POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide management with the information necessary to ensure provisions for adequate professional management of unrestricted net assets and reserves.

I. BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

A. California State University Policy

The Chancellor of the California State University, on April 7, 1983, issued a policy statement entitled Financial Standards and Fiscal Viability Guidelines for CSU Auxiliary Organizations, and directed that this policy be implemented by the Campus Presidents and each auxiliary governing board. On the subject of reserve requirements this policy statement states:

Annually each auxiliary governing board shall review the fiscal viability of the auxiliary organization to include:

1. A review of the management functions to ensure provisions for adequate professional management (Reference: Ed. Code, 89904[b]).

2. An evaluation of the need for the use of unrestricted net assets in the following areas:
   a. Debt Service Coverage
   b. Working Capital/Current Operations
   c. Reserves

3. The establishment or revision of the use of unrestricted net assets for the above areas shall be approved by the Board and their funding levels shall be approved by the Board and the President when the annual budget is approved.
B. Disposition of Assets and Earnings

A written agreement on behalf of the State of California by the Chancellor of the California State University and the Foundation is required for the performance of various functions by the Foundation. These agreements each contain a section on the disposition to be made of the Assets and Earnings (other than trust funds) in accordance with Section 42600, Title 5, California Code of Regulations. The disposition of Net Earnings (Net Assets) section states:

“ Auxiliary agrees to comply with Trustees policy on expenditure of funds, including but not limited to Trustee guidelines for disposition of revenues in excess of expenses and Trustee policies on maintaining appropriate reserves.”

C. Priority for Use of Unrestricted Net Assets

The priority of the funding of working capital/current operations, reserves and planned future operations.

II. POLICY

A. This Unrestricted Net Assets and Reserves Policy is therefore established to provide the basis for the annual review of fiscal viability, to comply with Board of Trustee’s policies on maintaining appropriate working capital/current operations, reserves and planned future operations.

III. TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

A. Sources of Funds

The Cal Poly Pomona Philanthropic Foundation receives its sources of funds from the following sources:

1. Surplus
2. Non-cash transactions
3. Draw down from reserves

B. Use of Funds

The funds received from the above sources are used for the following purposes:

1. Capital Expenditures
2. Reserves
3. Designated Gifts to University
IV. PROCESS

A. Budget and Fiscal Viability - Annually, the Foundation Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer or designee will prepare an annual budget and long-range cash plan/reserve for the unrestricted funds (currently the general fund) as required by the Board of Trustees of the California State University policy statement. These reports, after review and approval by the Board of Directors, will be submitted to the President.

These reports will include annual operating and capital budgets by unit and a 10-year long-range cash plan/reserve for each budgeted activity. The Foundation Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, and Chief Financial Officer or designee shall plan the annual operating budget to generate unrestricted net assets.

B. Appropriations of Unrestricted Net Assets

At the close of each fiscal year, the unrestricted net assets from each function shall be retained by each project. The appropriation of these unrestricted net asset funds shall be as follows:

1. The first priority for the use of Unrestricted Net Assets shall be working capital/current operations equal to two months of the annual budgeted revenues

2. The second priority for the use of Unrestricted Net Assets shall be reserves;

   a. Capital Reserve – shall be funded by an amount equal to 1.75% of the annual gross revenues of the unrestricted funds (currently the general fund) to a maximum of $6,000,000, exclusive of the Real Estate / Venture Capital Reserve
   
   b. Real Estate / Venture Capital Reserve – shall be funded by an amount equal to 1% of the annual gross revenues of the unrestricted funds (currently the general fund) to a maximum of $6,000,000, exclusive of the Capital Reserve
   
   c. Planned future operations – shall be recognized by the campus and the auxiliary organization as appropriate and within the educational mission of the campus and approved by the Board.