FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS NOTICE OF PROPOSED NEW REGULATION

DATE: May 13, 2016

REGULATION NUMBER AND TITLE: 1.002 Presidential Search and Selection

SUMMARY: This new regulation is being proposed to implement best practices related to conducting presidential searches and the selection of university presidents. The proposed regulation clarifies the roles and responsibilities of the university boards of trustees, search committees, the Board of Governors, and the Chancellor with respect to the search and selection process.

FULL TEXT OF THE REGULATION IS INCLUDED WITH THIS NOTICE.

AUTHORITY TO PROPOSE REGULATION(S): Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const.; BOG Regulation Development Procedure dated March 23, 2006.

THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS' OFFICIAL INITIATING THE PROPOSED REGULATION: Vikki Shirley, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

COMMENTS REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. The comments must identify the regulation on which you are commenting:

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Regulation 1.002 Presidential Search and Selection

- (1) Pursuant to a delegation of authority from the Board of Governors, each board of trustees is responsible for conducting a search and selecting a candidate to serve as the president of the institution, subject to confirmation of the candidate by the Board of Governors. To ensure that the search process is transparent, robust, and designed to attract highly qualified individuals, each university board of trustees must conduct the search process in accordance with the following criteria:
 - (a) The Chair of the board of trustees, in consultation with the Chair of the Board of <u>Governors, shall appoint the members of a search committee comprised of no</u> <u>more than 15 members, one of whom must be a member of the Board of</u> <u>Governors and at least three of whom are members of the board of trustees.</u> <u>Committee members selected to serve on the search committee should consist of</u> <u>individuals from the institution's faculty, the student body, the institution's</u> <u>foundation board, and, if applicable, the institution's financing corporation</u> <u>board. However, none of the individuals selected to serve on the search</u> <u>committee should hold positions that report directly to the president. In</u> <u>addition, the Chair of the board of trustees should consider appointing alumni,</u> <u>donors, and/or members from the community where the institution is located to</u> <u>serve on the search committee. The Chair of the board of trustees will appoint a</u> <u>trustee member of the search committee to serve as chair of the committee.</u>
 - (b) After the search committee is formed, the board of trustees or its designee:
 - Shall obtain an executive compensation analysis that encompasses all components (salary, benefits, bonuses, and all other forms of remuneration) and that takes into consideration compensation paid to the current president, presidents of peer institutions, as well as other relevant factors (such as market trends, the available qualified pool and relevant competition for candidates), from which the search committee will establish a range of compensation that will be submitted to the board of trustees for approval and use by the board of trustees or its designee in negotiating the employment contract with the final candidate;
 - ii. <u>May retain the services of an executive search firm/consultant, subject to a</u> <u>competitive procurement process or use of a competitively procured, pre-qualified</u> <u>list, if total compensation will exceed the threshold established in Board Regulation</u>

- ii. Establishing a calendar of public events for the process as they are planned that takes into account the need to align the timing of the selection process with the estimated timeline specified by the board of trustees to the extent feasible, and meeting dates of the board of trustees, and of the Board of Governors for purposes of the confirmation process:
- iii. <u>Developing recommended position criteria that are consistent with the institution's</u> <u>mission, strategic plan and aspirational goals, which shall be approved by the board</u> <u>of trustees;</u>
- iv. Approving a marketing plan, that will be submitted to the board of trustees:
- v. Identifying individuals through the use of a nomination, application, and

prior to execution for compliance with state law, that is consistent with the compensation range approved by the board of trustees, and that is contingent upon confirmation of the candidate by the Board of Governors (with any term sheet being followed by such a contract); and

iv. <u>Submitting a written description of the selection process and criteria, the president-</u>elect's