

Item: AF: I-1

### **AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, June 15, 2011

Subject: Review of Summary of Follow-Up on Audit Recommendations
Scheduled to be Implemented during the Period of January 1
Through March 31, 2011

#### PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Information Only.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Office of Inspector General performs follow-up procedures for all outstanding audit recommendations on a regular basis. For the quarter ended March 31, 2011, we reviewed a total of seven audit recommendations resulting in the following conclusions:

- 1 recommendation was found to be fully implemented;
- 4 recommendations were partially implemented; and,
- 2 (Auditor General) recommendations were not implemented and have been, or will be, replaced by similar comments in their reports. For one of these recommendations, management believes that, based on recent correspondence with federal agencies, the issue has been addressed pending review/follow-up by the Auditor General's office.

We have obtained new expected implementation dates from the auditees responsible for the partially implemented recommendations. These recommendations will be subject to additional follow-up in the future.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

Not Applicable.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable.

**Supporting Documentation:** OIG Schedule of Follow-Up on Audit Recommendations

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# FAU-OIG SUMMARY OF FOLLOW-UP ON AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS SCHEDULED TO BE IMPLEMENTED DURING THE PERIOD OF 1/1 - 3/31/11

IMPLEMENTED (1)							
AUDIT TITLE	AUDIT REPORT #	AUDIT RECOMMENDATION #	COMMENT TITLE	AUDITEE	RESPONSIBLE MANAGER	PENDING ISSUES	NEW EXPECTED IMPLEMENTATION DATE
Student Government Association	FAU08/09-4	1	Need for Expanded SGA Internal Fiscal Policies and Procedures	Terry Mena/ Ayden Maher	Dr. Charles Brown	N/A	N/A

PARTIALLY IMPLEMENTED (4)								
AUDIT TITLE	AUDIT REPORT #	AUDIT RECOMMENDATION #	COMMENT TITLE	AUDITEE	RESPONSIBLE MANAGER	PENDING ISSUES	NEW EXPECTED IMPLEMENTATION DATE	
Student Government Association	FAU08/09-4	3	Untimely Submission of Travel Authorization Requests	Terry Mena/ Ayden Maher	Dr. Charles Brown	Management needs to ensure that all travelers comply with FAU Travel Policy which states that all Travel Authorization Requests (TARs) are required to be submitted prior to the commencement of travel.	10/31/11	
Student Government Association	FAU08/09-4	7	Money Collection Accountability Deficiencies	Terry Mena/ Ayden Maher	Dr. Charles Brown	Management needs to ensure that the Check or Money Handling Policies in the Student Government (SG) Accounting & Budget Office Manual are revised to indicate the performance of a periodic, documented, independent reconciliation, and there is consistent compliance with the updated Check or Money Handling Policies.	10/31/11	
Student Health Services	FAU09/10-3	1.1	Billing to Students (Accounts Receivable)	Cathie Wallace	Dr. Charles Brown	Management needs to develop policies and procedures as part of implementing an automated system for student health charges.	8/1/11	

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PARTIALLY IMPLEMENTED (continued)								
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Student Health Services	FAU09/10-3	1.2	Third Party (Insurance) Billings and Payments	Cathie Wallace	Dr. Charles Brown	Management needs to develop policies and procedures to document the processes of entering insurance information, reviewing of services, preparing invoices, submitting invoices, and reconciling insurance payments.	8/1/11	

NOT IMPLEMENTED – See below for explanations (2)							
AUDIT TITLE	AUDIT REPORT #	AUDIT RECOMMENDATION #	COMMENT TITLE`	AUDITEE	RESPONSIBLE MANAGER	PENDING ISSUES	NEW EXPECTED IMPLEMENTATION DATE
Operational Audit of FAU	AG10-131	12	Pharmaceutical Inventory	Cathie Wallace	Dr. Charles Brown	N/A *	N/A
Federal Awards	AG10-165	107	Allowable Costs/Cost Principles – Cost Accounting Standards (CAS) Exemptions	JoAnn Moretti	Dr. Barry Rosson	N/A **	N/A

<sup>\*</sup> Based on inquiry of Auditor General personnel, we noted that during fieldwork for the Auditor General's current (fiscal year ended 6/30/11) Operational Audit of FAU, it was determined that the abovementioned recommendation was not implemented. As such, we anticipate that this recommendation will be replaced by one with similar comments. We will perform testwork on the new recommendation during the appropriate future follow-up cycle. The report for the Operational Audit is expected to be issued in March 2012.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The Auditor General's most recent Federal Awards audit (Report No. 2011-167) indicated that follow-up had been performed for the abovementioned recommendation and a repeat comment was issued. As such, the audit recommendation has been replaced by a similar audit recommendation. We anticipate performing testwork on this new recommendation during the follow-up cycle 1/1 – 3/31/12. Management believes that based on recent correspondence with Federal agencies, this recommendation has been addressed pending review/follow-up by the Auditor General's office.