

**The Florida College System
Council of Presidents
Friday, June 3, 2016
Reunion Resort
Kissimmee, Florida
MINUTES**

Welcome and Call to Order

Dr. Ed Meadows, Council of Presidents Chair, called the meeting of the Council of Presidents to order at approximately 8:48 a.m. on Friday, June 3, 2016 at the Reunion Resort in Kissimmee, Florida.

The following members of the Council of Presidents were present:

Dr. Ed Meadows	Dr. Stanley Sidor
Mr. David Armstrong	Mr. John Grosskopf
Dr. Jason Hurst	Dr. Sasha Jarrell
Dr. Jim Henningsen	Ms. Ava Parker
Dr. Tom LoBasso	Dr. Tim Beard
Dr. Jeff Allbritten	Dr. Eileen Holden
Dr. Lawrence Barrett	Dr. Ann McGee
Dr. Jonathan Gueverra	Dr. Thomas Leitzel
Dr. John Holdnak	Dr. Carol Probstfeld
Dr. Ed Massey	Dr. Jim Murdaugh

Also present were:

Ms. Madeline Pumariega	Mr. Eric Godin
Dr. Chris Mullin	Dr. Karinda Barrett
Ms. Wendy Sikora	

Mr. Michael Brawer	Ms. Erin McColskey
Mr. Greg Haile	Mr. Steve Schroeder
Mr. Robert Batsel	Ms. Sandy Cesaretti Ray
Mr. Mike McKee	Mr. Ed Woodruff
Mr. Eric Johnson	Mr. Liam McClay
Mr. Andy Treadwell	Mr. Bill Mallowney
Ms. Victoria Hernandez	

Ms. Juanita Scott	Mr. Peter Elliott
Ms. Gean Ann Emond	Ms. Petra Kohlman-Sanchez
Dr. Naima Brown	Mr. Craig Johnson
Ms. Kelly Warren	Mr. Mark Lupe
Mr. Chauncey Fagler	Mr. Ken Burdzinski
Dr. Judy Bilsky	Ms. Cindy Hewitt
Mr. Don Payton	Mr. E.H. Levering

1.0 Welcome and Comments

2.0 Approval of Minutes

- 2.1** Approval, Council of Presidents Meeting Minutes March 11, 2016
- 2.2** Approval, Council of Presidents Meeting Minutes April 22, 2016
- 2.3** Approval, Council of Presidents Meeting Minutes May 12, 2016

Action: *Upon a motion by Dr. Carol Probstfeld and a second by Dr. Jim Henningsen the minutes of the March 11, 2016, April 22, 2016 and May 12, 2016 meetings of the Council of Presidents were approved without objection.*

3.0 Report of the Chair, Dr. Ed Meadows

3.1 Approval, P&A Chair and COP Steering Committee Members (Ballot)

Dr. Meadows referred to the handout entitled Steering Committee Nominee Ballot 2016-17.

3.2 Approval, 2016-17 COP Meeting Schedule

Dr. Meadows referred to the handout entitled Council of Presidents Meeting Schedule 2016-17.

Action: *Upon a motion by Dr. Jim Henningsen and a second by Dr. Ed Massey, the COP meeting schedule for 2016-17 was approved without objection.*

3.3 Review and Approval, Updated Memorandum of Understanding between the Association of Florida Colleges and the Council of Presidents – Dr. Eileen Holden

Dr. Eileen Holden referred to the handout entitled Memorandum of Understanding between the Association of Florida Colleges and the Council of Presidents. She reported that a small group of presidents and AFC Executive Committee officers met to review and update the MOU.

She added the new presidents' orientation will be held in September. Dr. Meadows asked for a volunteer to coordinate the orientation. Dr. Holdnak, Dr. Massey and Mr. Grosskopf volunteered.

