

# FLORIDA COUNCIL ON THE SOCIAL STATUS OF BLACK MEN AND BOYS



## Full Council Business Meeting

Thursday, March 9, 2023  
9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Florida A&M University  
Perry Paige Auditorium

## AGENDA

### FCSSBMB Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys

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### I. Welcome - Chairman Jerome Hill:

### II. Roll Call:

### III. Call to Order and Chairman's Remarks:

#### A. Approval of the Agenda:

### IV. ACTION ITEMS:

#### A. Election Vote:

Chairperson: Jerome Hill, T. Willard Fair

Vice-Chair: Pat Smith

1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair: Justine Patterson

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair: Ben Shirley, Jr.

#### B. Budget - Motion to Approve to Purchase of Equipment:

**Office Furniture:** \$23,707.23 - (*Executive Director, Research Coordinator, Administrative Assistant II, and possible Research Assistant*).

**Research Supplies:** \$15,000.00 - (*Research Journal Subscriptions, Research Methodology Books, Editing/Grammar Research Subscriptions*).

#### C. State Statute 16.615 – Motion to Approve to Strike Statute Language:

*(8) Eleven of the members of the Council constitute a quorum, and an affirmative vote of a majority of the members present is required for final action.*

### V. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Notification to Submit Amended LBR - Contact was made to each of the legislative members for assistance to create an FTE and the associated rate for the Research Coordinator position.

#### B. Website Completion:

#### C. OPS Research Assistant Update:

#### D. Council Vacancy Update:

#### E. 50 Partner Initiative Update:

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### VI. NEW BUSINESS:

#### A. Research Topics:

1. Why are black males not completing post-secondary? An examination of dropout rates for black males attending HBCU's?
2. Why are black males not completing post-secondary education? A comparative analysis of dropout rates for black males attending HBCU's?
3. An exploratory study of HBCU support service programs for black males attending HBCU's in Florida.
4. An examination of the retention rates for black males attending HBCU's in Florida.

#### B. HBCU Research Tour- Bethune Cookman University:

#### C. Promoting Healthy Male Conference:

#### D. Council Promotional Materials - (*Letterhead, Brochure, Table banner, etc.*)

#### E. Bylaw Revision – Executive Director:

#### F. Bylaw Revision – Selection Committee:

#### G. Bylaw Revision – Approval of Expenses:

### VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

### VIII. ADJOURNMENT:

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