STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Task Force on Academic and Workforce Alignment

March 29, 2023

SUBJECT: Recommendation 4: Best Practices for University-Employer Partnerships

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

For information

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In January 2022, the Board of Governors approved the Task Force on Academic and Workforce Alignment's recommendations, which aim to strengthen the relationship between State University System institutions and the Florida business community.

The fourth task force recommendation directs the Board office to facilitate a workgroup to develop best practices for university advisory councils and guidelines for effective business partnerships. Board staff convened a workgroup of academic and student affairs staff to develop best practices to address this recommendation. These best practices provide strategies universities can use to strengthen employer relationships, thereby supporting students' workforce preparation, facilitating university research, and encouraging university support from employer partners.

Ms. Emily Sikes, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives and Economic Development, will provide an overview of the best practices designed to strengthen university-employer partnerships.

Supporting Documentation Included: Best Practices for University-

Employer Partnerships

Facilitators/Presenters: Ms. Emily Sikes