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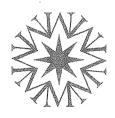
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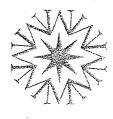
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# MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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## STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Office of the Chancellor is committed to conducting all human resource and educational activities without regard to race, sex, color, creed, religion, age, national origin, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, status with regard to public assistance, or membership or activity in a local commission as defined by law. Human resource activities include, but are not limited to: recruitment, selection, placement, employee development, promotion, retention, compensation, leaves of absence, disciplinary action, transfer, demotion, termination, and layoffs affecting all employees and job applicants. The Office of the Chancellor will not tolerate discrimination on the basis of these protected class categories in accordance with all state and federal equal opportunity/affirmative action laws, directives, orders and regulations.

The Office of the Chancellor is committed to implementation of this affirmative action plan and fully supports the State of Minnesota's affirmative action efforts. We will implement and maintain an affirmative action program that takes aggressive measures to eliminate internal barriers to equal opportunity and that strives to remedy any under representation in the employment, retention and promotion of qualified individuals with disabilities who can perform the essential functions of the job with or without a reasonable accommodation, persons of color, and women. Commitment to equal opportunity through diversity is a continuing goal for Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Office of the Chancellor. Our commitment is evidenced by the development and implementation of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Office of the Chancellor Strategic Diversity Plan which can be found in Appendix G.

It is Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' policy to actively pursue equal employment practices during all phases of the employment process. In that spirit, the Office of the Chancellor will continue to seek opportunities to maximize the selection and retention of all protected group employees by:

- continuing to actively and aggressively recruit protected group applicants; continuing affirmative action training for employees, with an emphasis on those serving on selection committees; and by
- supporting affirmative measures to retain protected group employees.

Jame H. McCormick, Chancellor Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

6/25/08 Date

# **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN TRANSMITTAL FORM 2004-2006**

The recent review revealed underutilization of the following protected groups in the following goal units:

	PROTECTEI	PROTECTED GROUPS								
GOAL UNITS	MINORITIES	WOMEN	DISABLED							
ADMINISTRATORS	X		X							
PROFESSIONALS	X	X	. X							
CLERICAL/ SECRETARIAL	- ·····	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	X							
TECHNICAL		X	X							

See also:

- A. Utilization Analysis page 18.
- B. Utilization Analysis by EEO-6 Job Category and Job Group, Minorities & Women - page 19; Persons with disabilities – page 20.
- C. Establishment of Hiring Goals; page 21.
- 2. The Office of the Chancellor Affirmative Action Plan will be available in the Equal Opportunity and Diversity Office, the Office of the Associate Vice Chancellor for Equal Opportunity and Diversity, and in the Office of the Chancellor Human Resource Office so that employees and other interested parties have access to the plan's annual goals and commitments.
- 3. This Affirmative Action Plan contains the 1B.1.1 Report/Complaint of Discrimination/Harassment Investigation and Resolution procedure which provides a process through which individuals alleging violation of system non-discrimination policies may pursue a complaint; the 1B.0.1 Reasonable Accommodations in Employment procedure, and the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Office of the Chancellor Emergency Plan and Procedures. Information regarding these procedures will be distributed to all newly hired employees and is available to current/new employees and other interested parties on Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' web site at: http://www.hr.mnscu.edu/so/

4. This Affirmative Action Plan designates those persons and groups responsible for implementing this Plan, as well as a description of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' commitment to equal employment opportunity and affirmative action principles.

Associate Vice Chancellor for Equal Opportunity and Diversity/ Affirmative Action Officer

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5. This Affirmative Action Plan meets the established guidelines governing affirmative action, and contains the goals and objectives which reasonably address the identified disparities.

Director for the Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity Minnesota Department of Employee Relations Date

## **RESPONSIBILITY FOR IMPLEMENTATION**

#### Chancellor

As the primary administrator of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, the Chancellor is responsible for overseeing the Office of the Chancellor's equal opportunity and affirmative action policies, procedures and programs, as well as assuring compliance with all related state and federal laws, rules and regulations. Final disposition of all such issues resides with the Chancellor.

#### **1.** Responsibilities

- A. Ensure that adequate staffing and resources are committed to implement Office of the Chancellor policies in the area of affirmative action and equal employment opportunity.
- B. Incorporate into the position description of all administrators a separate statement of responsibility for implementing affirmative action and equal employment opportunity policy and procedures.
- C. Review annually the job performance of administrators to evaluate responsibility for implementing Office of the Chancellor affirmative action and equal employment opportunity policy and procedures.

#### 2. Duties

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- Delegate matters relating to equal opportunity and affirmative action at the Office of the Chancellor to the Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Officer/Associate Vice Chancellor of Equal Opportunity and Diversity.
- B. Conduct a job performance evaluation with the Associate Vice Chancellor of Equal Opportunity and Diversity on progress made on equal opportunity and affirmative action objectives, job duties, and projects.

#### 3. Accountability

Chancellor James H. McCormick, 651.296.7971, is directly accountable to the Board of Trustees on all matters relating to equal opportunity and affirmative action at the Office of the Chancellor.

#### Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Officer

Dolores Fridge, the Associate Vice Chancellor for Equal Opportunity and Diversity, is the Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Officer for the Office of the Chancellor. The Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Officer is accountable to the Chancellor and responsible for the overall implementation and administration of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' equal opportunity and affirmative action programs. The Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Officer carries out the following responsibilities and duties:

#### **1. Responsibilities**

- A. Advise the Chancellor on affirmative action and equal employment opportunity progress, projects and issues.
- B. Ensure that the Office of the Chancellor is in compliance with federal/state laws and regulations as well as Minnesota State Colleges and Universities policies and procedures pertaining to affirmative action and equal employment opportunity.
- C. Develop, monitor, implement and evaluate Minnesota State Colleges and Universities affirmative action programs, plans and guidelines.
  - D. Monitor the search and selection process for all classified and unclassified positions in the Office of the Chancellor in accordance with established guidelines and procedures for recruitment.

#### 2. Duties

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- Provide guidelines/recommendations to appropriate members of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities community regarding affirmative action and equal employment opportunity.
- B. Provide reports on affirmative action and equal employment opportunity efforts and accomplishments.
- C. Coordinate and/or promote affirmative action and equal employment opportunity training and education programs for employees.
- D. Serve as Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' ombudsperson and primary resource for employees on affirmative action and equal employment opportunity laws, regulations, policies and procedures.
- E. Review, investigate and process complaints of discrimination, sexual harassment and violence, sexual orientation harassment, racial harassment, and disability harassment, and/or lack of equal employment opportunity in accordance with established guidelines.

#### 3. Accountability

Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Officer Dolores Fridge, 651.296.5313, is directly accountable to the Chancellor for the overall implementation and administration of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' equal opportunity and affirmative action programs for the Office of the Chancellor and the System.

#### Administrators/Supervisors

Administrators/supervisors are responsible for enforcing and implementing equal opportunity and affirmative action policies, procedures, and programs within their functional areas of responsibility.

#### **1.** Responsibilities

A. Assure that all affirmative action and equal employment opportunity policies, plans and procedures are complied with and carried out in their respective

administrative units.

- Assure that all employees within their administrative units are informed of the Office of the Chancellor affirmative action and equal employment opportunity policies, procedures, and practices.
- Provide employee participation, as appropriate, for all Office of the Chancellor efforts relating to affirmative action and equal employment opportunity.

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#### 2. Duties

- Provide input into the elements of the Affirmative Action Plan.
- Identify factors which may impede the Office of the Chancellor's pursuit of affirmative action and equal employment opportunity goals and objectives.

#### **3.** Accountability

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Accountability for administrators/supervisors is reflected in the Office of the Chancellor's organization chart provided in Appendix H.

#### Office of the Chancellor Human Resources Director

In addition to the responsibilities and duties described above for the administrators/supervisors, the Office of the Chancellor's Human Resources Director is also responsible as described below for classified and unclassified positions.

#### **1.** Responsibilities

- A. Monitor the recruitment and selection process of all classified positions at the Office of the Chancellor, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 43.18 and 179.74, Department of Employee Relations (DOER) Human Resource Rules, applicable collective bargaining agreements, and Human Resource plans.
- B. Ensure that the recommendations of supervisors and other individuals involved in the hiring process are based on job-related criteria and are consistent with affirmative action goals and objectives.
- C. Work closely with the Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Officer in the filling of all vacancies in the Office of the Chancellor. This will include consultation between the Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Officer, the Human Resource Office and the supervisor regarding disparities of protected classes and special recruitment efforts.

#### 2. Duties

- A. Provide guidance to supervisors in creating and filling new and vacant positions in both the classified and unclassified service.
- B. Approve requests to fill positions authorized within the Office of the Chancellor budget plan.
- C. Approve initial salary placement within delegated authority on new hires and promotions for classified and academic unclassified employees and excluded administrators considering qualifications and salary equity issues.

- D. Assure compliance with the Office of the Chancellor Affirmative Action Plan to recruit and hire a workforce which reflects a commitment to diversity and multiculturalism.
- E. Work closely with the Department of Employee Relations and the Office of the Chancellor Staffing Unit in drafting and disseminating civil service vacancy announcements.

F. Provide leadership to executive management in the implementation of appointments and resolutions of salary equity issues.

## 3. Accountability

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Office of the Chancellor Human Resources Director Margaret Johnson, 651.296.3357, is accountable to William Tschida, Vice Chancellor of Human Resources.

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### **PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

## **General Statement**

The Office of the Chancellor recognizes that there are various groups which are underutilized in employment. The Office of the Chancellor also recognizes the value of the diversity which all people bring to the work place. Therefore, the Office of the Chancellor is committed to remedy any identified underutilization in its internal staffing and promotional patterns. The Office of the Chancellor will encourage full employment participation by members of racial groups, by women, and by people with disabilities. In pursuit of its commitment to affirmative action the Office of the Chancellor will take the following actions.

#### **Recruitment Plan**

#### **Objective 1.** Enhancing the Office of the Chancellor Recruitment Efforts

#### Action Steps

Human Resource Office and staff will:

- Meet with hiring supervisors/search committee chairs to review recruitment and hiring objectives and affirmative action goals.
- Provide on-going support and advice to managerial/supervisory staff in conducting searches within the Office of the Chancellor.
- Provide feedback to the Chancellor and others having primary responsibility for searches regarding the status of hiring goals and accomplishments.
- Continuously examine and evaluate recruitment and hiring guidelines in order to support and advance the Office of the Chancellor's commitment to affirmative action and to aid search committees and administrators in identifying and selecting highly qualified candidates for positions, including minorities, women and persons with disabilities.
- Effectively communicate opportunities for advancement to all staff, including minorities, women and persons with disabilities.

