BOARD OF GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA Academic Programs / Strategic Planning Committee

June 14, 2007

SUBJECT: Approval of Board of Governors Regulation 6C-8.001 for University Calendars

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve Board of Governors Regulation 6C-8.001 for University Calendars

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Section 7(d), Art. IX, Florida Constitution Section 1001.705, Florida Statutes

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The 6C-8.001 University Calendars regulation was approved for public notice at the March 2007 Board of Governors' meeting. The regulation is amended to update references related to governance and to be in alignment with State Board of Education Rule, 6A-10.019, "Required Annual Calendar for Schools and Colleges." Alignment of calendars is necessary in order to facilitate the timely progression of students from one educational sector to another, and between institutions in the same sector.

New College of Florida's 4-1-4 structure of class terms necessitates "spring" term starting usually in late January. The regulation is amended to allow for a permanent exception so that New College does not have to seek approval each year.

Summary of Changes from the March 2007 Version

This proposed regulation has been revised as a result of comments and suggestions received during the public notice period. Subsection (4) requiring the annual university academic calendar to be provided to the Chancellor has been moved to the end of the regulation and renumbered subsection (6). Subsection (5) which provided an exception for New College of Florida has been renumbered subsection (4), and a new subsection (5) has been added to provide an exception for doctoral-level professional programs to operate under different year-round calendars due to clinical influences and other factors.

Supporting Documentation Included: Amended Regulation

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