BOARD OF REGENTS BRIEFING PAPER

Agenda Item Title: Handbook Revision: Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Council

BACKGROUND & POLICY CONTEXT OF ISSUE:

During the April 2008 meeting of the Cultural Diversity and Security Committee, Regents charged System staff to bring back a proposal for the creation of a systemwide Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Council (EDIC). The council, consisting of institutional diversity officers and representatives appointed by Presidents, is to advise, monitor, and assist the Chancellor in fulfilling diversity related goals.

The proposed charge and duties of the Council were vetted with diversity officers at southern NSHE institutions and is brought before the Board with their support.

SPECIFIC ACTIONS BEING RECOMMENDED OR REQUESTED:

Amend Board policy to establish and charge the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Council.