• Utilize community-based organizations for recruitment of prospective employees

- 1. Council on Black Minnesotans
- 2. Indian Affairs Council
- 3. Council on Asian Pacific Minnesotans
- 4. Chicano-Latino Affairs Council
- 5. Minnesota Women's Center
- 6. State Council on Disabilities
- Every effort will be made to include a woman, minority, or person with a disability in search committee membership.

- Provide targeted advertising in protected group media as follows:
  - 1. Minneapolis Spokesman/St. Paul Recorder
  - 2. Native American Press
  - 3. La Prensa
  - 4. Asian Pages
  - 5. Black Issues in Higher Education
  - 6. The Minnesota Women's Press
- Access Press
- Particular attention will be paid to the recruitment of disabled individuals and hiring goals will reflect this commitment. The Office of the Chancellor does not pressure employees to report their disability status; therefore our workforce numbers may not accurately reflect the actual number of disabled individuals in the Office of the Chancellor.

#### Job Fairs

No job fairs were attended in the past year. This has not proved to be a useful recruiting tool for the Office of the Chancellor.

#### **Assignment of Responsibility**

Office of the Chancellor Human Resource Director and Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Officer.

#### **Target Dates for Completion**

This will be an ongoing process.

#### **Previous Years' Activities**

A number of strategies were used in the filling of Office of the Chancellor vacancies during the past year and include, among others:

- Advertisements in the Chronicle of Higher Education
- Advertisements in several minority publications in the Twin Cities area
- Publication in Minneapolis Star Tribune and St. Paul Pioneer Press
- Direct mailing to members of the Minnesota Minority Education Partnership
- Targeted recruitment strategy by using professional organization listservs at the national and local levels
- Targeted notices soliciting nominations and inviting applications sent to bargaining units, discipline-specific targeted constituents, Minnesota Cultural Diversity Center, Minnesota Women's Consortium, etc.
- Recruitment using personal contacts, networking
- Advertisements on Minnesota State Colleges and Universities web site
- Private consultant hired for targeted recruitment

#### Expenditures

Each Office of the Chancellor division is expected to have budget resources to support searches. Specific amounts may vary in individual searches, but can range from minimal costs to several thousand dollars depending on the nature and scope of position. For example, advertising costs in a recent search for the Executive Director of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities foundation cost \$3,269.07.

#### Evaluation

Records of the number of hiring goals met will be maintained in the Human Resources office recording.

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#### **Objective 2:** Enhancing retention efforts in the Office of the Chancellor

#### Action steps

Each manager plays a key role in supporting the retention of employees. The Office of the Chancellor will initiate the following activities to support employee retention. These efforts will enhance retention for all employees and allow the evaluation of specific efforts related to women, minorities and persons with disabilities.

- Helping individuals succeed in their early years is a key to retention of staff. The first element in this program is orientation for new staff members. An orientation program that provides information about policies, benefits, and educational opportunities is routinely provided to all new employees.
- Introducing new staff members to Office of the Chancellor colleagues for the purpose of creating community and connecting individuals in other departments for future collaborative work is the responsibility of all supervisors.
- Distributing an annual notice to Office of the Chancellor's employees reaffirming the commitment to civility in the work place and the chancellor's commitment to providing a work environment free of discrimination, harassment and violence.
- Notifying all employees annually of the procedure for requesting and providing reasonable accommodations.
- Continuing to encourage opportunities for personal and professional growth for all employees.
- Conducting annual performance reviews for all employees.

#### **Assignment of Responsibility**

Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Officer, Office of the Chancellor Human Resource Director, all administrators, managers, and supervisors.

#### **Target Dates for Completion**

Annually or ongoing.

#### Evaluation

Records will be maintained annually on the number of protected class hires achieved and retained.

#### **Objective 3: Promoting Diversity Awareness**

#### Action Steps

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- Plan and provide programs and events relating to diversity. Brown bag lunches will be offered throughout the year and will address topics of diversity and multiculturism.
- Continue to encourage and support the development of a structured mentoring program for all new employees in the Office of the Chancellor.
- Involve supervisors and managers in hosting diversity programs and events.

#### Assignment of Responsibility

The Affirmative Action Officer, Director of Human Resources, Chancellor, Vice Chancellors and members of the Diversity team all play an important role in coordinating diversity efforts and awareness.

Targeted Dates for Completion

Ongoing

**Evaluation** 

Records of accomplishments will be maintained.

# Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Office of the Chancellor Separation Analysis: FY2003 & FY2004

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A/PI = Asian or Pacific Islander		
C = Caucasian		
H = Hispanic	· · ·	
NA/AN=Native American or Alaskan Native		

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#### WORKFORCE ANALYSIS

The attached Workforce Analysis conducted in June 2004 revealed 309 current Office of the Chancellor employees at two Metropolitan work sites (Wells Fargo Place and the Energy Technology Center) and various campus sites. Of this number, 163 are female and 146 are male. There are a total of 25 minority employees in the Office of the Chancellor workforce.

In the Office of the Chancellor Officials and Administrators and Managers group, there are 65 employees with 27 females (41.5%) and 38 males. There are 8 minority employees (12.3%) in this group.

In the Professionals group (EEO-6, C) there are 192 employees with 99 females (51.6%) and 93 males. There are 12 minority employees (6.25%) in this group.

In the Clerical group (EEO-6, D) there are 38 employees. There are 33 females (86.8%) and 5 males. There are 4 minority employees (10.5%) in this group.

In the Technicians group (EEO-6, E) there are 14 employees with 4 females (7.1%) and 10 male employees. There is 1 minority employee (7.1%) in this group.

# AVAILABILITY

The availability for the following groups has been determined as follows:

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EEO-6 Group	Minorities	Women	Disabled
Executive, Administrative			
and Managerial	17.8%	38.8%	11.31%
Professionals – Provided			
by the Minnesota			
Department of Economic	,		
Security	8.0%	53.8%	10.88%
Clerical	8.2%	67.7%	11.56%
Technical/Paraprofessional	6.8%	63.1%	11.52%

Availability (Ideal Goals) data for women and minorities in the Administrative and Managerial job groups are based on U.S. Census Data - Exec/Admin/managers. Availability data for women and minorities in professional, clerical and technical job groups are based on U.S. Census data provided by the Minnesota Department of Economic Security. Availability (Ideal Goals) for disabled were provided by the Minnesota Department of Employee Relations.

# UTILIZATION ANALYSIS

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The utilization analysis which is attached indicates that the Office of the Chancellor is underutilized in the following job groups:

EEO-6 Group	Minorities	Women	Disabled
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System Officials and Administrators/Managers	4		7
Professionals	3	4	21
Clerical	· · ·		2
Technical	· · ·	4	1

# **Minnesota State Colleges and Universities**

# Office of the Chancellor

# Workforce, Availability, and Utilization Analysis by EEO-6 Job Category and Job Group

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							Minority Employees							Minorities				Women				
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Job Group	EEO-6 Code	Total	Male	Female	B	HS	AS	AI	BI	HS	AS	AI	Tot Min	% in Grp	% avail	" Ideal Goal	Under- utilized	Tot wom	% in Grp	% avail	" Ideal Goal	under- utilized
A	В	С	D	E	F	G	н	1	J	к	L	М	N	0	Ρ	Q	R	S	T.	U	V	W
System Officials, Admin. & Managers	A	65	38	27	3	2			2				8	12.3	17.8	12	4	27	41.5	38.8	_25	0
Professionals	с	192	93	99	2	1	4		3	2			12	6.25	8.0	15	3	99_	51.6	53.8	_103_	4
Clerical	D	38	5	33	1				1		2		4	10.5	8.2	3	0	33	86.8	67.7	26	0.
Technician	E	14	· <sup>1</sup> 10	4	1								1	7.1	6.8	1	0	4	28.6	63.1	. 8	4

Availability (Ideal Goals) data for women and minorities in the Administrative and Managerial job groups are based on U.S. Census Data - Exec/Admin/managers. Availability data for women and minorities in professional, clerical and technical job groups are based on U.S. Census data provided by the Minnesota Department of Economic Security.

EEO-6 Job GroupsBargaining UnitSystem Officials & Administrators, Managers<br/>(EEO-6, A)##Professional (EEO-6, C)211, 214, 216, 217Clerical (EEO-6, D)206, 217Technicians (EEO-6, E)207

# Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

# Office of the Chancellor

# Workforce, Availability, and Utilization Analysis by EEO-6 Job Category and Job Group

#### Jun-04

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Job Group	EEO-6 Code	Tot Disabled	% in Group	% avail	# Ideal Goal	# under-utilized
System Officials, Admin. & Managers	А	0	0	11.31	7	7
Professionals	C	0	0	10.88	21	21
Clerical	D	2	5.3	11.56	4	2
Technician	E	1.	7.1	11.52	2	1

Availability (Ideal Goals) for disabled were provided by the Minnesota Department of Employee Relations.

EEO-6 Job Groups

System Officials & Administrators, Managers (EEO-6, A) Professional (EEO-6, C) Clerical (EEO-6, D) Technicians (EEO-6, E)

##
211, 214, 216, 217
206, 217
207

**Bargaining Unit** 

## ESTABLISHMENT OF HIRING GOALS

Because of uncertainties about future budgets, it is anticipated that there will be fewer hiring opportunities for everyone, including women, minorities, and persons with disabilities. However, when approval is given to fill positions, affirmative steps are taken to recruit and hire women, minorities, and persons with disabilities keeping the following goals in mind.

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The Office of the Chancellor will make every effort to recruit and hire members of underutilized groups, specifically minorities in the: System Officials, Administrators & Managers, and Professional categories and women in the Professional and Technical categories. In addition, special efforts will be made to recruit persons with disabilities in all classifications.

#### Goals:

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<u>Groups</u>	Number of Underutilized	<b>Targeted Hire</b>
Minorities – System Officials, Admin. & Managers	4	1
Minorities – Professionals	3	2
Women – Professionals	4	2
Women Technicians	4	1

# AUDIT AND EVALUATION

The Office of the Chancellor Affirmative Action Plan will be reviewed by the Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Officer/Associate Vice Chancellor for Equal Opportunity.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Conficer/Associate Vice Chancellor for Equal Opportunity will monitor the employment procedures to evaluate progress and ensure that the nondiscriminatory policy is carried out.

A summary of the accomplishments of the prior year's Affirmative Action goals and objectives will be completed yearly and included in the biennial Affirmative Action Plan.

Consultation with the Office of the Chancellor Human Resources Director and/or the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity may be necessary prior to the hiring phase if a disparity of protected classes exists in the hiring unit. [See *Hiring for Office of the Chancellor Positions*, Page 28]. In addition, consultation with the Office of the Chancellor Human Resources Director and/or the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity may be necessary prior to layoff decisions to determine their impact on the Office of the Chancellor Affirmative Action Plan goals and timetables.

## OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR EMERGENCY PLAN AND PROCEDURES

The Office of the Chancellor "Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Emergency Plan and Procedures" documents can be found in Appendix F. This procedure is disseminated to new employees as part of the employee orientation process. In addition, training on this procedure is a conducted annually at both sites.

#### **DISSEMINATION OF POLICY**

The following measures will be used to inform internal and external constituents of the Office of the Chancellor's commitment to Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity in all employment and educational policies, procedures, programs, services, and opportunities.

#### INTERNAL DISSEMINATION

 The Office of the Chancellor Affirmative Action Plan will be available in the Equal Opportunity and Diversity Office, Office of the Chancellor Human Resource Office, and posted on the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' web site at: <u>www.hr.mnscu.edu/so/;</u>

2. Upon employment, all new employees will be provided a hard copy of the Affirmative Action Plan or given instruction on how to access the Affirmative Action Plan via the Office of the Chancellor web site at <u>www.hr.mnscu.edu/so/;</u>

- 3. Training on affirmative action and equal opportunity issues will be offered to all managers and supervisors in the Office of the Chancellor;
- 4. All recruitment brochures, job announcements and vacancy notices shall identify Minnesota State Colleges and Universities as "An Equal Opportunity Educator and Employer"; and
- 5. Copies of the Affirmative Action Plan will be made available to all employees and students upon request. The Affirmative Action Plan is available for review by contacting Dolores Fridge, Associate Vice Chancellor for Equal Opportunity and Diversity, at 651.296.5313.

#### EXTERNAL DISSEMINATION

- 1. All job announcements, vacancy notices, web site home page, letterhead, brochures, and promotional and other education/employment-related materials shall identify Minnesota State Colleges and Universities as "An Equal Opportunity Employer and Educator;"
- 2. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' commitment to the recruitment, employment, promotion and retention of individuals with disabilities, women, and minorities will be aggressively publicized via a variety of protected group and non-protected group media sources;

Copies of the Affirmative Action Plan will be available to all interested non-Minnesota State Colleges and Universities parties. The Affirmative Action Plan is available for review by contacting Dolores Fridge, Associate Vice Chancellor for Equal Opportunity and Diversity, at 651.296.5313; and

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Information on the Office of the Chancellor Affirmative Action Plan and programs shall be made available to all external constituents via the Office of the Chancellor Human Resources web site at <u>www.hr.mnscu.edu/so/</u>.

### NONDISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

To seek fair and equitable solutions to problems of discrimination/harassment, the 1B.1.1 Report/Complaint of Discrimination/Harassment Investigation and Resolution Procedure is available to all employees of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities. See Appendix E – 1B.1.1. Report/Complaint of Discrimination/Harassment Investigation and Resolution Procedure. In addition to the 1B.1.1 Procedure, some employees may have grievance procedures in accordance with their respective collective bargaining agreements and human resource plans. Complaints/grievances will be processed in accordance with appropriate procedures.

#### **HOW TO REPORT/FILE A COMPLAINT**

Any Office of the Chancellor employee or other interested party has the right to report or file a complaint.

Complaints may be filed with:

Dolores Fridge, Associate Vice Chancellor for Equal Opportunity and Diversity, Wells Fargo Place, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor at 651.296.5313

Renée Hogoboom, Equal Opportunity Manager and Investigator, Wells Fargo Place, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor at 651.296.3756

In the event that these individuals are not available, an employee and/or other interested party is encouraged to report or file a complaint with Gail Olson, General Counsel to the Office of the Chancellor at 651.296.6216.

The 1B.1.1 Procedure will be explained to any person bringing a complaint, and a complaint form may be requested to assist in filing a complaint. No specific timelines are required for reporting/filing of complaints, although employees and other interested parties are strongly encouraged to bring their complaint forward as soon as possible after an incident occurs.

The 1B.1.1. Procedure requires a written answer to the complainant within 60 days after a complaint is made unless reasonable cause for delay exists. In addition, disposition of the complaints are filed with the commissioner of the Department of Employee Relations within 30 days of final determination. It is the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities policy to take timely and appropriate action to stop inappropriate behavior, conduct investigations and facilitate resolutions as appropriate.

## SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT

Minnesota State College and Universities supports the employment of individuals with disabilities who have traditionally faced employment barriers to successful employment. Minnesota State College and Universities is committed to providing opportunities, either through direct recruitment or providing a host training site, for individuals with disabilities to utilize job skills that will mutually benefit the individual and the Office of the Chancellor.

The Office of the Chancellor Human Resources Director will review opportunities under the Supported Employment Program as job openings become available. It is Minnesota State College and Universities policy to fully comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and other federal and state laws governing employment of individuals with disabilities.

## **REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS**

The Office of the Chancellor has a continuing commitment to hiring, retaining, and promoting individuals with disabilities who can perform the essential functions of the job with or without a reasonable accommodation. Reasonable accommodations will be provided in accordance with the 1B.0.1 Reasonable Accommodations in Employment Procedure. This procedure sets forth the process to be used for responding to requests for reasonable accommodations in employment based on an applicant's or employee's disability and is in compliance with relevant federal and state laws. See Appendix C – 1B.0.1 Reasonable Accommodations in Employment Procedure.

#### How to Request Reasonable Accommodations

An Office of the Chancellor job applicant or employee, including student employee, with a disability may request reasonable accommodation by contacting Margaret Johnson, Wells Fargo Place, at 651.296.3357 or call 651.282.2660 TTY.

Employees requesting a reasonable accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act are provided with the State of Minnesota brochure entitled *ADA and Reasonable Accommodation* and given the Office of the Chancellor Request for Accommodation Form which is available online at <u>http://www.hr.mnscu.edu/forms/index.html</u>.

Reasonable accommodations will be provided only for job-related needs of an individual with a disability. The primary factor in evaluating the job relatedness of an accommodation is whether the accommodation specifically assists the individual in performing the essential functions of the job as identified at the time of the reasonable accommodation request. The appropriate reasonable accommodation will be determined through a flexible, interactive process that involves both the employer and the qualified individual with a disability and may include the appropriate union representative as provided by the applicable collective bargaining agreement.

An employee making a request for a reasonable accommodation under the ADA may be asked to provide documentation of related functional limitations by a licensed physician. The Office of the Chancellor is not required to provide the specific accommodation requested by the individual and may choose an effective accommodation which is less expensive or easier to provide. Accommodations provided to an individual with a disability are the financial responsibility of the Office of the Chancellor. Each division is responsible for providing funding for reasonable accommodations within its unit.

If an applicant or employee believes that they have been subjected to discriminatory action in regards to a request for a reasonable accommodation, he or she would access the 1B.1.1 Report/ Complaint of Discrimination/harassment Investigation and Resolution Procedure found in appendix E. See also Nondiscrimination Complaint Procedure, page 22 as well as appendix B – 1B.4 Access for Individuals with Disabilities Policy.

# Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Office of the Chancellor Request for Accommodation

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Employee Name:	Employee Classification: Date of Request: [for data collection only]		
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Division/Unit:	statement[s] as necessary or as requested		
1) Please describe the nature			
of your physical limitations.			
2) How does this disability lim	it you in your major life activity [ies]?		
quantify the impact such as: av	ds, the level of limitation the disability places on you. For example, erage, moderate, great or quantify it by assigning a number to the "5" being average. Again, this should be stated in your own words.		

4.) Type of accommodation requested to assist you in performing your work. You may provide more than one option.

5) In your view, how will the requested accommodation help you in performing your work? Specifically relate it to the disabling impairment or limitation. If you have provided more than one option, please state your preference for each listed accommodation option.

Signature of Employee:	 Date:
Additional Comments:	 
Signature of Employer's Representative:	Date:

#### Attach additional sheets of paper as necessary.

Information on this form shall be confidential and private in keeping with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, and the Minnesota Data Practices Act.

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# **PRE-HIRE REVIEW**

Attached are the processes for "Creating a New Position" and "Filling a Vacant Position" in the Office of the Chancellor. In addition, the "Position Request Form" is also attached.

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## **CREATING A NEW POSITION**

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- Supervisor completes the Position Request Form (PRF) and provides a memo with detailed business reasons to justify creating and/or filling the position. The memo should include a statement addressing the budget authority, source of funding, dates of employment or temporary nature of appointment, as well as office space arrangements.
- Vice Chancellor and/or Associate Vice Chancellor verifies position is within division budget allocation and approves and signs the PRF.
- Supervisor consults with Office of the Chancellor Human Resources Director and prepares a new position description to establish the classification and salary range.
- Human Resources forwards PRF to Budget Unit to verify cost center, funds.

#### **Office of the Chancellor Human Resources**

#### Supervisor

Human Resources prepares an audit request to Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Staffing Unit which includes a position description signed by the supervisor, an organizational chart, and a Job Audit Cover Sheet.

Human Resources Director assists the supervisor in designing a written recruitment plan taking into account any under-utilized protected classes. The recruitment plan is shared with the Affirmative Action Officer. Supervisor consults with the Human Resources Director regarding the recruitment plan and prepares a vacancy announcement and advertising language.

# **CREATING A NEW POSITION**

#### **Officer of the Chancellor Human Resources**

Human Resources announces the vacancy in the Employment Opportunities Newsletter.

<u>Classified positions</u>, must be posted for internal bids as provided for in the appropriate bargaining agreement. If no bids, Human Resources will announce the vacancy and position qualifications on the DOER web site.

The application procedure will be specified in the vacancy announcement. Depending upon the circumstances, applications may be received by the hiring supervisor or the Human Resources Office.

For <u>classified positions</u>, the Department of Employee Relations has implemented a Multi-Source Recruitment and Selection Process (Resumix) to identify prospective candidates who match specific job qualification. Resumes of candidates expressing an interest in the position and other candidates with the skills and abilities who match the vacancy announcement are available to Human Resource Office staff and managers to review online.

Once a finalist pool has been identified, the Human Resource Director seeks Equal Opportunity and Diversity approval of the search process and the candidate selection.

The Human Resource office reviews the candidate pool and affirmative action status of candidates before interviews may begin.

#### Supervisor

Supervisor places ads and completes the necessary purchase orders. According to the recruitment plan, the supervisor may circulate vacancy announcements via traditional and nontraditional media such as web sites, listservs, community-based agencies and organizations, email distribution of vacancy announcements, mailing listservs, community based agencies and organizations, e-mail distribution of vacancy announcements, mailing lists, and labels.

Supervisor coordinates the selection process: whether a search committee will be used, who will receive application materials, how interviews will be conducted, what interview questions will be asked and how references will be checked.

