



I. Trustee Discussion Items
(Attachments)

➤ **FSU Investment Funds Update – Review of FY2019 Performance**

- Attachment #1 – Discussion will focus on: 1) FY2019 Returns and Investment Managers Performance (Core plus Contingency Investment Funds returns exceeded their benchmarks); ii) Asset Class Allocations (FSU and FSU Foundation asset allocations are all within their target ranges); iii) consideration of any direction/allocation targets changes that should be communicated to our fund managers; and, iv) consideration of possible changes in budgeted Investment Funds spending rates (spending policy permits up to 5% of the rolling three-year fund balance average; as we have budgeted different trust funds based on the make-up of asset allocations (with no individual trust fund spending rate exceeding 5%) the average budgeted spending has been under 4% in aggregate (this issue will inform discussion of the second agenda item as well).

➤ **FY2020 Budget Update – Review of Current Status including Student Price Positioning discussion and Consideration of Alternatives to Balance Out-Year Budgets**

- Attachment #2: “A Shared Understanding of the Regional Public Higher Education/Framingham State University Financing Environment – Proposed Responses to Address Projected Out-Year Budget Deficits”. This discussion will include: i) a review of the larger regional public higher education context, ii) review of enrollment trends and assumptions used in the FY2020 Pro Forma Budget; iii) reminder of past years’ expenditure reductions and pro forma assumptions regarding future enrollment, staffing levels, and student charges; iv) identified areas for potential additional expenditure reductions as well as changes that have occurred since budget approval in May that will impact the FY2020 budget as well as out-year pro-forma assumptions; v) review of FSU student price positioning and consideration of the need to adjust out-year assumptions; and, vi) consideration of “additional response levers” as we prepare for the FY2021 budget development cycle.