University of North Florida

Board of Trustees Meeting with Governor Stermon

Adam Herbert University Center

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# MINUTES

Chair Hyde introduced Kent Stermon, Board of Governors. Governor Stermon is of Jacksonville and is the COO of Total Military Management. Governor Stermon stated he is very impressed with the University’s campus. Governor Stermon has been involved with the University for a long time and offers his continued support. He stated the importance of being successful. He praised President Szymanski for his recent report given to the Board of Governors (BOG) at the June meeting, and how well everyone received it. Governor Stermon commented that the performance-based metrics work, and UNF is following the guidelines from the BOG. He congratulated the team for its pursuit of excellence. Trustee Egan asked if the BOG has a strategic idea of Trustees as individuals. Governor Stermon commented he is reserving his judgment because of the different needs for different universities. He stated the importance of the vision.

Trustee Bryan commented about the competition against some of the best universities in the world. He raised the question of how does the BOG address the competition. Governor Stermon answered we have to transition where we compete against ourselves. He also stated how important it is for students graduate with as little debt as possible.

Trustee Burnett added this Board is focused on following the BOG metrics. .

Chair Hyde thanked Governor Stermon for coming and invited him back to join the Board at future meetings or events. Governor Stermon said I am here to assist.