For <u>classified positions</u>, the hiring supervisor is forwarded a list of names and resumes for consideration.

For <u>unclassified positions</u>, the supervisor will send all applicants a Supplemental Protected Class Information form and a return stamped envelope to the attention of the Associate Vice Chancellor of Equal Opportunity and Diversity. Returning the Supplemental Information form is optional and is maintained in a separate, confidential file apart from the applicant files.

The supervisor schedules interviews, and the candidate of choice is selected.

### **CREATING A NEW POSITION**

### **Officer of the Chancellor Human Resources**

If the verbal offer is accepted, the Human Resources Director, in consultation with the supervisor, will prepare an appointment letter for the Chancellor's signature. This letter confirms the position title, the proposed hire date and the agreed upon salary and conditions of employment.

Whenever possible, before the hire date, the Human Resources Director will arrange a meeting with the new employee, the Chancellor, and the Cabinet member to formally sign the appointment letter.

### Supervisor

The supervisor is responsible for informing unsuccessful applicants that a final decision has been made. The supervisor retains all search related documents in a confidential file for three years.

### FILLING A VACANT POSITION

### **Office of the Chancellor**

- Supervisor determines the need to fill an existing vacancy and completes the Position Request Form (PRF) and a memo with detailed business reasons to justify filling the position. The memo should include a statement addressing the budget authority, source of funding, dates of employment or temporary nature of appointment, as well as office space arrangements.
- Vice Chancellor and/or Associate Vice Chancellor verifies position is within the budget allocation and approves and signs the PRF.
- Supervisor consults with the Office of the Chancellor Human Resources Director regarding an emergency/temporary hire, union posting requirements for a permanent hire, whether the position will be restructured at a higher or lower level than the existing position.
- Human Resources forwards PRF to Budget Unit to verify cost center and funds.

### **Officer of the Chancellor Human Resources**

Supervisor

Human Resources authorizes the search process to begin and meets with the supervisor to discuss recruitment, affirmative action commitments and the hiring time line.

Human Resources Director assists the supervisor in designing a written recruitment plan taking into account any under-utilized protected classes. The recruitment plan is approved by the Affirmative Action Officer. Supervisor prepares vacancy announcement and assists in preparing required and preferred qualifications for the position.

### FILLING A VACANT POSITION

### Officer of the Chancellor Human Resources

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Human Resources Office reviews the candidate pool and affirmative action status of candidates before interviews may begin.

### Supervisor

Supervisor coordinates the selection process; whether a search committee will be used, to whom applications should be directed, how interviews will be conducted, what the interview questions will be and how references will be checked

<u>For classified positions</u>, the hiring supervisor is forwarded a list of names and resumes for consideration.

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The supervisor schedules interviews, and the candidate of choice is selected.

### **FILLING A VACANT POSITION**

### **Office of the Chancellor Human Resources**

Human Resources Director reviews and approves salary offers before an offer is made.

If the verbal offer is accepted, the Human Resources Director, in consultation with the supervisor, will prepare an appointment letter for the Chancellor's signature. This letter confirms the position title, the proposed hire date and the agreed upon salary and conditions of employment.

Whenever possible, before the hire date, the Human Resources Director will arrange a meeting with the new employee, the Chancellor, and the Cabinet member to formally sign the appointment letter.

### Supervisor

The supervisor makes a verbal offer to the candidate.

The supervisor is responsible for informing unsuccessful applicants that a final decision has been made. The supervisor retains all search related documents in a confidential file for three years.

### MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The following appendices contain relevant Minnesota State Colleges and Universities policies

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### APPENDIX A AFFIRMATIVE ACTION IN EMPLOYMENT POLICY

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# **1B.2 Affirmative Action in Employment**

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is committed to and supports aggressive affirmative action steps and programs intended to remedy the historical underrepresentation of persons of color, women, and persons with disabilities in the workforce.

Date of Implementation:

9/20/94,

Date of Adoption: 9/20/94,

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There is no additional HISTORY for 1B.2 at this time.

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Chapter 1 - System Organization and Administration Section B - Equal Education and Employment Opportunity

# **1B.4 Access for Individuals with Disabilities**

### Part 1. Definitions.

### Subpart A. An individual with a disability:

- 1. Any person who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more of such person's major life activities.
- 2. Any person who has a record of such impairment which means that a person has a history of or has been classified as having a mental or physical impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.
- 3. Any person who is regarded as having such an impairment which means:

 a. Has a physical or mental impairment that may not substantially limit major life activities but that is treated by others as constituting such a limitation;

b. Has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits major life activities only as a result of the attitudes of others toward such impairment;

c. Has no impairment but is treated by others as having such an impairment.

Subpart B. Personal devices and services: Examples of personal devices and services include wheelchairs; individually prescribed devices, such as prescription eyeglasses or hearing aids; readers for personal use or study; or services of a personal nature including assistance in eating, toileting, or dressing.

Subpart C. Qualified individual: A person who, with or without reasonable modifications to rules, policies, or

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### Part 2. General Access Policy.

The system office, colleges, and universities will provide access to programs, services and activities to qualified individuals with known disabilities as required by law. Where an individual asks for an accommodation, the system office, college, or university may require the individual to provide documentation.

### Part 3. Availability and Notice.

Each college and university shall post notices in an accessible format to the public describing 1) college or university prohibition against discrimination, and 2) college or university contact for requesting reasonable accommodation or information.

# Part 4. Reasonable Accommodations to Ensure Access to Programs, Services, and Activities.

The system office, colleges, and universities shall make reasonable accommodations to ensure access to programs, services, and activities as required by law. Access means that a qualified individual with a disability will not be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of the services, programs, or activities, nor will the individual be subjected to discrimination. Reasonable accommodations may include modifications to rules, policies, or practices, the removal of architectural, communication, or transportation barriers, provision of auxiliary aids or the provision of equally effective programs, services, or activities. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, accommodations will <u>not</u> be provided 1) for personal devices or services even though the individual may be a qualified individual with a disability, or 2) that result in a fundamental alteration in the nature of a service, program, or activity or in undue financial or administrative burdens.

# Part 5. Offered and/or Sponsored Services or Activities for Qualified Students with Disabilities.

Colleges and universities have a responsibility to provide access to services and/or activities that are operated or sponsored by the college or university or that receive significant assistance from the college or university. Such access shall be provided in a reasonable manner as required by law. At a minimum, the following must be offered to qualified students with disabilities: 1) support, counseling. and information services that may include support groups, individual counseling, career counseling and assessment, and referral services, 2) academic assistance services that may include assistive devices, early registration services, early syllabus availability, course selection, and program advising, course work assistance, testing assistance, and modification, and tutoring, and 3) coordination services that may include personnel acting on the student's behalf and serving as the primary contact and coordinator for students needing services, assistance in working individually with faculty and administrators, intervention procedures, and grievance procedures.

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### Part 6. Procedure.

In consultation with the system office, each college and university shall establish a procedure for individuals with disabilities to make requests for accommodations to access programs, services, or activities at the college or university, consistent with state and federal laws. Such procedure for access to programs for individuals with disabilities must, at a minimum, include the following:

a. The system policy statement and system definitions. b. Assignment and identification of a staff member responsible for administering the delivery of services to individuals with disabilities.

c. Provide a process for appealing a denial of a request for program access.

Date of Implementation: 7/01/95.

Date of Adoption: 6/20/95,

Date & Subject of Revisions:

There is no additional HISTORY for 1B.4 at this time.

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# APPENDIX C REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS IN EMPLOYMENT PROCEDURE

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System Procedures for Chapter 1 - System Organization and Administration

# Procedure 1B.0.1 Reasonable Accommodations in Employment

### Part 1. Purpose

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This procedure sets forth the process to be used for responding to requests for reasonable accommodations in employment based on an applicant's or employee's disability. The scope of this procedure is limited to reasonable accommodations, and is not intended to fully describe other provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act or the Minnesota Human Rights Act.

### Part 2. Reasonable Accommodations in Employment

It is the policy of MnSCU to encourage the employment and promotion of any qualified individual including qualified individuals with disabilities. The system office, college or university will not discriminate in providing reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with a disability in regard to job application procedures, hiring, advancement, discharge, employee compensation, job training or other terms, conditions, and privileges of employment.

### Part 3. Definitions.

For purposes of this procedure, the following terms have the meaning given them.

Subpart A. Employer: The employer is the system office, college or university.

Subpart B. Essential Functions: Essential functions are the fundamental job duties of the position in question. The term does not include the marginal functions of the position.

1. A job function may be considered essential for any of several reasons, including but not limited to the following:

a. The function may be essential because the reason the position exists is to perform that function;b. The function may be essential because of the limited number of employees available among whom

the performance of that job function can be distributed; and/or

c. The function may be highly specialized so that the incumbent in the position is hired for his or her expertise or ability to perform the particular function.

2. Evidence of whether a particular function is essential includes, but is not limited to:

a. The employer's judgment as to which functions are

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essential;

b. Written job descriptions;

c. The amount of time spent on the job performing the function;

d. The consequences of not requiring the incumbent to perform the function;

e. The terms of a collective bargaining agreement;

f. The work experience of past incumbents in the job; and/or

g. The current work experience of incumbents in similar jobs.

Subpart C. Individual with a Disability: An individual with a disability for the purposes of determining reasonable accommodations is any applicant, current employee, including student employees, or employees seeking promotion, who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially or materially limits one or more of such individual=s major life activities. Generally, a disabling physical or mental condition which is expected to be temporary and from which the individual is expected to recover is not a disability under this procedure.

Subpart D. Qualified Individual with a Disability: A qualified individual with a disability is an individual with a disability who meets the requisite skill, education, experience and other job-related requirements of the job and who, with or without reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions of the job.

Subpart E. Reasonable Accommodations: A reasonable accommodation is a modification or adjustment to a job or employment practice or the work environment that enables a qualified individual with a disability to perform the essential functions of the job as identified at the time of the reasonable accommodation request and to access equal employment opportunities. Reasonable accommodations may also include those things which make a facility and its operations readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities. Under the law, the employer has a responsibility to make reasonable accommodations for individuals with a disability only if the disability is known and it is not an undue hardship under Part 6, Subpart C.

**Part 4. Identification of Assigned Staff Member.** The system office, and each college and university shall assign and identify a staff member responsible for administering requests for reasonable accommodations.

**Part 5. Right to Representation.** In accordance with applicable collective bargaining agreement language, employees may have the right to request and receive union representation during the reasonable accommodations process.

Part 6. Providing Reasonable Accommodations.

