

The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

EDUCATION POSTSECONDARY
Senator Calatayud, Chair
Senator Simon, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, February 11, 2026

TIME: 9:00—11:30 a.m.

PLACE: 301 Senate Building

MEMBERS: Senator Calatayud, Chair; Senator Simon, Vice Chair; Senators Berman, Harrell, Jones, and Rodriguez

TAB	OFFICE and APPOINTMENT (HOME CITY)	FOR TERM ENDING	COMMITTEE ACTION
Senate Confirmation Hearing: A public hearing will be held for consideration of the below-named executive appointment to the office indicated.			
Board of Governors of the State University System			
1	Barnett, Ashley B. (Winter Haven)	01/06/2033	Recommend Confirm Yea 6 Nays 0
2	Sinatra, Nicholas A. (Tampa)	01/06/2033	Recommend Confirm Yea 6 Nays 0
3	Lydecker, Charles Harvey (Ormond Beach)	01/06/2033	Recommend Confirm Yea 6 Nays 0
4	Lukis, Ashley (Tallahassee)	01/06/2027	Recommend Confirm Yea 6 Nays 0

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
Other Related Meeting Documents			

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STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Elections

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Ashley Bell Barnett

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Governors of the State University
System**

for a term beginning on the Thirteenth day of January, A.D., 2026, until the Sixth day of January, A.D., 2033 and is subject to be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular session of the Legislature.

If photocopied or chemically altered, the word "VOID" will appear.

"State of Florida" appears in small letters across the face of this 8 1/2 x 11" document.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Twenty-Seventh day of January, A.D., 2026.*



Secretary of State



RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

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January 13, 2026

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following reappointment under the provisions of Section 1001.70, Florida Statutes:

Mrs. Ashley Bell Barnett
3830 Gaines Court
Winter Haven, Florida 33884

as a member of the Board of Governors of the State University System, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective January 13, 2026, for a term ending January 6, 2033.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. DeSantis".

Ron DeSantis
Governor

RD/ch

OATH OF OFFICE

(Art. II, § 5(b), Fla. Const.; § 92.50, Florida Statutes) AM 11:22

STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Polk

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TALLAHASSEE, FL
J.D.

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

Florida State University System Board of Governors
(Full Name of Office – Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words "so help me God." See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature Ashley Bell Barnett

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence
this 23rd day of January, 2020



USA M. GRAY
Notary Public
State of Florida
Comm# HH531381
Expires 5/27/2028

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Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

(To be completed only by judges administering oath – see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

(To be completed by officer administering oath, other than judges – see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

Affix Seal Below

Print Name

Title

Court

Personally Known OR Produced Identification

Type of Identification Produced _____

ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home Office

3830 Gaines Ct.

Street or Post Office Box

Winter Haven, FL 33884
City, State, Zip Code

Ashley Bell Barnett

Print Name

Ashley Bell Barnett
Signature

void void void void

STATE OF FLORIDA

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Division of Elections

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Nicholas A. Sinatra

is duly appointed a member of the

Board of Governors of the State University
System

for a term beginning on the Thirteenth day of January, A.D.,
2026, until the Sixth day of January, A.D., 2033 and is subject
to be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular session of
the Legislature.

If photocopied or chemically altered, the word "void" will appear.

"State of Florida" appears in small letters across the face of this 8 1/2 x 11" document.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Second day of February, A.D., 2026.



Cord Byrd
Secretary of State

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RON DE SANTIS
GOVERNOR

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January 13, 2026

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following appointment under the provisions of Section 1001.70, Florida Statutes:

Mr. Nick Sinatra
900 South Golf View Street
Tampa, Florida 33629

as a member of the Board of Governors of the State University System, succeeding Jose Oliva, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective January 13, 2026, for a term ending January 6, 2033.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. DeSantis".

