SUMMARY OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO UNIVERSITY REGULATION

FSU-3.003 Freedom of Expression Rights and Responsibilities, Open Platform Areas

The revisions to this regulation seek to more clearly explain and describe the University's dedication to free speech issues and how free speech is exercised on campus. This revision of the regulation is a substantial revision though much is in clarification of terminology and procedures. Significant changes are as follows:

- --Creation of individual section headers for ease of reference
- --Changes to designated open platform areas to reflect trends in student traffic and clarification of the purpose of open platform areas
- --Clarification of availability of space to student groups and outside entities; procedures and offices to contact for reservations of space across campus
- --Provides distinction between commercial solicitations and political speech
- --Provides for procedures for invitations to speakers by university and non-university groups; restates commitment to providing access to speakers with diverse viewpoints
- --Clarification provided as to the applicability of the rules of evidence, acceptance of witness statements in lieu of live testimony, how to determine the appropriate type of hearing, and preparation of transcripts.
- -- Creation of new section explaining potential restrictions on recording of activities

AUTHORITY FOR THE PROPOSED UNIVERSITY REGULATION

The authority for the proposed regulation is as follows: Board of Governors Regulations 1.001(3) (j), (7) (g).

UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL INITIATING THE REGULATION

Proposed adoption of Regulation FSU-3.003 has been initiated by Dr. Mary Coburn, Vice President for Student Affairs

PROCEDURE FOR PROVIDING COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED UNIVERSITY REGULATION

Any person may submit written comments concerning the proposed regulation within 14 days of the date of this notice to:

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