STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

January 24, 2024

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Approval of Amendment of Board of Governors

Regulation 6.006, Acceleration Mechanisms

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider approval of Public Notice of Approval of Amendment of Board of Governors Regulation 6.006, Acceleration Mechanisms.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Board of Governors Regulation 6.006, Acceleration Mechanisms, defines and outlines acceleration mechanisms available for students to earn college credits before enrolling at a state university and shorten their time to a degree.

The regulation includes a specific list of approved credit-by-examinations, including those associated with the Advanced Placement Program of the College Board, the International Baccalaureate Program, the Advanced International Certificate of Education Program, DANTES/DSST, Excelsior College, Defense Language Proficiency Test, and the College-Level Examination Program.

Board staff proposed an amendment to align the regulation with House Bill 1537, which was signed into law on May 10, 2023. The law requires the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education to develop courses that align with section 1007.25, Florida Statutes, for students in secondary education. For each course developed, the Department of Education must annually identify and publish the minimum scores, maximum credits, and course or courses for which credit will be awarded.

To accommodate these new courses, Board staff proposed deleting the specific list of examinations from the regulation and referencing the Articulation Coordinating Committee Credit-by-Exam Guidelines as annually approved by the Board of Governors.

The second part of the proposed amendment recognizes the Credit or Clock Hour for Law Enforcement Experience Equivalency List as an acceleration mechanism that the Board of Governors approved at its August 30, 2023, meeting. This is a list of postsecondary course equivalencies and the minimum postsecondary credit or career education clock hours that must be awarded for law enforcement training and experience.

