

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Task Force on University Research
September 22, 2016**

SUBJECT: State University System Research and Innovation Metrics “Dashboard”

PROPOSED TASK FORCE ACTION

Consider the approval of a “dashboard” of metrics to document the progress made by the State University System on research and innovation

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

At the June Board meeting, the Vice Presidents for Research of all 12 public universities met with the Board of Governors to discuss strategies identified in the Board of Governor’s Research Work Plan that are designed to help the SUS achieve national and international prominence in research. Strategies discussed included the recruitment of top research faculty and graduate students, the need for state-of-the-art research facilities necessary to attract star faculty, and collaborations with business and industry to further statewide economic development. The Board of Governors and the Vice Presidents for Research also discussed the need for a dashboard of possible metrics that could be used to document progress in elevating SUS research.

The Board will consider for approval a proposed dashboard of approximately 15 metrics that quantify research activity and progress in the categories of “Research Contracts and Grants,” “Innovation,” “People” and “ROI.”

Supporting Documentation Included: Draft of SUS Research and Innovation Metrics Dashboard

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