The Chancellor shall make all recommendations regarding the establishment or discontinuance of all positions in the University System Office. He/she shall recommend the appointment of administrative officers and all other employees of the University System Office.

2. Revision of The Policy Manual, Section 204, Presidential Authority and Responsibilities

<u>Approved:</u> The Board approved revisions to The Policy Manual, Section 204, concerning presidential authority and responsibilities.

Item 1 – Change in policy authorizes president to appoint faculty and administrative employees and determine the salary of each.

Item 2 – Change in policy authorizes president to determine promotions.

Item 3 – Change in policy gives president authority to grant leaves of absence to faculty.

<u>Background:</u> This proposal is based upon the premise that decisions should be made at the lowest level where management is given the responsibility to act and is held accountable for their actions. These changes were proposed by the co-chairs of the Approvals and Authorities Task Force. The changes have been reviewed by the subject matter experts on the University System Office staff.

Please note that the strike through text represents deletions from the current version of policy and the highlighted texts represent additions.

204 PRESIDENTIAL AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The president of each institution in the University System shall be the executive head of the institution and of all its departments and shall exercise such supervision and direction as will promote the efficient operation of the institution. The president shall be responsible to the Chancellor for the operation and management of the institution and for the execution of all directives of the Board and the Chancellor. The president shall be the ex-officio chair of the faculty and may preside at meetings of the faculty. At those institutions that have a council, senate, assembly, or any such body, the president or the president's designee may chair such body and preside at its meetings. The president shall be the official medium of communication between the faculty and the Chancellor and between the council, senate, assembly, or any such body and the Chancellor (BR Minutes, 1993-94, p. 239).

The president shall recommend to the Board of Regents, through the Chancellor, the initial appointment of faculty members and administrative employees of each institution, the salary of each, and all promotions and tenure awards and shall be authorized to make all reappointments of faculty members and administrative employees, except as otherwise specified in this manual. The president shall have the right and authority, with the approval of the Chancellor, to fill vacancies in the faculty between meetings of the Board with the understanding that these appointments shall be approved by the Board. The president has the right and authority to grant leaves of absence to members of the faculty for study at other institutions or for such reasons as the president may deem proper. He/she

shall make an annual report to the Board, through the Chancellor, of the work and condition of the institution under his/her leadership. The president shall be responsible for the initial appointment of faculty members and administrative employees of each institution, the salary of each, and all promotions and be authorized to make all reappointments of faculty members and administrative employees, except as otherwise specified in this manual. The president has the right and authority to grant leaves of absence for up to one year to members of the faculty for study at other institutions or for such reasons as the president may deem proper. He/she shall make an annual report to the Board, through the Chancellor or his/her designee, of the condition of the institution under his/her leadership.

The president of each institution, or his/her designee, is authorized to accept on behalf of the Board the resignation of any employee of his/her institution (BR Minutes, 1977-78, p. 123; 1982-83, p. 225).

The president of each institution, or the president's designee, shall have the authority to execute, accept, or deliver, on behalf of the Board, the following types of research agreements, settlement agreements, service agreements, and reciprocal emergency law enforcement agreements affecting his or her institution:

- A. Research or service agreements whereby the institution concerned, for monetary compensation or other good and valuable consideration, agrees to perform certain institution-oriented research or other personal services within a time period of one year or less;
- B. Agreements between institutions of the University System of Georgia and hospitals or other organized medical facilities, both public and private, located within the State of Georgia, whereby the hospital or medical facility concerned agrees to provide clinical services to nursing and other students enrolled in nursing and allied health programs at the institution concerned. Said agreements shall be effective for one year with the option of annual renewal as specified therein and shall be subject to cancellation by either party.
- C. Reciprocal emergency law enforcement agreements between institutions of the University System of Georgia and county and municipal authorities, as authorized by the Georgia Mutual Aid Act, as amended (BR Minutes, 1993-94, pp. 63-64);
- D. Settlements of grievances and complaints (including those filed by state and federal agencies) that do not include a monetary commitment of more than \$100,000. Agreements shall be subject to review and approval by the Georgia Department of Law. Notice of settlements shall be filed with the
- E. Any agreements necessary for the day-to-day operation as provided in section 700 of this manual; and
- F. Gifts, bequests, agreements, or declarations of trust in those instances where the initial gift (or trust estate) is valued at \$100,000 or less, provided, however, that presidents of University System institutions are not authorized to accept gifts of real property on behalf of the Board. All gifts having an initial value greater than \$100,000 shall require acceptance by the Board of Regents. The