Action: *Upon a motion by Dr. Jim Murdaugh and a second by Dr. John Holdnak, the Memorandum of Understanding between the Association of Florida Colleges and the Council of Presidents was approved without objection.*

3.4 Approval, AFC, COP and FCSAA 2016-17 Continuation Assessments

Mr. Brawer referred to the handout entitled 2016-17 AFC, P&A, FSCAA Continuation Assessment. He reported the assessment will be adjusted once the formula is run.

4.0 Report of the Chancellor, The Division of Florida Colleges

Chancellor Pumariega reported the SUS response letter to the Governor regarding the Degrees to Jobs Summit has been sent to the presidents to review. She stated there is a call scheduled with the chair of the Trustees Commission Chair to discuss the summit. The

Florida College System will also need to send a response to the Governor. The Chancellor suggested the Chair sign the FCS response letter.

The Chancellor reported several baccalaureate proposals have been received and are under review.

The colleges received individual performance based funding scores, as well as how the score was determined. Chancellor Pumariega reported a workgroup is looking at performance based funding. The group will present their recommendations in November.

5.0 Report of the Chancellor, Division of Career and Technical Education

Wendy Sikora reported the Annual FACTA Conference will be held on July 25-27 in Orlando.

6.0 Committee and Task Force Reports

6.1 Articulation Coordinating Committee

Dr. Ed Massey reported the Articulation Coordinating Committee met on April 27. At the meeting, the ACC approved over 40 Gold Standard Articulation Agreements.

Dr. Massey stated the ACC reviewed three common prerequisite courses in initial teacher preparation programs and voted to move to one course, Introduction to the Teaching Profession, as a prerequisite. Introduction to Diversity for Educators and Introduction to Technology for Educators are already part of the curriculum. This change will be effective in the Fall of 2017-18.

Chancellor Pumariega reported the CIA is working on recommendations to bring back to the Council on local level certificates.

6.2 Distance Learning Committee

Dr. Jonathan Gueverra referred to the handout entitled Distance Learning Update and Considerations. Dr. Gueverra reported the committee met recently and tentatively agreed on the purpose of the committee. The main purpose of the committee will be to look at the implications of distance learning. The purpose statement is a working draft and input is welcome.

Action: *Upon a motion by Dr. Carol Probstfeld and a second by Dr. Tim Beard, the draft purpose statement for the Distance Learning Committee was approved without objection.*

6.3 Florida College System Risk Management Consortium

Dr. Jim Henningsen referred to the handout entitled Risk Management Council Meeting. Dr. Henningsen reviewed the items on the consent agenda and asked for ratification.

Action: *Upon a motion by Dr. Carol Probstfeld and a second by Dr. Tom Leitzel, the FCSRMC consent agenda was ratified without objection.*

6.4 Funding Formula Workgroup

Dr. Carol Probstfeld referred to the handout entitled Florida College System Funding Council of Presidents June 3, 2016

Model Review and Recommendations. She requested the recommendations made by COBA be approved.

Action: *Upon a motion by Dr. Jeff Allbritten and a second by Dr. Tim Beard, the recommendations on the Funding Formula as outlined in the handout were approved without objection.*

Mr. John Grosskopf expressed his concern with the colleges being clustered.

Dr. Jim Henningsen requested more time to review the information. He asked the initial runs be done in July. This would allow enough time for them to be reviewed and voted on at the August Steering Committee meeting.

Dr. Meadows suggested an amendment to allow for more time to review the information.

Action: *Upon a motion by Dr. Carol Probstfeld and a second by Dr. Jim Henningsen, the COP to direct COBA, in conjunction with the Division, to operationalize the model by July for a review in August was approved without objection.*

Dr. Meadows asked COBA for a recommendation on how often the model needs to be reviewed.

6.5 Media and Public Relations Committee

Dr. Tom Leitzel reported the Committee is working with the AFC and college lobbyists on the legislative message.

