6C-17.003 Approval. 17.001 Lease Authority

(1) The Chancellor or Chancellor's designee The Board of Trustees or designee shall approve may enter into the need to leases for space -before a in a building or any part of a building is leased-for use by a university or university direct-support organization, including those leases in a research and development park with which the university is affiliated. Leases subject to s. 1010.62 F.S. must be approved by the Board of Governors, in accordance with the Board of Governors Debt Management Guidelines. Prior approval is not required for leases of less than 120 consecutive days and those for nominal or no consideration.

Specific Authority 240.209(1), (3)(p), (r) FS. Law Implemented 240.205(6), 240.209(1), (3)(p), 255.25 FS. History–New 12-30-79, Amended 8-11-85, Formerly 6C-17.03, Amended 6-5-96.

6C-17.004 Standard Lease Agreement Form.

(1) The Board of Regents Standard Lease Agreement form (incorporatedherein by reference) shall be used to execute a lease for any space.

(2) A lease may contain an option to renew.

Specific Authority 240.209(1), (3)(p), (r), 255 FS. Law Implemented 240.205(6), -240.209(1), (3)(p), 255.249(3) FS. History-New 12-30-79, Amended 8-11-85, Formerly 6C-17.04, Amended 6-5-96.

6C-17.009 Leases of 3,000 5,000 Square Feet or More.

(2) The Board Office No university shall not enter into a lease for -3,000-5,000 square feet or more of space in a privately owned building, within any 12 month period, except upon advertisement for and receipt of competitive bids or proposals as determined by the University. In the case of invitiations to bid, the award shall be made to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder. In the case of competitive proposals, the award shall be made to the responsive and responsible proposor whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the University, taking into consideiration the price and other criteria set forth in the request for proposals. If the University elects to enter into a negotiation with responding proposers, the President or designee must specify why negotiation will assist the University in is necessary in order to achievinge the best leasing value for the University. Cost savings related to the University's procurement process are not sufficient justification for negotiation.

_ The award shall be made to the lowest responsive bidder meetingspecifications and shall include the terms and conditions of the bid as submitted.

(a) Exceptions to Competitive <u>Solicitation</u> Bid Requirements:

1. Competitive <u>solicitations</u> bids shall not be required for renewal of leases <u>as</u> <u>provided in the original lease</u>.

2. Competitive bids solicitations shall not be required for any lease having a

term of less than 120 consecutive days which is for the purpose of securing a onetime special use of the leased property.

3. Competitive <u>solicitations</u> bids shall not be required for any lease which is for nominal or no consideration.

4. Competitive <u>solicitations</u> bids shall not be required to extend an existing lease of <u>5,000</u> –<u>or more</u>3,000 square feet <u>or more space</u>, if the extension is determined to be in the best interest of the <u>State-University</u> and the total of the extension does not exceed 11 months. <u>If at the end of the 11th month the</u> <u>University still needs space, it shall be procured by competitive solicitation.</u> However, if the University determines that a lease extensionit is in its best interest to remain in the space it currently occupies is in its best interest, <u>-</u>the <u>University may negotiate a replacement lease with the landlord</u>. <u>-if aAn</u> independent market rates for the space and the cost of the new lease does not exceed the cost of a comparable lease plus documented moving costs. The term of such replacement lease may not exceed the base term of the expiring lease.

<u>5. Competitive soliciations bids shall not be required when leasing educational facilities in a research and development park with which the university is affiliated. The university board of trustees or designee must certify in writing that the leasing of such educational facilities is in the best interests of the university and that the exemption from competitive bid requirements is not detrimental to the state, pursuant to s. 1013.17, F.S.</u>

6. Competitive solicitations shall not be required when leasing specialized research, medical or educational facilities, if the President or the President's designee certifies in writing that said facility is available from a single source and that compliance with competitive bid requirements would be detrimental to the University.

7. Competitive solicitations shall not be required in an emergency, when leasing space is necessary because an existing state-owned or leased space is destroyed or rendered uninhabitable by an act of God, fire, malicious destruction, or structural failure, or by legal action, upon certification by the President or his designee that other University controlled space is not available and the term of any such lease does not exceed 18 months, provided the University may modify the lease to extend it on month to month basis for up to 6 additional months to allow completion of such construction or renovations.

<u>8. Competitive solicitations shall not be required when leasing facilities in a hospital or other medical facilities, such as a medical office building, with which the University is affiliated.</u>

(2) Negotiations following a bid shall not include the authority to alter or amend its provisions.

(3) The Board Office shall not enter into a lease agreement for space of 3,000 square feet or more in a privately owned building when suitable space is available in a stateowned building or publicly owned building located in the same geographic region unless the Chancellor or the Chancellor's designee determines that the space is required in order to fulfill the Board's statutory duties.

(4) Public Notice

(a) The Board Office shall give public notice of its need for space in excess of 3,000 square feet.

(b) Public notice shall include, at least, the following:

1. Approximate square footage;

2. General location;

3. Availability date;

4. Board Office contact person and address for specifications; and

5. Public opening date.

(5) Specifications

(a) Specifications shall be written in general terms. They shall not be written tobenefit any specific location or lessor.

