BOARD OF GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA Budget Committee

Budget Committee
January 24, 2008

SUBJECT: Regulation 9.019 – University Major Gifts Challenge Grant Program

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve public notice of intent to amend Regulation 9.019 for publication on the Board of Governor's web site pursuant to the Board's regulation development procedure.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Section 7(d), Article IX, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Regulation 9.019 provides guidance on the eligibility of gifts and donations for the state major gift matching program created in Section 1011.94 Florida Statute. The existing regulation is being updated to include policies previously outlined in a Chancellor's Policy Guideline (formerly called Chancellor's Memorandum). The most significant change is the deletion of a \$500,000 bundling limitation imposed several years ago to limit the amount of individual private donations that could be bundled together to achieve a higher percentage of state match. This change will allow universities to bundle gifts for a single endowment so that they will be eligible for a higher percentage of state matching funds.

A conference call was held on December 3, 2007 with university foundation directors. Another conference call was held with the university vice presidents for administration and finance on December 19, 2007. In addition, BOG staff worked individually with some institutions to address their questions and concerns.

Pursuant to the regulation development procedure adopted by the Board at its March 23, 2006 meeting, the Board is required to provide public notice by publication on its internet web site at least 30 days before adoption of the proposed regulation.

Supporting Documentation Available: Regulation 9.019 – University Major Gifts

Challenge Grant Program

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