6.6 FCSAA

Ms. Kelly Warren referred to the handout entitled Florida College System Activities Association Annual Summary Report to the Council of Presidents.

Ms. Warren reported the incoming SGA President is Kaitlin Santiago from Pensacola State College.

Ms. Warren asked for approval of the FCSAA budget expenses for 2015-16 and the 2016-17 projected budget as outlined in the handout.

Action: *Upon a motion by Dr. Ann McGee and a second by Dr. Jason Hurst, the FCSAA budget expenses for 2015-16 and the 2016-17 projected budget was approved without objection.*

6.7 Support Council Reports

6.7.1 CIA

Mr. Craig Johnson reported CIA will be meeting with the occupational deans in June.

6.7.2 COBA

Mr. Peter Elliott reported COBA recently held a joint meeting with the CIOs.

6.7.3 CSA

Dr. Naima Brown reported CSA will be meeting in June.

Dr. Brown also reported the incoming CSA chair is Patrick Rinard.

6.7.4 FCRD

No report

7.0 AFC Report

Mr. Michael Brawer reported the Campus Safety Symposium will be held on July 7-8 at Daytona State College.

Ms. Juanita Scott reported the regions and commissions partnered to hold regional spring conferences.

8.0 Other Business

Dr. Ed Meadows adjourned the Council of Presidents meeting at approximately 10:58 a.m. without objection.

**The Florida College System
Council of Presidents Steering Committee**

Thursday, August 18, 2016

**Seminole State College-Heathrow Center
Lake Mary, Florida**

The following presidents were present:

Dr. Ed Meadows
Dr. Tom LoBasso
Dr. Jonathan Gueverra
Dr. Jeff Allbritten
Dr. Ed Massey
Mr. John Grosskopf

Ms. Ava Parker
Dr. Ann McGee
Dr. Thomas Leitzel
Dr. Carol Probstfeld
Dr. Tim Beard
Dr. Stan Sidor

Also present were:

Mr. Michael Brawer
Mr. Eric Johnson
Mr. Peter Elliott
Mr. Robert Batsel
Mr. Chris Hansen
Ms. Victoria Hernandez
Ms. Sandy Ceseretti Ray
Dr. Judy Bilsky
Ms. Madeline Pumariega
Dr. Chris Mullin

Ms. Sheryl Vittitoe
Mr. Andy Treadwell
Mr. Liam McClay
Ms. Rachael Ondrus
Mr. John Gyllin
Mr. Joe Sarnovsky
Mr. Steve Schroeder
Mr. Ken Burdzinski
Mr. Matthew Holliday
Mr. Chris Behrer

1.0 Funding Formula

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Meadows. Mr. Peter Elliott was present and was asked to review all recommendations of the joint committee of business officers and Division staff regarding the funding formula. Mr. Elliott referred to the handout attached entitled Summary of Changes-Version 2017A.

Chancellor Pumariega reported multi campus sites and small campus supplement need a separate column in funding formula model. The model needs to be transparent that it does account for multi campus sites and small colleges supplement. Dr. Meadows suggested those presidents in the small campus category to discuss with their business officers, and then have a conference call with those presidents, Division staff, Mr. Peter Elliott and bring to a vote at the next COP. This will allow the small campus presidents time to reach a consensus.

Attached is an updated summary of changes document that reflects the acceptance of the items that are highlighted in green that COBA and the Division staff had agreed upon. To summarize, items 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 15, 16, 19-25, 26, 29, 30, 34, 37, 39, 42, 43-48, 50-54 outlined in green were approved by the Steering Committee for consideration by the full COP..

Items 3, 6, 9, 13, 18, 27, 38, 40, 41 are related to the Small College Supplement and Dr. Grosskopf, Dr. Leitzel, and Dr. Gueverra agreed to work with the other Small College Presidents to come up with the support for the supplement percentage. Additionally, there was agreement to applying the percentage to all of the separate factors and separating that out as a separate column on the model summary page.

