



UCF Board of Trustees

Governance Committee

September 27, 2024

Agenda Item

GOVC-1: Board of Trustees Policy on Presidential Authority and Delegation

Proposed Action

The Governance Committee is asked to recommend to the Board of Trustees, on its nonconsent agenda, approval of the proposed amendments to the BOT Policy on Presidential Authority and Delegation.

Authority for Board of Trustees Action

Board of Governors Regulation 1.001(2)(f)

Supporting Documentation Included

Attachment A: Board of Trustees Policy on Presidential Authority and Delegation (redline)

Facilitators/Presenters

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Summary of Key Observations/Recommendations

The proposed Policy revisions include:

- Removal of references to DEI and the Florida Equity Report in (1)(f). This is due to changes in law and BOG practice.
- Additional language added to financial management provisions in section 6:
 - add a specific reference to documents and agreements necessary to the clinical functions, at any financial commitment level.
 - clarify the president's authority with regard to service charges and other costs that may be charged for different items – this encompasses things like childcare services, test prep, late fees, fines for damaging equipment.
- Additional language added to section 7 regarding increasing the limit for total project costs that can be approved by the President to \$4 million. This increased project cost level conforms to a change in BOG Regulation 14.001 related to continuing contracts. Additionally, proposed edits clarify that the President's authority in this area includes executing associated documents and contracts.
- Additional language has been added in Section (8) regarding Related Entity boards that the President approve appointments of directors in consultation with you as Board Chair and then provides annual reporting to the Board.

Additional Background

Florida Board of Governors Regulation 1.001(2)(f) provides that each board of trustees shall establish the powers and duties of the university president.

The first Board delegation of authority to the president was approved as a Board policy in 2017, which was amended twice in 2019. The presidential delegation was approved by the Board as a Resolution at the October 22, 2020, meeting, to replace the then-existing Board Policy on Delegation of Authority to the President. The Resolution was subsequently amended on February 28, 2021. At the October 20, 2022, Board meeting, the current Policy on Presidential Authority and Delegation was approved in place of the prior Resolution, with the goal of clarifying and updating the provisions of the prior Resolution.

Implementation Plan

The amended policy would take effect upon approval by the UCF Board of Trustees.

Resource Considerations

N/A