

Board of Trustees Audit & Compliance Committee

Tuesday, November 15, 2022

11-11:45am

Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

MINUTES  
present Trustee Sara Callahan, Trustee Oscar Horton, and Trustee  
quorum was established.  
Public Comments Subject to USF's procedure  
There were no requests for public comments received.  
New Business – Action Items  
Approval of Meeting Notes  
The August 16, 2022 Audit and Compliance Committee meeting  
Having no changes to the meeting notes Chair Callahan moved  
was seconded by Trustee Horton and the August 16

<sup>th</sup> meeting notes were approved.

Approval of revised Internal Audit Charter

Executive Director and Chief Internal Auditor Virginia Kalil provided an update on the Internal Audit Charter

Chief Audit Executive Board of Governors (BOG) Regulation 4002 Statewide Information Systems and responsibilities of the office of the chief audit executive” and this charter shall be reviewed at least every three (3) years for consistency with applicable Board of Governors and university regulations, professional standards, and best practices”.

Executive Director Kalil provided comments on a recent Strategic Planning exercise that occurred as well as the upcoming External Quality Review next spring. There was a recent change to the scope of the Audit and Compliance department and there is also new leadership. There was another change related to the reorganized thoughts that are in our Mission.

The Annual Reporting deadline by the Board of Governors was also included amongst the changes.

Having no questions on the revisions to the Charter, Chair Callahan requested a motion to approve the revised Charter, which was given by Trustee Horton, seconded by Chair Callahan. The revised Internal Audit Charter was approved.

#### Acceptance of Audit & Compliance Committee Performance Assessment

Executive Director and Chief Internal Auditor Virginia Kalil provided an update of Audit & Compliance Committee Performance Assessment.

In accordance with the Board of Trustees (Board) ACC Charter, the committee is required to evaluate its own performance on a periodic basis and communicate the results of this evaluation to the Board.

Chair Callahan had comments pertaining to an element which requires the Audit and Compliance Committee to assess their own performance.

Executive Director Kalil made comments on the charter components and the expectations for the performance evaluation for the Audit and Compliance Committee. There were favorable comments on surveying scales as well as discussions on the committee's interaction with the Department of Internal Audit.

A few topics discussed on the survey statements were:

- Receiving sufficient information
- Understanding how our work plans address emerging risks
- Meeting management needs for assurance
- Providing value to the university
- Building Trustee Relationships

Chair Callahan requested a motion to accept and approve the Audit & Compliance Committee Performance Assessment. The motion was given by Trustee Horton, Chair Callahan seconded and the motion passed.

#### Approval of Revised Compliance & Ethics Program Plans

Chief Compliance Officer Caroline Fultz Carver provided an update on the revised Compliance and Ethics Plans

According to Florida Board of Governors (BOG) Regulation 4.003, all State University System institutions must implement a university wide Compliance and Ethics Program as a point for

coordination of and responsibility for activities that promote ethical conduct and maximize compliance with applicable laws, regulations, rules, policies, and procedures.

Chief Officer Fultz Carver commented on the Compliance Officers workgroup designees, and fundamental changes to the report. Other revisions to the plan discussed were related to updated titles, names and signature lines to reflect the current BOT Chair and President.

Chair Callahan requested a motion to approve the revised Compliance & Ethics Program Plan; it was given by Trustee Horton and seconded by Chair Callahan. The revised plan was approved.

New Business Information Items  
USF DSO Independent Audit Findings Report

USF Treasurer Fell Stubbs provided an update on the USF DSO Independent Audit Findings Report.

The Independent Audit Findings Report describes audit findings and auditor recommendations, and management's responses and correction status.

The Independent Audit Report was provided to the Board of Trustees Audit & Compliance Committee on February 21, 2022.

This report provides an update to this status for the findings presented at that time.

Mr. Stubbs commented on the detailed description of each of the findings included in the committee's packets. All the Audit Findings have been successfully closed.

Chair Callahan acknowledged her appreciation for the frequent updates on the Audit Findings.

Mr. Stubbs announced that the open Audit Findings will be reported quarterly in the future.

Having no further business Chair Callahan adjourned the Audit and Compliance Committee meeting.