The following items still require additional study and review:

Item 28 regarding the District Cost Differential (DCD)

Items 31, 32 and 35 related to class size and FT/PT Faculty ratio

Items 11, 12 and 14 related to the Student Services Base and the Multi-Campus

Item 49 is related to Student Fees which Presidents Sidor, Beard, Probstfeld and Gueverra were going to review.

The following motions were made regarding the document:

Action: *Upon a motion by Mr. John Grosskopf and a second by Dr. Jonathan Gueverra, the vote on how to be more transparent regarding multi campus and small college supplement in the funding formula was tabled without objection.*

Mr. Peter Elliott reported class size standard and full time/part time ratio for faculty was also looked at by the work group. The work group recommends class size be reduced to ensure a high level of efficiency. Mr. Elliott reported COBA needs more time to look at the data that will support the recommended change.

Action: *Upon a motion by Dr. Jonathan Gueverra and a second by Dr. Tom LoBasso, the vote on a reduction in class size was tabled until the September COP meeting without objection.*

Mr. Elliott reported the application of the District Cost Differential negates the small school supplement application, except for Florida Keys Community College. COBA recommends shifting the DCD to personnel costs. The Chancellor stated the Division needs to do a few runs, based on last year's model, on the DCD and look at the impact.

Mr. Elliott reported COBA recommends utilizing headcount only, versus headcount and FTE in the student services category.

COBA also recommends an increase the multi campus supplement rate from .5% to 1%.

Mr. Elliott reported, based on the EDUCAUSE Core Data Survey, the intuitional need is 5.2% in the technology refresh category.

Action: *Upon a motion by Dr. Ann McGee and a second by Dr. Tom LoBasso, using 5.2% for intuitional need (#26) based on the EDUCAUSE Core Data Survey was approved without objection.*

Action: Upon a motion by Dr. Ann McGee and a second by Dr. Tom LoBasso, all items in white, that were previously not voted on, were tabled without objection.

Mr. Elliott recommended an intensity factor has been added to the plant operations and maintenance category. Chancellor Pumariega suggested a work group, to include facility managers, be formed to look at this category. The Chancellor also added the data needs to be run.

Action: Upon a motion by Dr. Tom LoBasso and a second by Dr. Jeff Allbritten, an intensity factor being added to plant operations and maintenance was approved without objection.

The Chancellor urged the presidents to discuss whether or not student fees should stay in the funding formula. Dr. Meadows asked for volunteers to look at this and bring a recommendation back to the Council of Presidents. Dr. Gueverra, Dr. Probstfeld, Dr. Sidor, and Dr. Beard volunteered to look at student fees.

Action: Upon a motion by Mr. John Grosskopf and a second by Dr. Tom LoBasso, whether or not to include student fees in the funding formula was tabled without objection.

Dr. Meadows reported the presidents should be able to vote on the final funding formula for the 2017 session in October.

2.0 Legislative Budget Request

Dr. Tom LoBasso reported part of the LBR request is an increase the advising support for 2+2. Other budget items include campus safety, safety training, student mental health, workforce, and unfunded tuition waivers. The Chancellor stated the presidents should push for \$50 million in the formula. She also stated new performance dollars are expected.

Dr. LoBasso spoke in terms of increasing the capacity for workforce programs and to possibly highlight associate degree nursing, advanced manufacturing and other STEM A.S. degrees. The presidents also should consider to emphasize 2+2 AA and AS programs. Dr. LoBasso also shared the concerns previously discussed regarding unfunded waivers. He stated that there is support of the waivers and no tuition increase, and that the budget request will assist in continuing such support.

Chancellor Pumariega suggested removing the student mental health item from the request.

Via correspondence sent to Dr. Meadows, President David Armstrong requested a review of bonding authority of Capital Improvement Fees be added to the COP legislative issues request.

