and I-SENSE priorities

Dr. Batalama presented the College's existing programs and suggested ways faculty and students could interact more with them.

Dr. Pados described I-SENSE and the Center for Connected Autonomy, suggesting several technologies that are attractive and important to businesses. Discussion ensued around how to engage small teams of larger corporations to locate in the Research Park at FAU.

IX. Presentation of FAU Division of Research priorities

Dr. Flynn described the Division of Research's progress and future goals, discussing the importance of external engagement.

X. Presentation of FAU Health Network priorities

Dr. Pilitsis described FAU Health Network, including its goals to improve the quality and access to healthcare in South Florida. Discussion ensued about how to make sure the Research Park at FAU is the epicenter and physical embodiment of the initiative.

XI. Open discussion of Research Park at FAU priorities 2023-2026

Consensus was quickly reached that the strategic focus should be on the main areas FAU continues to work on in engineering and medicine. Agreement was reached that activating the Park is paramount: bring students and faculty onto the Park. Mr. Duffell to draft ideas to discuss with members individually, as well as with stakeholders and then bring a draft plan to the Authority in October.

XII. Matters by the public

None.

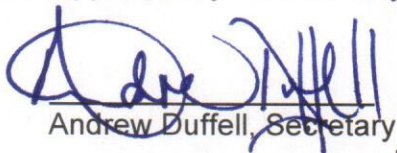
XIII. Adjourn

**A motion to adjourn the strategic planning meeting of the Florida Atlantic Research and Development Authority was made by Mr. Price at 3.10 pm and seconded by Ms. Ambrose. The motion passed 6-0, with 1 member absent.**

Respectfully presented to the Authority for review on September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Reviewed and approved by the Authority by 6-0 vote on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Signed:

  
Andrew Duffell, Secretary

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