Subpart A. Job Relatedness. Reasonable accommodations will be provided only for job-related needs of individuals with a disability. The primary factor in evaluating an accommodation's job relatedness is whether the accommodation specifically assists the individual to perform the essential functions of the job as identified

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at the time of the reasonable accommodation request. If the requested accommodation is primarily for the benefit of the individual with a disability to assist that individual in daily personal activities, the employer is not required to provide the accommodation. The appropriate reasonable accommodation is best determined through a flexible, interactive process that involves both the employer and the qualified individual with a disability; it may include the appropriate union representative as provided by the applicable collective bargaining agreement.

Subpart B. Essential Functions. The system office, college or university may deny employment or advancement in employment based on the inability of an individual with a disability to perform the essential functions of the job and may decline to make accommodations to the physical or mental needs of an employee or job applicant with a disability if:

a. the accommodation would impose an undue hardship on the system office, college or university as provided under Subpart C.; or

b. the individual with a disability, with or without reasonable accommodations, is not qualified to perform the essential functions of that particular job; or

c. having the individual in the job would create a direct threat because of a significant risk to the health and safety of the individual or others and the risk cannot be eliminated by reasonable accommodation.

Subpart C. Undue Hardship: In determining whether providing a reasonable accommodation would impose an undue hardship on the employer, the factors to be considered include:

1. The nature and net cost of the accommodation needed; 2. The overall financial resources of the employer involved in the provision of the reasonable accommodation, the number of persons employed, and the effect on expenses and resources;

3. The overall financial resources of the employer, the overall size of the business of the employer with respect to the number of its employees, and the number, type and location of its facilities;

4. The type of operation or operations of the employer, including the composition, structure and functions of the workforce, and the geographic separateness and administrative or fiscal relationship of the employer in question to the covered entity; and

5. The impact of the accommodation upon the operation of the employer, including the impact on the ability of other employees to perform their duties and the impact on the employer's ability to conduct business.

Subpart D. Documentation. Documentation of a disability is required as part of the reasonable accommodation process unless the nature and extent of the disability is already known to the employer, or as a practical matter, the requested accommodation is minimal and the employer makes modifications for its convenience, regardless of whether the employee or applicant meets the

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requirements for a reasonable accommodation under this procedure.

Subpart E. Choice of Accommodations. The employer is not required to provide the specific accommodation requested by the individual and may choose an effective accommodation which is less expensive or easier to provide. Accommodations provided to the individual are the financial responsibility of the employer.

Subpart F. Request Process. The system office, colleges and universities are responsible for establishing a process for individuals with disabilities to make requests for reasonable accommodations in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act or the Minnesota Human Rights Act. Such process should include the following:

1. MnSCU policy statement and definitions;

2. Assignment and identification of a staff member responsible for administering requests for reasonable accommodations;

3. Provide a process for appealing a reasonable accommodations decision.

Part 7. Application. Nothing in this procedure is intended to expand, diminish or alter the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act or the Minnesota Human Rights Act.

Approved by the Chancellor: May 24, 2000

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### APPENDIX D NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT PROCEDURE

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Chapter 1 - System Organization and Administration Section B - Equal Education and Employment Opportunity

# 1B.1 Nondiscrimination in Employment and Education Opportunity

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination in employment and education opportunity. No person shall be discriminated against in the terms and conditions of employment, personnel practices, or access to and participation in, programs, services, and activities with regard to race, sex, color, creed, religion, age, national origin, disability, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, sexual orientation, or membership or activity in a local commission as defined by law.

Harassment of an individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, creed, religion, age, national origin, disability, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, sexual orientation, or membership or activity in a local commission has no place in a learning or work environment and is prohibited. Sexual violence has no place in a learning or work environment. Further, the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities shall work to eliminate violence in all its forms. Physical contact by designated system, college, and university staff members may be appropriate if necessary to avoid physical harm to persons or property.

This policy is directed at verbal and physical conduct that constitutes discrimination /harassment under state and federal law and is not directed at the content of speech. In cases in which verbal statements and other forms of expression are involved, MnSCU will give due consideration to an individual's constitutionally protected right to free speech and academic freedom. The system office, colleges and universities shall develop and implement a complaint process to review complaints of discrimination/harassment or sexual violence. This policy supersedes all existing system, college, and university nondiscrimination policies.

### **RACIAL DISCRIMINATION/HARASSMENT**

### Part 1. Definitions.

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Subpart A. Racial discrimination is prohibited by state and federal law. Racial discrimination is defined as conduct that is directed at an individual because of his/her race, color, or national origin or that of his/her UTCHO I T T TUTT

spouse and that subjects the individual to different treatment by agents or employees so as to interfere with or limit the ability of the individual to participate in, or benefit from, the services, activities, or privileges provided by the system or colleges and universities or otherwise adversely affects the individual's employment or education.

**Subpart B. Racial harassment** is a form of race discrimination which is prohibited by state and federal law. Racial harassment is defined as verbal or physical conduct that is directed at an individual because of his/her race, color, or national origin or that of his/her spouse and that is sufficiently severe, pervasive, or persistent so as to have the purpose or effect of creating a hostile work or educational environment. Racial harassment may occur in a variety of relationships, including faculty and student, supervisor and employee, student and student, staff and student, employee and employee, and other relationships with other persons having business at or visiting the educational environment.

### SEX DISCRIMINATION/HARASSMENT AND VIOLENCE

#### Part 2. Definitions.

**Subpart A. Sex discrimination** is prohibited by state and federal law. Sex discrimination is defined as conduct that is directed at an individual because of his/her gender or that of his/her spouse and that subjects the individual to different treatment so as to interfere with or limit the ability of the individual to participate in, or benefit from, the services, activities, or privileges provided by the system or colleges and universities or otherwise adversely affects the individual's employment or education.

Subpart B. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination which is prohibited by state and federal law. Sexual harassment is defined as unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, sexually motivated physical conduct, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

 Submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment or education, evaluation of a student's academic performance, or term or condition of participation in student activities or in other events or activities sanctioned by the college or university; or

- Submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment or academic decisions or other decisions about participation in student activities or other events or activities sanctioned by the college or university; or
- 3. Such conduct has the purpose or effect of threatening an individual's employment; interfering with an individual's work or academic performance; or creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work or educational environment.

Sexual harassment may occur in a variety of relationships, including faculty and student, supervisor and employee, student to student, employee to employee, and other persons having business with or visiting the educational environment. Sexual harassment may occur when it is directed at members of the opposite gender or when it is directed at members of the same gender. It includes, but is not limited to:

- unwelcome pressure for sexual activity;
- unwelcome, sexually motivated or inappropriate patting, pinching, or physical contact; physical contact may be appropriate, if necessary to restrain individuals to avoid physical harm to persons or property;
- demands for sexual favors or promises of preferential treatment with regard to an individual's employment or educational status accompanied by implied or overt threats concerning an individual's employment or educational status; or
- unwelcome behavior or words of a sexual nature directed at an individual because of gender.

Subpart C. Sexual violence: Acts of sexual violence are criminal behaviors and create an environment contrary to the goals and missions of the system and colleges and universities. Acts of sexual violence include:

- Forcible acts, which include non-consensual sexual contact, and/or sexual contact in which the victim is incapable of giving consent (such as when the complainant is under the influence of alcohol or drugs);
- 2. Nonforcible sex acts such as incest and statutory rape; and
- 3. The threat of an act of sexual violence. Sexual violence may include, but is not limited to:

- touching, patting, grabbing, or pinching another person's intimate parts, whether that person is of the same sex or the opposite sex;
- coercing, forcing, or attempting to coerce or force the touching of anyone's intimate parts;
- coercing, forcing, or attempting to coerce or force sexual intercourse or a sexual act on another; or
- threatening to force or coerce sexual acts, including the touching of intimate parts or intercourse, on another.

Subpart D. Sexual harassment and violence as sexual abuse. Under certain circumstances, sexual harassment or violence may constitute sexual abuse according to Minnesota law. In such situations, the system office and colleges and universities shall comply with the reporting requirements in M.S. Section 626.556 (reporting of maltreatment of minors) and MS Section 626.557 (Vulnerable Adult Protection Act). Nothing in this policy will prohibit the system office or any college or university from taking immediate action to protect victims of alleged sexual abuse.

Subpart E. Nonconsensual Relationships. Substantial risks are involved even in seemingly consensual romantic/sexual relationships where a power differential exists between the involved parties. The respect and trust accorded a faculty member or other employee by a student, as well as the power exercised by faculty in giving grades, advice, praise, recommendations, opportunities for further study or other forms of advancement may greatly diminish the student's actual freedom of choice concerning the relationship. Similarly, the authority of the supervisor to hire, fire, evaluate performance, reward, make recommendations, assign and oversee the work activities of employees may interfere with the employee's ability to choose freely in the relationship. Further, it is inherently risky where age, background, stature, credentials or other characteristics contribute to the perception that a power differential exists between the involved parties which limits the student or employee's ability to make informed choices about the relationship.

Claims of a consensual romantic/sexual relationship will not protect individuals from sexual harassment charges nor guarantee a successful defense if charges are made. It is the faculty member, supervisor or staff who will bear the burden of accountability because of his/her special power and responsibility, and it may be exceedingly difficult to use mutual consent as a defense. Therefore, all employees should be aware of the risks involved in entering into a romantic/sexual relationship where there is a superior/subordinate relationship.

### SEXUAL ORIENTATION DISCRIMINATION/HARASSMENT

### Part 3. Definitions.

Subpart A. Sexual orientation discrimination is prohibited by state law. Sexual orientation discrimination is defined as conduct that is directed at an individual because of his/her sexual orientation and that subjects the individual to different treatment by agents or employees so as to interfere with or limit the ability of the individual to participate in, or benefit from, the services, activities, or privileges provided by the system, colleges and universities or otherwise adversely affects the individual's employment or education.

**Subpart B. Sexual orientation harassment** is a form of sexual orientation discrimination which is prohibited by state law. Sexual orientation harassment is defined as verbal or physical conduct that is directed at an individual because of his/her sexual orientation and that is sufficiently severe, pervasive or persistent so as to have the purpose or effect of creating a hostile work or educational environment. Sexual orientation harassment may occur in a variety of relationships, including faculty and student, supervisor and employee, student and student, staff and student, employee and employee, and other relationships with other persons having business at or visiting the educational environment.

### DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION/HARASSMENT

### Part 4. Definitions.

Subpart A. Disability discrimination is prohibited by state and federal law. Disability discrimination as defined by law is conduct that is directed at an individual because of his/her mental/physical disability or that of his/her spouse and that subjects the individual to different treatment by agents or employees without legitimate non-discriminatory reason so as to interfere with or limit the ability of the individual to participate in, or benefit from, the services, activities, or privileges provided by the system or colleges and universities or otherwise - Doard i Oncy 1D.1 INORGISCHIIIMAGOB III DIMPROVINCIE ARG L...

adversely affects the individual's employment or education.