Via correspondence sent to Dr. Meadows, Dr. Ken Atwater requested the presidents think about a remodel/renovation funding strategy.

3.0 Performance Funding

Chancellor Pumariega reported there is concern with Senate staff regarding the PELL multiplier.

Senate staff is also concerned about AA student wages and their earnings after graduation and how it should be weighted in performance funding.

4.0 Policy Issues

Mr. Chris Hansen reported Representative Corcoran will have a fiscally tight budget.

Chancellor Pumariega reported the presidents should expect to be asked why their college reserves are above minimum required by statute. The presidents should look at how SUS handled same problem. Dr. Meadows asked the lobbyists to come up with a few options on how to handle this question, if it arises.

The Chancellor reported the college name issue is expected to re-emerge this upcoming session.

Dr. Meadows reported Senator Negrón is expected to bring up the issue of governance. The Senator is proposing a “new” Board for community/state colleges. This could potentially weaken local Boards. Chancellor Pumariega suggested the trustees discuss respecting autonomy of community and allow local Boards to govern colleges with Senator Negrón.

The Chancellor reported Senator Negrón will continue to be against the Florida College System offering baccalaureate degrees. Dr. Ed Massey suggested the 2006 BAS Task Force report be reviewed. Dr. Judy Bilsky stated there have been no reported problems over past 10 years regarding students with BAS degrees transferring into graduate programs or becoming employed. Chancellor Pumariega urged the presidents to come up with a “win” for Senator Negrón in this area.

5.0 2016-17 Trustee Education

Dr. Ed Meadows asked the presidents to support the Trustee webinars that are set up by the chair, Karen Moore.

6.0 Media and Marketing Plan

Dr. Meadows suggested the presidents feature the colleges in *Florida Trend Magazine*, focusing on economic impact and emerging industries. In the past, the colleges used donors to fund the ad; however, Dr. Meadows urged the presidents to have the college pay for it. Mr. Michael Brawer reported the cost is \$42,000-\$48,000 that could be divided among colleges opting in. The COP Media Committee will meet via teleconference the next Council and provide a recommendation for moving forward.

Florida College System Activities Association
Report to the Council of Presidents
September 30, 2016

1. FCSSGA Goals from FCSSGA President Kaitlin Santiago
2. Council for Athletic Affairs Section 16 Report
3. 2016 FCSAA Hall of Fame Inductees
4. Approval of 2016-2017 Executive Committee
5. 2016-2017 FCSAA Schedule

2016 FCSAA Hall of Fame Inductees

Athletics Division -- Mr. Rick Hitt, South Florida State College

Brain Bowl Division -- Dr. Robert Dunkle, Chipola College

Forensics Division -- Ms. Alexa Kyros (student), Tallahassee Community College

Forensics Division -- Mr. John Bill Todd (coach), Miami Dade College

Publications Division -- Dr. Rick Gaspar, Hillsborough Community College

Student Government Division -- Ms. Gaby Pacheco (student), Miami Dade College

Student Government Division -- Mr. Randy Pawlowski (advisor), Seminole State College

Florida College System Activities Association 2016-2017 Executive Committee

President	Dr. Carol Probstfeld	State College of Florida
President-Elect	Dr. Bob Bade	Pasco-Hernando State College
COP Representative	Dr. Tom LoBasso	Daytona State College
CIA Representative	Dr. Sidney Valentine	South Florida State College
COBA Representative	Dr. Joe Sarnovsky	Seminole State College
CSA Representative	Dr. Saul Reyes	College of Central Florida
CAA Chair	Bill Hamilton	Pensacola State College
Brain Bowl State Advisor	James Givvines	Florida Gateway College
FCSSGA State Advisor	Davie Gill	St. Petersburg College
Forensics State Advisor	Chad Kuyper	Florida State College at Jacksonville
Music State Advisor	Michael MacMullen	Palm Beach State College
Publications State Advisor	Elena Jarvis	Daytona State College
Theatre State Advisor	Jeanine Henry	Eastern Florida State College
Member at Large	Dr. Mike Bosley	Valencia College
Member at Large	Will Dunne	Daytona State College
Member at Large	Erika Strowbridge	Indian River State College
Member at Large	Dr. Melissa Lavender	Gulf Coast State College
Member at Large	Michael Coleman	Tallahassee Community College
FCSSGA President	Kaitlin Santiago	Pensacola State College

