NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT

Date: April 10, 2009

REGULATION TITLE: Faculty and A&P Sick Leave Pool
REGULATION NO.: UCF-3.0261

SUMMARY OF REGULATION: This regulation is amended to include a list of the requirements for initial membership in the Faculty/A&P Sick Leave Pool for full-time and part-time employees. Other amendments include raising the depletion level to 320 hours, and the conditions under which the sick leave pool may be reactivated once becoming inactive. Technical changes have been made throughout the regulation, including renumbering the regulation.

AUTHORITY: BOG Resolution dated January 7, 2003

NAME OF PERSON WHO INITIATED PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT:
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COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. The comments must identify the regulation you are commenting on.

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FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT:

6C7 UCF-3.0261 Faculty and A&P Sick Leave Pool.
(1) General.

(a) The purpose of this regulation is to establish a Sick Leave Pool to allow full-time and part-time Faculty and A&P employees to voluntarily pool a portion of their unused sick leave and, upon depletion of their own sick, annual and compensatory leave, to draw leave credits from the pool as prescribed in subsections (2) and (3) below.

(b) Any sick leave pool established pursuant to this rule shall automatically terminate at the end of each fiscal year unless specific approval for continuation is secured from the president.

(2) Membership.

(a) Initial membership in the Faculty/A&P Sick Leave Pool requires continuous employment with the University, in a benefits-earning position, for more than one year, and a balance of at least 64 hours of unused sick leave. Requirements are specified in Department of Management Services Rule 60L-11.003, F.A.C. In addition, an employee who wishes to join the pool will be required to donate sixteen (16) hours of unused sick leave time to the pool upon acceptance to the pool.

(b) Applications for membership shall be made in writing and addressed to the pool administrator.

(c) Open enrollment to the Faculty/A&P Sick Leave Pool will be held following the initial open enrollment period. Additional membership shall be allowed only during open enrollment periods conducted during March and September of each year or at such other times as may be prescribed by the sick leave pool committee.

(d) No employee shall be unreasonably denied enrollment in the sick leave pool.

(3) Administration.

(a) The president will appoint at least six Faculty or A&P employees who have elected to participate in the pool to serve as the pool’s committee. Four of these will be selected from the
membership of the Faculty Senate. In addition he will appoint another participating employee to
serve as pool administrator. Appointments will be for a two year period.

(b) All decisions of the committee shall be made by majority vote of those present and
shall require assent by at least three members. The committee’s findings shall be reported to the
pool administrator who shall have the authority to approve the committee’s recommendations
and to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie vote within the committee.

c) The pool shall be administered as described in Rule 60L-11.002, F.A.C., and the
following as follows:

1. Participating employees who require hospitalization or extended medical care as the
result of catastrophic injury or illness which exhausts all of their accrued personal sick, annual
and compensatory leave credits and which results in serious or major medical or health
problems, may request permission to utilize leave credits from the pool.

2. All requests for sick leave pool credit utilization shall be made in writing by, or for, the
employee and shall be accompanied by medical verification of the injury or illness. These
requests shall be reviewed by the pool committee which shall decide the number of pool leave
credits which may be utilized in each case.

3. After each 20 day utilization the employee must request additional sick leave pool
credits by submitting new medical forms.

4. The maximum number of sick leave pool credits which may be granted to a full-time
employee shall be sixty (60) days in increments of twenty (20) days or, as stated in hours, 480
hours in increments of 160 hours. If a part-time employee participates in the pool, then the
maximum number of sick leave pool credits which may be granted to such an employee with a
qualifying medical need will be prorated to the FTE of that employee.
5. There shall be a two week period following depletion of an individual’s personal sick, annual and compensatory leave credits before pool credits may be used.

6. Employees who are not members of the sick leave pool at the time of a qualifying illness or injury shall not be eligible to utilize sick leave pool credits. Exceptions to this limitation may be made by the president after review and recommendation by the sick leave pool committee and the pool administrator.

(4) Maintenance of Sick Leave Pool. The pool shall be maintained in accordance with Rule 60L-11.002, F.A.C., and the following:

(a) The Sick Leave Pool shall become inactive, not be activated unless a minimum of 50 employees agree initially to participate in the pool and deposit eight hours of their accrued sick leave therein. Following establishment, should the membership in the pool drop below 50 employees, the pool shall become inactive and the remaining leave credits shall be prorated equally among the membership at time of inactivation. The sick leave pool can thereafter only be reactivated if a minimum of 50 employees agree to participate in the pool by each depositing eight (8) hours of accrued sick leave into the newly formed pool.

(b) When the total credits available in the pool amount to 420320 hours or less, the pool shall be considered to be depleted. Upon depletion, the pool members will be notified that an additional eight hours of sick leave credit will be deducted from their account unless they inform the pool administrator (in writing within two weeks of the date of the notice), of their intention to discontinue membership.
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