ACFS meeting June 15th, 2020 ZOOM meeting

This meeting was called by the Chair, Shawn Felton, to discuss the Coronavirus pandemic and
the BOG review of campus plans for Fall semester reopening.

Chancellor Criser joined the ZOOM meeting and gave an overview of the progress of the plans,
their approvals by the individual BOT at each campus, and began a discussion of some of the
most discussed concerns. This including what to do at each campus and how to define a ‘hot
spot’ of infections. The close collaboration and connection of each campus with the local
department of health will be key to managing and making local decisions on how to address any
hot spots that occur across the system. A brief discussion began on the predominant plan to
have students not return after Thanksgiving break (or at least not be forced to come to any face
to face classes). Two institutions were not specifically proposing this currently (FAMU and FIU)
and a brief discussion from members at these institutions ensued to the reasons why they have
chosen not to do this change in on campus schedule.

The Chancellor also mentioned that the FDOH is reviewing the individual plans at each campus
and they he is hopeful that they will give valuable feedback on the plans. One member
mentioned the concern raised that some faculty have secondary appointments in health care
settings, what concern is there that this may increase risk for the campus (i.e. physical therapist
practicing in the community and teaching face to face on campus). This is a new question that is
good to raise in the discussions, potentially at the board meeting.

Another member raised a concern over a new convention being planned in Jacksonville that
coincides with campus reopening. The Chancellor mentioned that each campus needs to work
with their local community to mitigate and make decisions on risks raised by a variety of
activities.

The Chancellor also mentioned to members that these plans are very likely to change – and that
working with the department of health, if significant risks are elevated, then there is always the
chance that we have to return to remote instruction (paraphrased).

A question was raised about reserves (can we tap them) and he responded that this is possible,
there is a process based in statute, but that there are risks with the draw down of reserves,