(b) Specifications shall include, at least, the following:

1. Approximate square footage measured in accordance with the State University-System Standard Method of Space Measurement;

2. An approximate floor plan, outlining special and other physical requirements;

3. General location;

4. Availability date;

5. Terms and conditions of lease agreement; and

6. Services required.

(c) Specifications shall require the prospective lessor to:

1. Contract using the Board Office Standard Lease Agreement form;

2. Provide a scaled floor plan of available rental space;

3. Comply with Chapter 60D-1, Florida Administrative Code, Standards for Special Facilities for Physically Disabled;

4. Be an Equal Opportunity Employer;

5. Provide Full Disclosure Statements of Ownership;

6. Guarantee the bid proposal for a minimum of thirty (30) days following the public opening date; and

7. Propose a rental rate per square foot per year, including renovation and other special requirements, at the time of initial occupancy.

(6) Proposals

(a) The prospective lessor's bids or proposals may exceed the published-specifications.

(b) Each bid on a proposal shall be signed by the owner(s), corporate officers, or legal representative(s). The corporate, trade, or partnership name must be either stamped, handwritten or typewritten beside the actual signature(s). If the bid on a proposal is signed by an agent, written evidence of his authority must accompany the proposal. If a corporation foreign to the State of Florida is the owner, evidence of authority to conduct business in Florida shall be presented.

(7) Evaluation

The Board Office shall evaluate all bids and proposals, on the basis of published criteria. The Board Office shall reserve the right to accept or reject any or all bids or proposals and shall give notice of results.

(8) Ownership Disclosure Statements

(a) The Board Office shall require a full disclosure statement from the prospectivelessor in accordance with the provisions of Section 255.249(2)(h) and (i), Florida-Statutes.

(b) Each transaction pertaining to a lease for which a Disclosure Statement has been provided, may be accompanied by a lessor's affidavit that the previous Disclosure-Statement is still valid.

Specific Authority 240.209(1), (3)(p), (r) FS. Law Implemented 240.205(6), 240.209(1), (3)(p), 255.249(2)(b), (h), (i), 255.25(3) FS. History-New 12-30-79, Amended 8-11-85, Formerly 6C-17.09, Amended 6-5-96.

6C-17.010 Legal Review.

The Board's General Counsel or designee shall review all leases.

Specific Authority 240.209(1), (3)(p), (r) FS. Law Implemented 240.205(6), 240.209(1), (3)(p) FS. History — New 12-30-79, Amended 8-11-85, Formerly 6C-17.10, – Repromulgated 6-5-96.

6C-17.011 Certification of Compliance for Leases of Less Than 3,000 Square-Feet.

The Chancellor shall certify that any lease of space for less than 3,000 square feet is in compliance with all leasing criteria provided by Chapter 255, Florida Statutes.

Specific Authority 240.209(1), (3)(p), (r), 240.225 FS. Law Implemented 240.205(6), 240.209(1), (3)(p), 255.249(2)(k), (3) FS. History-New 12-30-79, Amended 8-11-85, Formerly 6C-17.11, Amended 6-5-96.

6C-17.012 Leased Space Measurement.

(3) The measurement of <u>leasesd</u> space shall be based on the method of measurement used by the State University System for gross square feet as described in the <u>current</u> Physical Facilities Space File 1996/97. A copy of this document is incorporated in this rule<u>regulation</u> by reference.

Specific Authority 240.209(1), (3)(p), (r), 240.225 FS. Law Implemented 240.205(6), 240.209(1), (3)(p), 255.249(2)(c) FS. History–New 12-30-79, Amended 5-19-80, 8-11-85, Formerly 6C-17.12, Amended 6-5-96

6C-17.013 Space Allocation.

The allocation of space shall be consistent with generated need based on the State-University System of Florida Fixed Capital Outlay Space Needs Generation Formula, May, 1995, and shall be in accordance with Chapter 6A-2, Florida Administrative Code. A copy of this document is incorporated in this rule by reference.

Specific Authority 240.209(1), (3)(p), (r) FS. Law Implemented 240.205(6), 240.209(1), (3)(p), 255.249(2)(d) FS. History New 12-30-79, Amended 5-19-80, 8-11-85, Formerly 6C-17.13, Amended 6-5-96.

6C-17.014 Rental Rates.

The Board Office shall use the state established rates for leased space, unless special eircumstances dictate otherwise.

Specific Authority 240.209(1), (3)(p), (r) FS. Law Implemented 240.205(6), 240.209(1), (3)(p), 255.249(2)(g) FS. History New 12-30-79, Amended 5-19-80, 8-11-85, Formerly 6C-17.14, Amended 6-5-96.

6C-17.016 Nominal or No Consideration Leases.

Leases for nominal or no consideration shall be reported to the Chancellor annually.

Specific Authority 240.209(1), (3)(p), (r) FS. Law Implemented 240.205(6), 240.209(1), (3)(p), 255.249(2)(j) FS. History-New 12-30-79, Amended 8-11-85, Formerly 6C-17.16, Repromulgated 6-5-96.

6C-17.017 Special Facilities for the Physically Disabled - Leased Space.

(1) Compliance with Standards. The Board Office <u>Each University</u> shall insure that any space it leases complies with the standards of the Department of Management-Services as found in Chapter 553, part V, Florida Statutes.

(2) Standards Waived or Modified. The Chancellor shall establish a committee todetermine whether to seek modifications or a waiver of the standards as found in Chapter 553, part V, Florida Statutes.

Specific Authority 240.209(1), (3)(p), (r) FS. Law Implemented 240.209(1), (3)(p), -255.21, 553, Part V FS. History-New 9-25-80, Amended 8-11-85, Formerly 6C-17.17, Amended 6-5-96.