NOTICE OF EMERGENCY REGULATION

Date:  August 28, 2008

REGULATION TITLE:  Alcoholic Beverages on Campus
REGULATION NO:  6C7-4.035

SPECIFIC REASONS FOR FINDING AN IMMEDIATE DANGER TO THE PUBLIC, HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE:  The University of Central Florida Board of Trustees is authorized to establish regulations governing its property, including regulating alcoholic beverages on campus. The University of Central Florida Board of Trustees must exercise its authority immediately to adopt specific provisions regarding the service, possession, and consumption of alcoholic beverages to accommodate enforcement needs at upcoming special events on campus.

REASONS FOR CONCLUDING THAT THE PROCEDURE USED IS FAIR UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES:  For the safety and security of attendees at special events on campus this fall, including home football games, the university finds it necessary to iterate certain guidelines with respect to the service, possession, and consumption of alcoholic beverages on campus and at university events. Due to the imminence of large on-campus events, with attendant crowds, the university must adopt this regulation on an emergency basis. The emergency regulation will be noticed through the University of Central Florida’s Regulations website. Further, a non-emergency regulation will be noticed on the University of Central Florida’s Regulations website.

SUMMARY OF THE REGULATION:  To establish minimum guidelines regulating alcoholic beverages on campus.

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FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION

6C7-4.035  Alcoholic Beverages on Campus

(1) The service, possession, and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the university campus shall be limited or controlled as required by applicable laws and ordinances.
(2) For purposes of this regulation, "campus" shall be defined to include all property and facilities under the guidance, supervision, regulation, or control of the University of Central Florida or any of its direct support organizations, and all fraternity and sorority houses on such properties.

(3) Individuals and businesses on campus must comply with state laws and local ordinances that govern the service, possession, and consumption of alcoholic beverages, as well as this regulation and any university policy relating to alcoholic beverages.

(4) The legal drinking age in the State of Florida is twenty-one. No person under the age of twenty-one shall purchase, consume, or possess any alcoholic beverage at any time or in connection with any event. No person shall serve to or procure for any underage person any alcoholic beverage at any time or in connection with any event. There are no occasions at or during which underage drinking shall be permitted on campus.

(5) The president or designee has the authority to establish campus policies governing the sale, use, and consumption of alcoholic beverages that are more restrictive than law or ordinance.

(6) The university requires all vendors doing business with the university and/or on campus to comply with the principles of the responsible vending of alcoholic beverages outlined in university policy. Such policy will include requirements for age and identity verification, responsible hospitality practices (e.g., limited or no promotions of alcoholic beverages), ongoing training of vendor personnel, and other measures consistent with the higher standard expected of campus vendors as it pertains to the service of alcoholic beverages.

(7) Additionally, the university will designate by policy:

(a) the locations on campus at which alcoholic beverages may be sold or provided;
(b) those individuals with authority to approve events at which alcoholic beverages will be sold or provided;

(c) the procedures by which events at which alcoholic beverages will be sold or provided may be approved and registered; and

(d) any special procedures for events at which extraordinary crowds are expected, such as football games.

(8) Alcohol-related infractions on campus by either students or employees shall be considered a disciplinary matter. The University of Central Florida is a drug-free workplace and drug-free school. The misuse or abuse of alcoholic beverages is considered a disciplinary matter when it occurs during working hours or at a university-sponsored event.