Student at Large	Kaitlyn Ridolph	Hillsborough Community College
Student at Large	Andrew Salow	Broward College
Athletic Commissioner-Women*	George Sanders	Florida SouthWestern State College
Athletic Commissioner-Men*	Mike Matulia	Lake-Sumter State College
Legal Counsel*	Stephen Schroeder	Pasco-Hernando State College
DOE Representative*	Dr. Karinda Barrett	FCS Chancellor's Office

*Non-voting member

2016-2017 FCSAA Calendar

Aug. 16-17	CAA Executive Board Meeting, Holiday Inn Westshore, Tampa
Sept. 20-21	CAA Fall Meeting, College of Central Florida
Sept. 23	Brain Bowl Fall Coaches Meeting (Virtual)
Sept. 23	FCSSGA District 2 Leadership Retreat, Seminole State College
Sept. 23-25	Fall ITA Tennis Tournament, Eastern Florida State College
Sept. 30-Oct. 1	FCSSGA District 3 Leadership Retreat, Hillsborough Community College FCSSGA District 4 Leadership Retreat, Gulf Coast State College
Oct. 7-8	FCSSGA District 1 Leadership Retreat, Key Largo and MDC
Oct. 20	Fall FCSAA Executive Committee Meeting, Holiday Inn Westshore, Tampa
Oct. 12-15	Press Association Conference/Advisors' Meeting, Holiday Inn Lake Buena Vista
Oct. 28 & 30	1 st FCSAA State Women's Soccer Tournament, Eastern Florida State College
Oct. 29-30	Baseball Fall Classic, Lakeland, Joker Marchant Stadium
Nov. 3-6	State Volleyball Tournament and Coaches Meeting, Bradenton
Nov. 4	2016 FCSAA Hall of Fame Induction, Buena Vista Palace, Orlando
Nov. 4	1 st FCSAA State Cross Country Meet, Tallahassee
Nov. 18-19	FCSSGA Leadership Conference and Advisors Meeting, Seminole State College
Dec. 1-3	Women's Basketball Shootout, Tallahassee CC and Chipola College
Dec. 10-11	Men's Basketball Shootout, College of Central Florida and Santa Fe College
Jan. 26-28	State Winter Music Symposium, Jacksonville University
Feb. 2-4	State Forensics Tournament, FSCJ South Campus
Feb. 8-9	FCSSGA Legislative Conference, Tallahassee Community College/State Capitol
Feb. 10-11	Brain Bowl Regional Tournaments
March 8-11	State Men's and Women's Basketball Tournaments, College of Central Florida
March 30-April 1	State Brain Bowl Tournament/Spring Coaches Meeting, Gulf Coast State College
April 6-7	FCSSGA Year End Conference and Elections, College of Central Florida
April 20-23	State Tennis Tournament and Coaches Meeting, Location TBA
April 27-30	State Softball Tournament, Historic Dodgertown, Vero Beach
May 4-10	State Baseball Tournament, Tiger Town, Lakeland
May 24	Spring FCSAA Executive Committee Meeting, Holiday Inn Westshore, Tampa

2015-2016 FCSAA ACADEMIC REPORTS BY MEMBERS (Section 16 Report)

