Committee: Finance, Facilities and Technology  
Date of Meeting: April 20, 2010

Agenda Item: Proposed Amendments to Board Policies: Policy 5.13 Information Technology Administration; Policy 6.4 Facilities Planning (Second Reading)

Cite policy requirement, or explain why item is on the Board agenda: Board Policy 1A.1, Part 6, Subpart H, has established that each board policy and system procedure is to be reviewed at least once every five years.

Scheduled Presenter(s): Laura M. King, Vice Chancellor - Chief Financial Officer

Outline of Key Points/Policy Issues:
Board policies and procedures are reviewed to:
1. assure contemporary and responsible business practices are maintained
2. assure the system’s current financial and operating control mechanisms are sustained or strengthened
3. assure continuity of operations
4. clarify conflicting or misunderstood information
5. eliminate redundancy

Background Information: The Finance Division is responsible for reviewing and proposing amendments to most board policies in Chapters 5, 6, and 7.
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BOARD ACTION

Proposed Amendments to Board Policies: Policy 5.13 Information Technology Administration; Policy 6.4 Facilities Planning

BACKGROUND

Board Policy 1A.1, Part 6, Subpart H, has established that each board policy and system procedure is to be reviewed at least once every five years. This purpose of this review is to:

1. assure contemporary and responsible business practices are maintained
2. assure the system’s current financial and operating control mechanisms are sustained or strengthened
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The following policies contain language and syntax revisions in addition to the specific changes noted.

Policy 5.13, Information Technology Administration
There was a clerical error in the board materials when this policy amendment was presented in January for its first reading. The error has been corrected as shown in Attachment A.

The proposed amendment to Policy 5.13 Information Technology Administration calls for each college and university to ensure that the information technology planning components of its strategic plan are aligned with system planning goals.

Policy 6.4, Facilities Planning
As shown in Attachment B, the proposed amendment to Policy 6.4 Facilities Planning adds “plans for modernization, renewal and improved sustainability” to each president’s scope of responsibility.
RECOMMENDED COMMITTEE ACTION
The Finance, Facilities and Technology Policy Committee recommends the Board of Trustees adopt the following motion:

The Board of Trustees approves amending Policy 5.13 Information Technology Administration; Policy 6.4 Facilities Planning as shown in Attachments A-B.

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION
The Board of Trustees approves amending Policy 5.13 Information Technology Administration; Policy 6.4 Facilities Planning as shown in Attachments A-B.

Date Presented to the Board: April 21, 2010
Policy 5.13 Information Technology Administration

Part 1. Policy Statement. It is the policy of the Board of Trustees in accordance with the system’s mission to disseminate and extend knowledge, to foster the free exchange of ideas, and to provide effective support for its teaching, research and public service functions. Appropriate access will be afforded to information technology resources, including but not limited to computers, software, e-mail accounts, internet access, and similar computing tools, for Minnesota State College and University students, faculty and staff for fulfilling the missions, and for appropriate related activities.

Part 2. Responsibilities. The chancellor shall develop an information technology strategic plan for approval by the Board of Trustees and prescribe data, applications, security, and technology standards in order to ensure the effectiveness, efficiency, timeliness, and accuracy of information gathered, stored and utilized by the system office, colleges, and universities. The chancellor shall review college and university information technology plans. Each college and university shall ensure that the information technology planning components of its strategic plan are aligned with system planning goals.

Each college and university shall adopt a campus policy on computer and network system use and security.

Part 3. Accountability/Reporting. The chancellor Board shall provide an updated to the Board on the implementation of the system MnSCU information technology strategic plan and the plans of the colleges and universities.

Related Documents:

- IT Strategic Plan
- Future Procedure 5.13.1 Information Technology Administration

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Minnesota State Agency Digital Signature Implementation and Use Standards

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6.4 Facilities Planning

Part 1. Policy Statement. It is the policy of the Board of Trustees to require a Facilities Master Plan following campus adoption of a master academic plan for all colleges and universities to assure short and long-range planning of college and universities facilities. It is the policy of the Board of Trustees that the facilities of state colleges and universities are to be used primarily for purposes of fulfilling the college’s or university’s missions of teaching, research, and public service.

Part 2. Responsibilities. The president of each college and university is responsible for developing and maintaining an ongoing Facilities Master Plan. Facilities Master Plans must be consistent with systemwide guidelines. Campus development, siting of new buildings and structures, and renovation, repair and renewal of existing facilities shall be consistent with the Facilities Master Plan. The president of each college and university is responsible for assuring appropriate use of all facilities and grounds on their campuses.

The president of each college and university is responsible for developing and maintaining a current facilities assessment, plans for modernization, renewal and improved sustainability, and a record of space utilization as a base for multi-year capital program planning requests.

Part 3. Accountability/Reporting. All Facilities Master Plans and periodic updates, and deviations therefrom, will be approved by the chancellor.

Date of Implementation:
06/21/00 Date of Adoption: 06/21/00

Date and Subject of Revision:
01/22/04 -clarifies in Part 2 the activities that shall be consistent with the Facilities Master Plan; revises Part 3 to provide for the chancellor to approve Facilities Master Plans and periodic updates, and deviations therefrom.