Subpart B. Disability harassment is a form of discrimination which is prohibited by state and federal law. Disability harassment is defined as verbal or physical conduct that is directed at an individual because of his/her mental/physical disability or that of his/her spouse and that is sufficiently severe, pervasive, or persistent so as to have the purpose or effect of creating a hostile work or educational environment. Disability harassment may occur in a variety of relationships, including faculty and student, supervisor and employee, student and student, staff and student, employee and employee, and other relationships with other persons having business at or visiting the educational environment.

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### APPENDIX E REPORT/COMPLAINT OF DISCRIMINATION/HARASSMENT INVESTIGATION AND RESOLUTION PROCEDURE

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### System Procedures for Chapter 1 - System Organization and Administration

# Procedure 1B.1.1 Report/Complaint of Discrimination/Harassment Investigation and Resolution

### for Board Policy 1B.1

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#### Part 1. Procedure objective.

This procedure is designed to further implement Minnesota State Colleges and Universities policies relating to non-discrimination by providing a process through which individuals alleging violation of system non-discrimination policies may pursue a complaint. This includes allegations of discrimination or harassment based on sex, race, age, disability, color, creed, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, marital status, status with regard to public assistance or membership or activity in a local commission. This procedure is not applicable to allegations of sexual violence which should be handled under appropriate system and college or university policies and procedures. man

A single act of discrimination may be based on more than one protected class status. For example, discrimination based on anti-Semitism may relate to religion, national origin, or both; discrimination against a pregnant woman might be based on sex, marital status, or both.

This procedure shall apply to all individuals affiliated with Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, including its students, employees, and applicants for employment, and is intended to protect the rights and privacy of both the complainant and respondent and other involved individuals, as well as to prevent retaliation/reprisal. Individuals who violate this procedure shall be subject to disciplinary or other corrective action.

Not every act that may be offensive to an individual or group constitutes discrimination or harassment. In determining whether discrimination or harassment has occurred, the totality of the circumstances surrounding the incident must be carefully reviewed and due consideration must be given to the protection of individual rights, freedom of speech, academic freedom and advocacy.

The system office, colleges, and universities shall maintain and encourage full freedom, within the law, of expression, inquiry, teaching, and research. Academic freedom comes with a responsibility that all members of our education community benefit from it without intimidation, exploitation, or coercion. Discrimination and harassment are not within the protections of academic freedom.

#### Part 2. Definitions.

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Subpart A. Designated officer. A designated officer is an individual designated by the president or chancellor to be primarily responsible for investigating or coordinating the investigation of reports and complaints of discrimination/ harassment in accordance with this procedure. Designated officers may include individuals in the affirmative action or equity office, the campus security office, the student affairs or student life office, academic or administrative offices of the system office, college, or university. The president or chancellor may designate other individuals to assume the role of the designated officer as deemed necessary.

Designated officers must attend investigator training conducted by the Office of the Chancellor.

Subpart B. Decision-making authority. A decision-maker is an

individual designated by the president or chancellor to review investigative reports, to make findings whether the discrimination/harassment policies have been violated based upon the investigation and other measures deemed necessary to reach a decision, and to determine the appropriate action for the institution to take based upon the findings. The decision-maker shall be a top level administrator such as a college or university vice president, dean or provost. At the system office, the decision-maker shall be a top level administrator such as a chancellor, vice chancellor, associate vice chancellor or other appropriate system office personnel. The president or chancellor may designate other individuals to assume the role of the decision-maker as deemed necessary.

Designated decision-makers for complaints under this procedure, including presidents, must attend decision-maker training conducted by the Office of the Chancellor.

### Part 3. Reporting incidents of discrimination/harassment.

Subpart A. Reporting an incident. The system office, colleges, and universities encourage any individual, including any student, employee, applicant for employment, or person eligible for employment (as defined by Minnesota Statutes section 43A.02), who feels she or he has been or is being subjected to discrimination/harassment to report the incident to the designated officer. Any student, faculty member or employee who knows of, receives information about or receives a complaint of discrimination/harassment is urged to report the information or complaint to the designated officer of the system office, college, or university. Subpart B. Personal resolution. In instances where an individual believes she/he personally has been subjected to behavior prohibited by the 1B.1 Non-discrimination policy, that individual may voluntarily choose to directly address the offensive behavior. In such a situation, she or he should clearly explain to the alleged offender as soon as possible after the incident that the behavior is objectionable and that it stop. Communication with the alleged offender may be in person, on the telephone, or in writing. If the behavior does not stop or if the individual believes some employment or education consequences may result from the discussion, she or he should go to the designated officer to process the complaint. Under no circumstances shall an individual be required to use personal resolution to address prohibited behaviors rather than reporting the behavior to the designated officer.

Subpart C. Duty to report. Unless the matter already has been referred to the designated officer, administrators and supervisors must inquire into allegations or behaviors that they reasonably believe may constitute discrimination or harassment and, when a report/complaint appears to be warranted, refer the matter to the designated officer. The duty to report shall not be construed to prevent immediate corrective action by an administrator or supervisor when appropriate.

Subpart D. Institutional responsibility.

 Colleges and universities. This procedure applies to all members of the educational community including students. Reports/complaints against a president of a college or university shall be filed with the system office. Complaints against a president shall be processed by the college or university if the president's role in the alleged incident was limited to a decision on a recommendation made by another administrator, such as tenure, promotion or non-renewal, and the president had no other substantial involvement in the matter. Reports and complaints against college or university vice presidents, deans, or provosts are filed at the campus level with the president or the president's designee as decision-maker.

2. System office. For reports/complaints which involve allegations against system office employees, the responsibilities identified in this procedure as those of the president are the responsibilities of the chancellor. Reports/complaints which involve allegations against the chancellor or a member of the Board of Trustees shall be referred to the chair or vice chair of the Board for processing. Such reports/complaints may be assigned to appropriate system office personnel or outside investigatory assistance may be designated.

Subpart E. Retaliation and reprisal. No retaliation, reprisal or intimidation in conjunction with a complaint of discrimination/harassment shall be tolerated by the system office, colleges, and universities. State law prohibits reprisal by a respondent, employer, labor organization, educational institution, employee, agent of the above and others as specified in statute. (Minnesota Statutes section 363.03). Any individual who retaliates against any person who testifies, assists, or participates in an investigation, proceeding or hearing in relation to a discrimination/harassment complaint shall be subject to disciplinary or other action.

Retaliation includes, but is not limited to, any form of intimidation, reprisal, coercion, discrimination, harassment, or unwanted sexual contact toward a complainant, or the complainant's relatives, friends or associates. Retaliation may occur whether or not there is a power or authority differential between the individuals involved. Reprisal also includes discrimination against an individual because that person is associated with a protected group member. Allegations of retaliation or reprisal shall be reported to the designated officer for appropriate action.

Subpart F. False statements prohibited. Any individual who provides false statements regarding the filing of a discrimination report/complaint or during the investigation of such a report/complaint may be subject to disciplinary or corrective action.

Subpart G. Withdrawn Complaints. If a complainant no longer desires to pursue a complaint, the system office, colleges, and universities reserve the right to investigate and resolve the complaint.

#### Part 4. Right to representation.

In accordance with federal law and applicable collective bargaining agreement and personnel plan language, represented employees may have the right to request and receive union representation during an investigatory meeting.

Nothing in this procedure is intended to expand, diminish or alter in any manner whatsoever any right or remedy available under a collective bargaining

agreement, personnel plan or law. Any disciplinary action imposed as a result of an investigation conducted under this procedure will be processed in accordance with the applicable collective bargaining agreement or personnel plan.

### Part 5. Investigation and resolution.

The system office, college or university has an affirmative duty to take timely and appropriate action to stop inappropriate behavior, conduct investigations and facilitate resolutions as appropriate.

Subpart A. Making a report/complaint. The designated officer must be contacted in order to initiate a report/complaint. The report/complaint should be brought as soon as possible after an incident occurs. The designated officer shall retain control of the investigatory process and determine whether and/or how to proceed.

Subpart B. Initial inquiry and review process. After receiving a report/complaint, the designated officer shall take the steps listed below:

- 1. Jurisdiction. The designated officer shall determine whether the report/complaint is one which should be processed through another system office, college or university procedure available to the complainant; if appropriate, the designated officer shall direct the complainant to that procedure as soon as possible.
- 2. Conflicts. If the designated officer determines that the report/complaint falls within the scope of the institution's nondiscrimination policies and this procedure, the designated officer shall first determine who will conduct the complaint process. The designated officer should identify to the president or chancellor any real or perceived conflict of interest in proceeding as the designated officer for a specific complaint. If the president determines that a conflict exists, another designated officer shall be assigned.
- Information provided to complainant. At the time the report/complaint is made, the designated officer shall:
   a.) inform the complainant of the provisions of the nondiscrimination policy;

b.) provide a copy of the policy and the report/complaint procedure to the complainant;

c.) advise the complainant of other options such as alternative dispute resolution or mediation and that the complainant may also choose to pursue other legal options; and

d.) determine whether other individuals are permitted to accompany the complainant during investigatory interviews and the extent of their involvement.

4. **Complaint Form**. The designated officer shall insure that the complaint is documented in writing on the complaint form available from system office, college, or university authorities. The complaint form must include:

a.) a detailed description of the facts upon which the charge is based;

b.) name(s) of the respondent(s), if known;

c.) a list of possible witnesses as deemed appropriate by the

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d.) other information pertinent to the complaint.

At the conclusion of the process, the final disposition of the complaint shall be included on the complaint form.

5. Information provided to the respondent. At the time initial contact is made with the respondent, the designated officer shall:

a.) inform the respondent in writing of the existence and general nature of the complaint and the provisions of the nondiscrimination policy;

b.) provide a copy of the policy and the report/complaint procedure to the respondent;

c.) advise the respondent of other options such as alternative dispute resolution or mediation;

d.) explain to the respondent that in addition to being interviewed by the designated officer, the respondent may provide a written response to the allegations; and e.) determine whether other individuals are permitted to accompany the respondent during investigative interviews and the extent of their involvement.

Processing the complaint. The designated officer shall:

 a.) conduct a fact-finding inquiry or investigation into the complaint, including appropriate interviews and meetings;
 b.) investigate the complaint without identifying the complainant, if in the judgment of the designated officer, this would increase the likelihood of satisfactory resolution of the complaint;

c.) inform the complainant, respondent, witnesses and other involved individuals of the prohibition against retaliation and reprisal;

d.) create, gather and maintain investigative documentation as appropriate;

e.) disclose appropriate information to others only on a need to know basis consistent with state and federal law, and provide a data privacy notice (Tennessen warning) in accordance with state law; and

f.) inform the complainant and respondent of the status of the investigation at reasonable times until final disposition of the complaint.

