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Student Affairs Committee

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AGENDA

**Support for Graduate Assistants in the
State University System**

**Orientation for New Committee
Members**

Building World-Class Academic Programs and Research Capacity:

Support for Graduate Assistants in the State University System

Recommendations from CAVP/SUPA

- ➔ **Propose a statutory change to include graduate assistants as a category of individuals who shall be classified as Florida residents for tuition purposes. [Section 1009.21(10), Florida Statutes]**
- ➔ **Request annual supplement for health insurance for graduate assistants and post-docs.**

Orientation for New Committee Members

Key Roles to Consider from the Florida Constitution & the FBOG Master Powers and Duties

- **Define each constituent university's “articulation with free public schools and community colleges.”**
- **“Develop policies governing access, enrollment, admissions, matriculation, and graduation.”**

Key Roles to Consider

- **Review existing statutes, rules, and policies regarding student affairs issues to determine:**
 - which items need to be addressed in State Board of Education rules that are adopted via FBOG resolution;
 - which items need to be addressed in new FBOG policies; and
 - which duties need to be devolved to the universities.

For Example

Statutes, Rules, and Policies Regarding:

- **Residency**
- **Articulation**
- **Student Rights and Responsibilities**
- **Health and Welfare/Safety**
- **Admissions and Records**
- **Assessment**
- **Fees**
- **Scholarships**
- **Athletics**

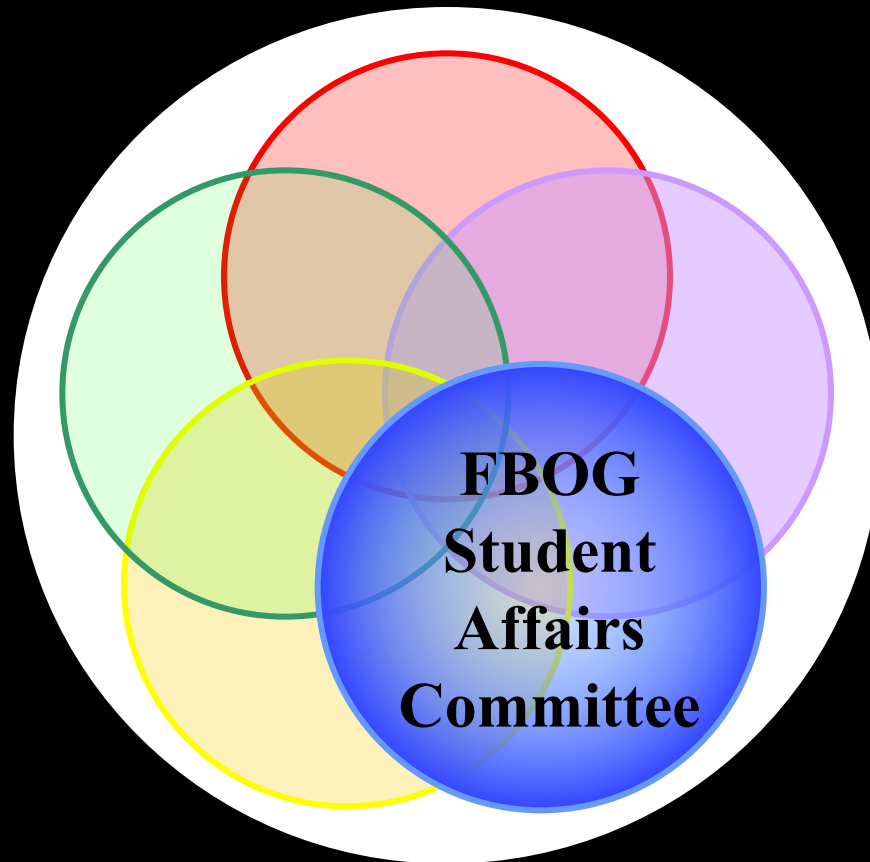
Other Key Roles to Consider

- **Examine student and student affairs issues that rise to a System level of interest, and generate recommendations for the full Board's consideration.**
- **Monitor national and federal issues that might warrant a response from the FBOG upon the Committee's recommendation.**

For Example

- **Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act.**
- **Title IX: Equal opportunity for women and sexual harassment protection.**
- **Section 504 and ADA: Disability rights.**
- **Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA).**
- **First Amendment rights.**
- **Student Right-to-Know & Campus Security Act.**

**Ensure that the Student Affairs perspective
(and, more importantly, the **STUDENT** perspective)
is represented in all relevant FBOG committee and full
FBOG discussions.**



Changes to Which Universities Must Respond

Changes in Contexts and Clientele

- **Significant enrollment growth.**
- **Demographic shifts.**
- **Uneven success with students from underrepresented groups.**
- **Concern regarding cost of higher education and burden of debt.**
- **Expanding use of information technologies.**

Changes to Which Universities Must Respond

Changes in Contexts and Clientele

- Increasing violence.
- New accountability in higher education.
- Shifts in public confidence.
- New revenues becoming increasingly scarce.
- Growing array of state and federal statutes, regulations, initiatives, and judicial interventions.

Changes to Which Universities Must Respond

Additional Challenges

- Criticism of the moral and ethical climate on campuses.
- Increasing health challenges for students.
- Institutions of higher learning are also influenced by social and political issues, including multiculturalism, personal responsibility, and equal opportunity.

Top Issues for SUS Student Affairs VPs

- Student services for growing and increasingly diverse populations.
- Cost of education for students and questions regarding need-based financial aid.
- Student health and insurance issues.
- Technology, facilities, and funding for student services.
- Student conduct and safety.

What Do SUS Student Governments Say Are the Most Critical Issues?

- **Protect the Bright Futures Scholarship & Florida's Prepaid College Plan.**
- **Keep Florida a low-tuition state.**
- **Ensure Legislature's full funding for higher education.**
- **Ensure enrollment growth.**
- **Ensure student representation on all committees dealing with tuition and fees.**

Discussion with Campus Representatives

Which Issues Rise to a State Level of Interest, and Which Issues Need to be Handled at the Campus Level?

Questions & Comments

NEXT STEPS?