



TO: Regent Laws & Policies Stakeholders

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RE: Recommended Changes to Policy: *Regent Policy 14.J Naming University Facilities*

#### Background

The recommended revisions to Regent Policy 14.J relocate some provisions of the policy to a new Administrative Policy Statement: APS 3004 Functional and Honorary Naming of University Facilities and Programmatic Units. The recommended revisions also update definitions, add to the criteria used to evaluate honorary naming opportunities, and create a process to change or discontinue honorary namings.

#### Recommendations for Regent Policy 14.J Naming University Facilities and Programmatic Units [45]

- **Introduction – Rewrite**

The policy was expanded to include programmatic units. The new introduction states the significance of awarding an honorary name to a university facility or programmatic unit. The definitions were removed from the introduction and moved into a new section at the end of the policy. The definition for “smaller facility” was eliminated.

- **Section 14.J.1 – Revised**

The section pertains to functional names. Most of the section was relocated to the new APS. The roles and responsibilities outlined in the existing policy are unchanged in the new APS.

- **Section 14.J.2 – Revised and New**

(B) The subsection was updated to include new criteria for honorary naming for major facilities and programmatic units. Some existing criteria were moved to the new APS.

(C) This is a new subsection that gives the president the authority to determine honorary naming opportunities for everything except major facilities or programmatic units.

- **Section 14.J.3 – New**

The section creates a new process to remove honorary names of major facilities or programmatic units. It also creates a process for renaming a major facility or programmatic unit if it is substantially renovated, changed, demolished, or discontinued.

- **Section 14.J.5 – New**

The section includes new and revised definitions. The definitions were relocated from the introduction. The definitions for major facilities and programmatic units were updated to address past confusion about whether an honorary naming opportunity required approval by the Board of Regents.