

**THE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**11 September 2007**

**SUBJECT: POLICY ON CENTERS AND INSTITUTES**

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION:**

Adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the Chancellor of the Florida Board of Governors issued Policy Guideline 04.07.27, establishing policies and procedures for approving, classifying, operating, reviewing, and disbanding institutes and centers in the state University System and the Board of Governors has recently requested that universities act quickly to establish such policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS the Policy Guideline 04.07.27 required that each institution develop and publish clearly defined guidelines consistent with the System policies for establishing operating, evaluating/reviewing, and disbanding university institutes and centers; and

WHEREAS the Policy Guideline 04.07.27 provides, "Each university president or provost, if so designated by the trustees, may grant authorization for the development and implementation of university institutes and centers."; and

WHEREAS the proposed Florida International University Policy "Centers and Institutes at Florida International University", attached hereto as Exhibit "I", is intended to establish the University's policy guidelines and will replace 13.22 Center and Institute Quality Assurance 13.20 Role of Centers and Institutes, and 13.21 Initiations, Operation, and Disbanding of Centers and Institutes in the Academic Affairs Policy Manual;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Florida International University Board of Trustees (the BOT) hereby approves the request for adoption of the proposed policy "Centers and Institutes at Florida International University" to establish clearly defined guidelines consistent with the System Policies;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the BOT authorizes the University President to file the policy "Centers and Institutes at Florida International University" with the Florida Board of Governors, and designates the university president as the individual who may grant authorization for the development and implementation of university institutes and centers at Florida International University.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY:**

**Chancellor's Policy Guideline on Institutes and Centers #PG 04.07.27**, states in part:

Each institution shall develop and publish clearly defined guidelines consistent with System policies for establishing operating, evaluating/reviewing, and disbanding university institutes and centers

**Resolution of the Florida Board of Governors, dated January 7, 2003. Resolution delegating and delineating powers of local boards of trustees**, states in part:

Each board of trustees shall perform all duties assigned by law or by the Board of Governors.

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**EXHIBITS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

- EXHIBIT "I" – FIU OFFICIAL UNIVERSITY POLICY – CENTERS AND INSTITUTES AT FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
- APPENDIX A – FIU REQUEST FOR A NEW CENTER OR INSTITUTE
- APPENDIX B – FIU ANNUAL CENTER/INSTITUTE REPORT
- APPENDIX C – FIU CENTER/INSTITUTE DISBANDMENT FORM