Ron DeSantis
Governor

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OATH OF OFFICE

(Art. II. § 5(b), Fla. Const.; § 92.50, Florida Statutes)

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
FLORIDA SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Hillsborough

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

the Board of Governors of the State University System of Florida

(Full Name of Office – Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words "so help me God." See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature J. C. Baker

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence OR online notarization
this 28th day of January, 2020.

W. Baker

Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

(To be completed only by judges administering oath – see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

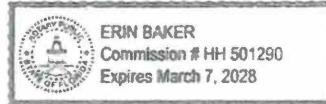
Print Name _____

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(To be completed by officer administering oath, other than judges – see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

Affix Seal Below



Personally Known OR Produced Identification

Type of Identification Produced _____

ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home Office

900 S. Golfview St.

Street or Post Office Box

Tampa, FL 33629

City, State, Zip Code

Nicholas A. Sinatra

Print Name _____

Signature Nicholas A. Sinatra

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STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Elections

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Charles H. Lydecker

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Governors of the State University
System**

for a term beginning on the Thirteenth day of January, A.D., 2026, until the Sixth day of January, A.D., 2033 and is subject to be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular session of the Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Twenty-Seventh day of January, A.D., 2026.*



Secretary of State



RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

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RE: 2026.01.13.1111:46

January 13, 2026

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following reappointment under the provisions of Section 1001.70, Florida Statutes:

Mr. Charles Lydecker
1540 Cornerstone Boulevard
Suite 230
Daytona Beach, Florida 32117

as a member of the Board of Governors of the State University System, succeeding Eric Silagy, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective January 13, 2026, for a term ending January 6, 2033.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. DeSantis".

Ron DeSantis
Governor

RD/ch

OATH OF OFFICE

(Art. II, § 5(b), Fla. Const.; § 92.50, Florida Statutes)

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STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Volusia

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

Board of Governors of the State University System
(Full Name of Office – Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words "so help me God." See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature Charles H. Lydecker

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence OR online notarization
this 22nd day of January, 2026.

Michelle C. Gomez

Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

(To be completed only by judges administering oath – see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

Print Name _____

Title _____

Court _____

(To be completed by officer administering oath, other than judges – see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

Affix Seal Below



Personally Known OR Produced Identification

Type of Identification Produced _____

ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home Office

780 W. Granada Boulevard
Street or Post Office Box

Ormond Beach, FL 32174
City, State, Zip Code

Charles H. Lydecker
Print Name

Charles H. Lydecker
Signature

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STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Elections

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Ashley Lukis

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Governors of the State University
System**

for a term beginning on the Thirteenth day of January, A.D., 2026, until the Sixth day of January, A.D., 2027 and is subject to be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular session of the Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Twenty-Seventh day of January, A.D., 2026.*

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Secretary of State



RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

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January 13, 2026

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following appointment under the provisions of Section 1001.70, Florida Statutes:

Mrs. Ashley Lukis
301 South Bronough Street
Suite 600
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

as a member of the Board of Governors of the State University System, filling a vacant seat previously occupied by Charles Lydecker, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective January 13, 2026, for a term ending January 6, 2027.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron DeSantis".

Ron DeSantis
Governor

RD/ch

CourtSmart Tag Report

Room: SB 301

Case No.:

Type:

Caption: Senate Education Postsecondary Committee

Judge:

Started: 2/11/2026 9:01:59 AM

Ends: 2/11/2026 9:07:47 AM

Length: 00:05:48

9:02:00 AM Order
9:02:04 AM Roll call
9:02:16 AM Chair Calatayud gives introductory comments
9:03:15 AM Tabs 1-4: Senate Confirmation
9:03:18 AM Chair Calatayud
9:03:32 AM Sen Simon moves to confirm appointees
9:03:34 AM Roll call
9:03:47 AM Chair Calatayud reports on Senate Confirmations
9:03:54 AM Chair Calatayud
9:05:01 AM Sen Harrell
9:06:48 AM Chair Calatayud
9:07:39 AM Adjournment