SUBJECT: 7.003 – Fees, Fines and Penalties

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Approve public notice of intent to amend Regulation 7.003.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution and Board Regulation Development Procedure

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This fall universities will begin considering potential new fees to be implemented for fall 2013. The current regulation requires notification in the fall of potential fees that are being considered with final submissions in January. The Budget and Finance Committee then meets in February to consider new fees with the full Board acting upon any Committee recommendations at the next scheduled meeting.

At the June 2012 Committee meeting a modified regulation was presented that:

- Moved the submission date from January to March. This would mean that fee considerations would be held at the June Committee meeting.
- Clarified that the new fee should be for new services or activities that are not currently supported by educational and general funds.
- Prohibits the fee from supplanting other revenue that fund a service or activity.

The Committee requested input from the universities before deciding to make any changes to the regulation. Five of the universities responding indicated that although the late consideration would present challenges in updating systems, notifying students and modifying university regulations they would be able to work through these. Three universities indicated that the modifications would be burdensome on internal practices, policies and procedures and would leave less time to communicate with students about fee changes.
Supporting Documentation Included: Amended Regulation 7.003

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