

BOARD OF GOVERNORS
STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
Student Affairs and Campus Life Committee
June 18, 2009

SUBJECT: Excessive Alcohol Use on Campus

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

For Information

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

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

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The issue of excessive alcohol use on campus was identified by the SUS Council for Student Affairs (CSA) as one of four priorities during a November 2008 meeting with Governor Duncan, Chair of the BOG Student Affairs Committee. The SUS vice presidents have found that the negative consequences associated with excessive alcohol use often interfere with SUS students' academic progress, personal development, and time to degree completion. As a result of this recommendation, "Excessive Alcohol Use" appears in the 2009 Work Plan of the BOG Student Affairs Committee.

This meeting will introduce the subject and identify the critical issues relating to excessive alcohol use on SUS campuses. All state universities employ staff to coordinate substance abuse prevention efforts and operate within a state coalition called the Florida Higher Education Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention. The work of this coalition will be reviewed, the role of state statutes and municipal ordinances in alcohol abuse prevention will be discussed, and state university programs and community coalitions, including the University of Central Florida's exemplary program, will be presented.

Supporting Documentation Included:

1. Florida Higher Education Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention Handout
2. Report: Alcohol and Campus Risk Management

Facilitators / Presenters: FHEASAP staff; UCF Student Affairs staff