Subpart C. Initial inquiry and informal resolution. After conducting an initial inquiry and review, if the designated officer determines that the issue can be resolved without further investigation, the designated officer may use one or more of the following methods to resolve the complaint:

- 1. suggest counseling or sensitivity training;
- conduct training for the unit, division, or department, calling attention to the consequences of engaging in such behavior;
- 3. facilitate meetings between the parties;
- 4. separate the parties, after consultation with appropriate system office, college or university personnel;
- 5. prepare a written letter of agreement confirming that the respondent has been informed of the policy and complaint procedure, identifying and documenting the respondent's acceptance of the designated officer's resolution of the

complaint, and stating that retaliation is prohibited;

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6. other possible outcomes may include explicit agreements about future conduct, a letter of apology to the complainant, changes in workplace assignments, enrollment in a different course or program, or other appropriate action.

Subpart D. Investigation and decision process. If the above methods do not resolve the complaint within a reasonable period of time to the satisfaction of the designated officer, or the designated officer feels additional steps should be taken, the procedures in this subpart shall be followed.

 Designated officer. The designated officer shall:

 a.) conduct further investigation as deemed appropriate by the designated officer;

b.) prepare an investigation report for review by the decision-maker;

- c.) take additional investigative measures as requested by the decision-maker;
- d.) provide sufficient information to the respondent consistent with federal and state data privacy laws to allow the respondent to respond to the substance of the complaint; and

e.) provide the investigation report to the complainant or respondent upon request unless the information is protected under state or federal law.

- Decision-maker. After receiving the investigation report prepared by the designated officer, the decision-maker shall:
   a.) determine whether additional steps should be taken, at the discretion of the decision-maker, prior to making the decision. Additional steps may include:
  - 1. a request that the designated officer take additional investigative measures;
  - a meeting with the complainant, respondent or other involved individuals. If a meeting involving a represented employee is convened, the complainant or respondent may choose to be accompanied by the bargaining unit representative, in accordance with the applicable collective bargaining agreement and federal and state law. Other employees may be accompanied by an attorney or other support person at the discretion of the decision-maker;
  - 3. a request for additional information which may include a written response from the complainant or respondent relating to the allegations of the complaint;

b.) take other measures deemed necessary to reach a decision;

c.) when making the decision, take into account the surrounding circumstances, the nature of the behaviors, the relationship(s) between the parties, the context in which the alleged incident(s) occurred, and other relevant factors; d.) determine the nature, scope and timing of disciplinary or corrective action and the process for implementation if a violation of the nondiscrimination policy occurs. This may include consultation with human resource or supervisory personnel to determine appropriate discipline;

e.) report in writing to the complainant, respondent and the designated officer her or his findings as to whether or not the nondiscrimination policy has been violated. The written answer to the complainant shall be provided within 60 days after a complaint is made unless reasonable cause for delay exists.

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Subpart E. Confidentiality. Confidentiality cannot be guaranteed; however, care will be taken to keep investigation discussions sufficiently broad to protect the complainant's identity when appropriate. There may be instances in which the system office, college, or university has a responsibility to act even if the complainant requests that no action be taken. In such instances, the system office, college or university may investigate and take appropriate action on the basis of the facts or evidence available.

Subpart F. Investigative data. Information gathered during the investigation will be handled in accordance with federal and state data privacy laws.

#### Subpart G. Other remedies.

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- Reassignment or administrative leave. Under appropriate circumstances, the president or chancellor may reassign or place an employee on administrative leave at any point in time during the report/complaint process. In determining whether to place an employee on administrative leave or reassignment, consideration shall be given to the nature of the alleged behavior, the relationships between the parties, the context in which the alleged incidents occurred and other relevant factors. Any action taken must be consistent with the applicable collective bargaining agreement or personnel plan.
- 2. Summary suspension or other action. Under appropriate circumstances, the president or designee may impose on a student a summary suspension or other temporary measures at any point in time during the report/complaint process. A summary suspension may be imposed when, in the judgment of the president or designee, the accused student's presence on the college or university campus would constitute a threat to the safety and well-being of members of the campus community. Before implementing the summary suspension, the accused student shall be given notice of the intention to impose the summary suspension and, except in an emergency, shall be given an opportunity to present oral or written arguments against the imposition of the suspension. After the student has been summarily suspended, the report/complaint process should be completed within the shortest reasonable time period, not to exceed nine (9) class days. During the summary suspension, the student may not enter the campus or participate in any college or university activities without obtaining prior permission from the administrator. Other temporary measures may be taken in lieu of summary suspension where the president or designee determines such measures are appropriate.
- 3. Alternative dispute resolution and mediation. The system office, colleges, and universities, in consultation with the

system Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity, may use alternative dispute resolution or mediation services as a method of resolving discrimination/harassment complaints. Alternative dispute resolution and mediation options require the voluntary participation of all parties to the complaint.

#### Part 6. System office, college, or university action.

The system office, college, or university shall take the appropriate corrective action based on results of the investigation and shall follow up as appropriate to ensure that the corrective action is effective. Complainants are encouraged to report any recurrences of conduct which were found to violate the system non-discrimination policies.

The decision-maker shall notify the complainant and respondent in writing of the final disposition of the complaint. Written notice to parties relating to discipline, resolutions, and/or final dispositions resulting from the report/complaint process is deemed to be official correspondence from the system office, college or university.

### Part 7. Appeal.

**Subpart A. Filing an appeal.** The complainant and the respondent may appeal the decision of the decision-maker. An appeal must be filed in writing with the president or designee within ten (10) business days after notification of the decision. The appeal must state specific reasons why the complainant or respondent believes the decision was improper. In a complaint against a president or other official who reports directly to the chancellor, an appeal may be considered by the chancellor whether or not the chancellor served as the decisionmaker.

**Subpart B. Effect of review.** For employees represented by a collective bargaining agreement, an appeal under this procedure is separate and distinct from, and is not in any way related to, any contractual protections or procedures. During the pendency of the appeal disciplinary or corrective action taken as a result of the decision shall be enforced. In addition, in cases involving sanctions of suspension for ten (10) days or longer, students shall be informed of their right to a contested case hearing under Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 14.

**Subpart C. Appeal process.** The president or designee shall review the record provided and determine whether the complaint is substantiated or not substantiated. The president or designee may receive additional information if the president or designee believes such information would aid in the consideration of the appeal. The decision on appeal will be made within a reasonable time and the complainant, respondent and designated officer shall be notified in writing of the decision. The decision on appeal exhausts the complainant's and respondent's administrative remedies under this procedure except as provided herein.

### Part 8. Education and training.

The system office, colleges and universities shall provide education and training programs to promote awareness and prevent discrimination/harassment, such

as education seminars, peer-to-peer counseling, operation of hotlines, self-defense courses, and informational material development and distribution. Education and training programs should include education about the system office, colleges and universities non-discrimination policies as well as conducting investigations, management and implementation of this procedure.

### Part 9. Dissemination of report/complaint procedure.

Information regarding this procedure and the system office, college or university non-discrimination policies must be provided to each student during student registration and each employee on acceptance of employment. Copies of the policies shall be conspicuously posted at appropriate locations at the system office and on college and university campuses at all times and shall include the designated officers' names, locations and telephone numbers.

Designated officers also must be identified by name, location and phone number in informational publications such as student catalogs, student and employee handbooks, bulletin boards, campus websites or other appropriate public announcements.

### Part 10. Maintenance of report/complaint procedure documentation.

During and upon the completion of the complaint process, the complaint file shall be reposited in a secure location in the office of the designated officer for the system office, college or university. Access to the data shall be in accordance with the respective collective bargaining agreement or personnel plan, the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act or other applicable law.

Designated officers are required to report investigative data concerning investigations under Board policy 1B.1 to the Office of the Chancellor on a quarterly basis.

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# DISCRIMINATION/HARASSMENT COMPLAINT FORM

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EXPLAIN YOUR COMPLAINT IN DETAIL. INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION. ADD ADDITIONAL PAGES IF NECESSARY. ATTACH DOCUMENTS YOU BELIEVE MAY BE HELPFUL IN INVESTIGATING YOUR COMPLAINT.

1. Describe the specific incident(s) of discrimination/harassment/retaliation. List times, dates, locations, names and titles of the people involved in the incident(s).

2. Explain why you believe that you were discriminated/harassed/retaliated against because of your protected class status (race, age, gender, disability, etc).

3. Provide the names and titles of people you believe were treated more favorably than you due to your protected class status. List the protected class status (race, age, gender, disability, etc.) of each person.

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# APPENDIX F OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR EMERGENCY PLAN AND PROCEDURES

> Wells Fargo Place Emergency Plan (formerly World Trade Center)

Energy Technology Center Emergency Plan

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# MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

# and PROCEDURES for WELLS FARGO PLACE



# EMERGENCY PLAN & PROCEDURES MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGE & UNIVERSITIES OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR WELLS FARGO PLACE

The Wells Fargo Place (hereafter referred to as WFP) maintains 24-hour a day, 7-day a week inhouse security for retail and office tenants. Security officers regularly patrol all areas of the building.

To summon building security, call 298-9882 (emergency/security number). For special security concerns that are not an emergency, contact Mary Fields, Office Manager at 282-2548 or the Office of the Chancellor reception desk at 296-8012 and they will make the appropriate contacts.

- In case of an emergency, <u>DIAL 9, THEN 911. REMEMBER 99-11.</u>
- <u>NEXT you MUST CALL 298-9882</u> to alert building security of the emergency.
- Report the incident to the Emergency Procedure Director, Mary Fields at 282-2548 or the Office of the Chancellor reception desk at 296-8012.

#### I. Purpose

This plan outlines the procedures and actions to be taken during a fire, severe weather, bomb threat or other emergency situation (i.e., harassing or threatening phone calls, medical emergency, elevator emergency).

#### II. <u>RESPONSIBILITIES</u>

- A. <u>Chancellor or designee:</u>
- Approve the plan and any necessary revisions
- Direct implementation of the plan
- B. <u>Emergency Procedures Director</u>:
- Develop, advise implementation, and maintain the emergency plan.
- Coordinate implementation of the plan with WFP Operations Department.
- Appoint and train floor monitors, mobility impaired attendants, and maintain a list of their names and phone numbers (Attachment 1).
- Coordinate training sessions for employees.
- After receiving a bomb threat, determine in consultation with WFP Security and MnSCU management whether to order an evacuation or relocation.

