

BOARD OF GOVERNORS
STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
Academic Programs Team
May 13, 2009

SUBJECT: Providing Flexibility in Approval and Termination Processes

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Consider Providing Flexibility in the Approval and Termination Processes to Assist Universities as they respond to Budget Reductions

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Section 7(d), Article IX, Florida Constitution; 1007.25(8) F. S.; Regulation 6C-8.014

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Board of Governors has adopted a number of regulations that set into place sequenced processes for action at both the university level and the BOG level. In addition, each of the BOG committees and subcommittees has adopted work plans that will coordinate planning activities and anticipated actions over the next two years.

In order to respond more quickly to budget reductions several universities may find themselves fast-tracking program approval and termination requests through their boards of trustees. Under such circumstances there are a number of time sensitive budget and personnel issues that must be dealt with as programs are terminated, suspended, reorganized, or reclassified. For those actions that also need to be approved by the Board of Governors, the universities have requested that the BOG remain flexible over the next few months by allowing some items to follow parallel approval tracks through both the university boards and BOG, or to be taken up out-of-calendar on the BOG work plans.

Documentation Included: None

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