

FSU Policy 2-3

Title of Policy: Governing Board Control
Responsible Executive: President
Approving Official: Provost
Effective Date: May 10, 2013
Revision History: New May 10, 2013

Purpose:

To assure that governing board control over institutional policy is maintained.

Policy Statement:

No policy, by whatever name known, may be adopted by a university executive, administrator, or staff which is not within the authority granted by the Florida Board of Governors to the Board of Trustees, or by some other legal means, and which has been delegated by the Board of Trustees to the President.

No university executive, administrator, or staff may adopt any policy, by whatever name known, without having been granted authority to adopt such policy, either by specific delegation from a superior with such authority or by virtue of the specific authority within that person's job description and area of authority.

This Policy shall be reviewed and, as appropriate, revised by the President every seven years.

Legal Support and Justification:

Governing board control of institutional policy is defined and limited by basic governing legal authorities: the Florida Constitution, the Florida Board of Governors Regulation 1.001 delegating its constitutional authority to the university boards of trustees, and the Florida State University Board of Trustees' delegation of authority to the President.

The Florida Constitution provides that the individual university boards of trustees administer the university with the university board's powers and duties established by the Board of Governors.

The Florida Board of Governors has defined the individual university boards of trustees' authority by Regulation 1.001.

The Florida State University Board of Trustees has delegated certain of its powers and duties to the President by formal delegation.

The President has further delegated some of his authority through specific writings and individual official executive and administrator appointments. Such authority must be evidenced through a formal writing or exist by virtue of authority granted to a particular executive or administrative position.

University legislation is adopted in the form of Regulations enacted by the Board of Trustees under specific procedure and authority of the Florida Board of Governors. No university policy, either by way of official Board of Trustee's Regulations or by university policy adopted by other means, is authorized except as within this established legal structure and authority and as provided here.

Garnett J. Stoters 5/10/2013 (signature of Approving Authority, date)