Cumulative Success Rate: 83.4%

Graduation Rate: 76.0%

SPORT	VB	MBB	WBB	BASE	SB	TN	MSOC	WSOC	SWM	SWW	GL	CC	TOTALS
1 TOTAL # OF PARTICIPANTS	250	219	195	575	434	42	42	62	24	21	22	12	1898
2 # 2 ND YEAR PARTICIPANTS	94	96	68	239	165	15	19	29	9	7	8	1	750
3 # 2 ND YEAR GRADUATES	70	70	50	181	129	12	9	20	6	7	8	1	563
4 # 2 ND YEAR TRANSFERS TO 4-YR. COLLEGES	76	80	55	199	129	9	11	25	8	7	8	1	608
5 # 1 ST YEAR PARTICIPANTS GRADUATES	1	7	2	10	4	2	1	2	0	0	0	1	30
6 # 1 ST YEAR TRANSFERS TO 4-YR COLLEGES	9	23	9	23	16	3	4	7	0	0	1	0	95
7 # OF PROFESSIONAL CONTRACTS	0	0	0	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
8 ALL RECEIVING ATHLETIC AID-4 YR COLLEGES	61	95	62	174	98	15	13	17	5	2	9	0	551
9 ALL ACADEMIC ALL CONFERENCE	121	58	76	246	219	13	5	20	15	16	13	8	810
10 ALL FCSAA ALL-ACADEMIC ATHLETES	94	31	61	163	149	9	3	17	11	11	10	8	567
11 ALL NJCAA ALL-ACADEMIC 1 st Team	3	1	5	10	7	1	0	0	0	1	2	5	35
12 ALL NJCAA ALL-ACADEMIC 2 nd Team	14	4	5	14	30	1	0	3	0	3	5	3	82
13 ALL NJCAA ALL-ACADEMIC 3 rd Team	20	3	4	30	30	3	0	3	2	2	1	0	98
14 Total NJCAA Academic Awards	37	8	14	54	67	5	0	6	2	6	8	8	215
15 ALL WHO'S WHO AWARDS	7	2	2	9	11	0	0	0	1	5	1	2	40
16 ALL OTHER ACADEMIC AWARDS	11	4	6	9	18	4	0	0	2	2	3	0	59
17 COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS	121	82	97	102	123	15	10	28	12	12	25	6	633
TOTALS													

September 14, 2016

Date

Bill Hamilton
CAA Chairperson



TO: Council of Presidents, Florida College System

FROM: Moore Communications Group
Karen Moore, APR, CPRC

DATE: Tuesday, September 20, 2016

SUBJECT: Trustees Commission Update

Since becoming Chair in July, the Trustees Commission has implemented new initiatives to enhance communications and provide professional development opportunities, including:

- Trustees Commission landing page: Established a landing page on the Association of Florida College's website to serve as resource for updates and announcements.
- Webinar Series: Launched four-part webinar series to educate trustees on important system issues.
 - September 20: Student Success: Performance Based Funding
Presented by: Chancellor Madeline Pumariega
 - Dec 6: Access and Affordability: 2017 Legislative Agenda
Presented By: President Tom LoBasso and Chris Hansen
 - April 18: Building Partnerships: Enhancing Community Engagement and Best Practices
Presenter TBD
 - May 16: Session Wrap-Up
Presenter TBD

The committee also has the following updates:

- Annual Meeting: The Trustees Commission's Annual Meeting will be in conjunction with the AFC Annual Conference at the Buena Vista Palace Hotel in Lake Buena Vista November 2-3. The deadline to register is Oct. 25.
 - The meeting will begin with a join luncheon with the Council of Presidents and Trustees. Other highlights include student testimonials, workforce development discussion, and a panel on handling crisis.
- Trustee of the Year: Nominations are now open for the AFC Trustee of the Year Award. The AFC Trustees Commission recognizes one exemplary trustee annually. The nomination procedure and criteria can be found on the Trustees Commission [landing page](#). Nominations must be postmarked by October 1, 2016.
- Trustees Legislative Fly-In: Plans are in work for the trustees legislative fly-in that is scheduled for February 8-9.