

Item: <u>AF: A-4</u>

AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 19, 2012

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO AMEND REGULATION 6.003 – GRANTS, CONTRACTS AND UNRESTRICTED GIFT FUNDS.

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Recommend that the Board of Trustees amend FAU Regulation 6.003—Grants, Contracts and Unrestricted Gift Funds.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

FAU Regulation 6.003 addresses procedures for sponsored and directed research activities involving grants or contracts. The proposed amendments update the regulation to reflect current practices and organizational titles.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

Immediately upon passage by the BOT.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable.

Supporting Documentation:

FAU Regulation 6.003

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<u>Regulation -6.003 Grants, Contracts and Unrestricted Gift</u> Funds.

(1) (1) The purpose of this ruleregulation is to define the general policies for all sponsored and directed research activities involving grants or contracts, provide procedures for submitting proposals for outside support, and define the roles of delegated individuals.

(2) (2) The SponsoredVice President for Research Administrator will approve, or designee, is responsible for approving all research, grant, and contract proposals after reviewing them to insureensure that they conform to University, Board of RegentsTrustees, and state rules, regulations, policies and laws. All proposals will also be reviewed to insureensure that they are in proper form for submission to the potential sponsors and that implied or definite University commitment of funds, space, and personnel can be met.

(3) (3) The University Controller Division of Research shall be responsible for budget control, record keeping, formal financial reports and accounting for all contract contracts, and grant funds. The sponsored research development trust fund, which is derived from grant overhead cost sharing, will be accounted for in a separate fund. The University Controller Division of Research will maintain such records and make such reports as are required by law and by the administrator of the Division of Sponsored Research using acceptable accounting practices. The Controller and the Division of Research Administrator will be responsible for determining that expenditures are made in accordance with the terms of the grant or contract, as well as in accordance with the applicable University rules, regulations of the Division of Sponsored Research and policies.

(4) (4) The President, or the University Provostdesignee, is authorized, on behalf of the Board of RegentsTrustees, to enter into and execute contracts and to accept grants for research. Subcontracts, expenditures and other commitments may be made only after official notification of the grant award is made to the University, unless the contract carries the following or its equivalent: "This contract (or agreement) is contingent upon receipt by Florida Atlantic University of funds from ______ (Granting Agency) for ______ (Grant Title)." Solicitation of bids should be made to qualified firms, agencies or persons. Advice and assistance of the Director of Procurement should be

utilized by the Principal Investigator. The best and lowest bid is to be selected. The contract is to be signed by the Principal Investigator, the Dean of the College concerned and the President or the University Provost.______(Grant Title).",

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Specific Authority: 240.241 (2) FS. Law Implemented 240.241 FS. Article IX of the Florida Constitution, 1001.706, F.S., Board of Governors Regulation 1.001. History– New 10-1-75, Amended 5-24-76, 12-17-78, Formerly 6C5-6.03, Amended 11-11-87. Formerly 6C5-6.003.–Amended 5-24-12.

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