

**BOARD OF GOVERNORS
STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
Strategic Planning and Academic and System Oversight Committee
November 20, 2008**

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 3.004 -
Honorary Degrees

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve public notice of intent to amend Regulation 3.004 for publication on the Board of Governors 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 3.004 currently requires the university president to submit names of nominees for honorary degrees for the advice and consent of the Executive Committee of the Board of Regents.

The amended regulation delegates decision-making authority for the award of honorary degrees to the university boards of trustees. Universities must develop policies and procedures for recommending candidates for honorary degrees and provide a copy of these policies and procedures to the Office of the Board of Governors.

This regulation has been reviewed by the university general counsels, Council of Academic Vice Presidents (CAVP), and the State University System academic contacts.

Pursuant to the regulation 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 Included: Regulation 3.004 Honorary Degrees

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