- C. <u>Floor Monitors</u>
- Coordinate prompt relocation or evacuation during an emergency.
- During a relocation or evacuation, make sure the stairways are smoke free, and if safe to do so, conduct a final floor check to ensure that everyone has evacuated, all doors are closed and mobility impaired employees are safe.
- Ensure that aisles and exits are clear and report problems to supervisor or manager.
- Maintain a current roster of employees in assigned area. Following relocation or evacuation procedure, verify that all employees have left the area.
- Read and understand the emergency Plan and Procedures Document and attend required training.
- D. <u>Mobility Impaired Attendants:</u>
- Assist with the relocation or evacuation of mobility impaired employees.
- Attend required training.
- E. <u>Managers and supervisors:</u>
- Ensure that all employees under their supervision understand the emergency procedures.
- When evacuation or relocation is required, help floor monitors in accounting for area employees at the relocation area.
- Ensure that each mobility impaired employee has two attendants assigned to help during an emergency.
- Ensure that all employees under their supervision relocate or evacuate when alarm signal sounds. If any employee refuses to leave, report name to the Emergency Procedures Director (Mary Fields) or designee.
- Attend required training.
- F. <u>Employees</u>
- Leave the building when the fire alarm is activated or when instructed to relocate.
- Assist visitors or contractors in your area.
- Attend required training.
- G. <u>Wells Fargo Place Security and Operations Departments:</u>
- Maintain building fire protection, detection, suppression systems and provide, maintain and post accurate evacuation floor diagrams for each floor.
- Notify Emergency Procedures Director in case of fire, severe weather or bomb threat or any other circumstance which could jeopardize the safety of the Office of the Chancellor employees.

#### **BOMB THREAT PROCEDURE**

#### In case of a bomb threat:

#### 1. Dial \*57 on your phone immediately after to track the call.

- 2. Remain calm. Use the attached Telephone Checklist to record information concerning the bomb threat. Have this list ready for the authorities.
- 3. Call 99-11 and the Wells Fargo Place Security at 298-9882. Give the following information to both:
- State "I have received a bomb threat."
- Company name Minnesota State Colleges & Universities.
- Address: 30 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Floor and suite number.
- Give the name and phone number of the person who received the call.
- After you have made the above calls, notify the following:
   \* Mary Fields, Emergency Procedures Director at 282-2548 or Margaret Johnson, Director of Personnel at 296-3357
   \* Designated floor monitor and alternate
- 4. **<u>DO NOT</u>** touch suspicious objects if found.

#### THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS DURING A BOMB THREAT:

- Police and building personnel are notified.
- A search is made by police and/or building personnel.
- Building Security and Office of the Chancellor management will determine <u>if</u> evacuation is necessary. If evacuation is advised, floor monitors will assist emergency personnel with the orderly evacuation of the building. Follow the posted Evacuation Procedures.
- The Police or Bomb Squad will contact and question the person who received the bomb threat.
- An "all clear" will be given when authorized by Building Management.

#### **SEE EVACUATION PROCEDURE**

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#### TELEPHONE CHECKLIST FOR BOMB THREAT

#### KEEP CALM: Do not get excited or excite others.

Caller's exact words

ASK THE CALLER: (DELAY – ASK CALL	
. When is the bomb going to explode?	
2. Where is the bomb right now?	
3. What does the bomb look like?	
4. What kind of bomb is it?	
5. What will cause it to explode?	
5. Did you place the bomb?	If not, who did?
7. Why?	
3. What is your name?	
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#### FIRE PROCEDURE

#### In case of fire:

When a fire triggers the sprinklers, heat or smoke detection systems, the fire alarm will sound on the fire floor and the floor directly above and the floor directly below it.

- 1. If you discover a fire, call the emergency number 99-11 and the Office of the Building at 651-229-2800. Have the following information available:
- Building name Wells Fargo Place
- Address: 30 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street
- Floor number and suite number
- Details of the fire emergency
- 2. Next:
- Notify Mary Fields, Emergency Procedure Director at 282-2548 or the receptionist at 296-8012.
- Notify your floor monitor (see attachment 1).
- Notify alternate floor monitor (see attachment 1).
- 3. If evacuation is necessary, see full Evacuation Procedures posted by each stairway door.

#### DO

- Use stairwells to evacuate. Elevators will not respond.
- Follow the directions of your floor monitor.

#### DON'T

- **<u>DO NOT</u>** attempt to fight the fire.
- **DO NOT** use the elevators.

#### THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS IN A FIRE EMERGENCY:

- Fire department is notified
- Wells Fargo Place will respond
- Professional help is on the way
- Employees will be notified if evacuation is necessary

#### SEE EVACUATION PROCEDURE

#### **TORNADO/SEVERE WEATHER PROCEDURE**

A tornado warning is an alert by the National Weather Service confirming a tornado sighting and location. The Weather Service will announce the approximate time of detection and direction of movement. Winds will be 75 MPH or greater.

PUBLIC WARNING will come over the radio, TV or there will be five (5) minute steady blasts of sirens by the Ramsey County Civil Defense Warning System. If you hear the sirens or are informed over the public address system of severe weather approaching, please take the following actions.

#### **ACTION TO TAKE:**

- Call your floor monitor.
- Get away from the perimeter of the building and exterior glass.
- Leave your exterior office close the door.
- Go to the nearest stairwell and stay there until the "all clear" is given.
- An "all clear" will be given over the public address system when the National Weather Service authorizes it.

#### IF YOU ARE CAUGHT IN AN OUTSIDE PERIMETER OFFICE:

• Seek protection under a desk. Protect yourself from flying glass.

#### IF YOU ARE IN TRANSIT IN THE BUILDING:

• Do not go to the first floor lobby, skyways or outside the building.

Security personnel will arrive and help as soon as possible.

#### MEDICAL EMERGENCY

- 1. **DO NOT** move the injured or ill person. Keep them warm and comfortable.
- 2. Call 99-11 and give this information:
- Address: 30 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Victim's exact location in the building.
- Type of injury, illness or symptoms.
- Your name and telephone number.
- 3. Notify Mary Fields, Emergency Procedure Director at 282-2548.
- 4. Notify Zeller Management at 651-229-2800.
- 5. Meet paramedics in the lobby of your floor to direct them to the injured person.

#### **ELEVATOR EMERGENCY**

#### WHAT TO DO:

- 1. Open the telephone panel.
- 2. Push the button and wait for the phone to auto-dial.
- State that you are stuck in an elevator.
- Give the elevator number which is noted on the door of the telephone panel.
- Indicate the floor location, if you can determine it.
- 3. Remain calm and wait for help to arrive.
- 4. To prevent injury to yourself and others:
- **<u>DO NOT</u>** try to pry open the doors. This could prolong the emergency by damaging the equipment.
- **<u>DO NOT</u>** try to climb out or jump to the floors below if the elevator stops between floors with the doors open.
- 5. Building personnel will be in communication with you by phone and from outside the elevator.

# HARASSING/THREATENING PHONE CALLS

#### Treat all personal threats seriously – never consider a threat a prank!

#### WHAT TO DO:

1. Keep the caller talking and listen carefully to get as much information as possible.

- Write down what the caller says.
- Be alert for distinguishing background sounds (music, traffic, bells, etc.).
- Note any voice characteristics (gender, age, stutters, accent, drunk, slang).
- Ask for caller's name.
- Without alarming the caller, try to alert a co-worker about the call so they can alert your supervisor and building security. <u>When the caller hangs up press \*57 to trace the call.</u> After you trace the call, call 291-5970. (Building Security)
- 3. Employees receiving a personal threat on voice mail should save the message, and alert their supervisor.
- 4. Employees receiving a personal threat via written or graphic material should save all materials, including envelopes or containers. Alert supervisor.
- 5. Employees receiving a threat directed at another individual must notify their supervisor.
- 6. The target individual should report the threat to the police.

# Evacuation – General Information WFP Offices

- Emergency Evacuation Procedures are posted by all stairwell doors within the Office of the Chancellor space at WFP.
- Whether an evacuation from Wells Fargo Place is necessary may be decided by one or all of the following:
- > Office of the Chancellor leadership
- Building management (Zeller)
- ➤ Local fire department
- It is the responsibility of each employee to know who their Floor Monitor is, as well as the alternate monitor on their floor. See Attachment 1 for names of floor monitors.
- If you have guests in the building, be sure to assist them with evacuation. Remember, they may not be familiar with the building and will need your assistance.
- During an emergency evacuation, elevators are captured to the ground floor and will not respond to your call. Always use the <u>stairwells</u> to evacuate the building during an emergency. If you need assistance, tell your floor monitor. <u>Hint</u>: Remove high heeled shoes when going down the stairs.
- All stairwell doors in the WFP tower are equipped with an alarm contact and are self-locking. <u>During an emergency evacuation, you should remember that only the stairwells for the floors</u> <u>that are being evacuated will be unsecured</u>. If the tenants on other floors in the tower are not being evacuated, their doors will remain secure and you will not be able to get out of the stairwell and onto those floors. <u>Ground level stairwell doors will always allow you to exit</u> <u>from the stairway to the outside</u>.
- Persons who are mobility or sensory impaired must be accompanied by two attendants and be moved close to the nearest stairwell. One attendant will stay with the impaired person. The other attendant will notify emergency personnel as to where the person is waiting.
- Once out of the building, do not attempt to return until an "All-Clear" is given.

# See next page for Emergency Evacuation Procedures

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## EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURES Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Office of the Chancellor Wells Fargo Place Offices

- Remain calm and quiet and follow instructions from floor monitors and/or the building PA system.
- Mobility or sensory impaired persons should be moved close to the nearest stairwell by two attendants. One attendant will stay with the impaired person while the other attendant notifies emergency personnel as to where the person is waiting.
- Advise all visitors and guests in your area about the evacuation procedure.
- Exit the building via the nearest stairwell. Use handrail and keep to the right.
- Leave the building immediately. Cross 7<sup>th</sup> Street to the open, grassy area adjacent to the parking ramp. Report to your floor monitor or work group.

#### **DO NOT LIST**

**DO NOT** use elevators. Use stairwells.

**DO NOT** run or react in any way that will cause alarm or panic.

**DO NOT** block stairwells, vestibules or doors. Move out of the way of emergency personnel going up the stairs.

**DO NOT** try to return to the building until an "All-Clear" is given by the building authority.

**Note**: Floor monitors will be wearing a blaze orange vest and/or hard hat so they are easy to identify. A list of Floor Monitors is included in the Emergency Plan and Procedures information.

#### MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES Office of the Chancellor

# Floor Monitor List

- Emergency Procedures Director Mary Fields (282-2548)
- Alternate Margaret Johnson (296-3357)

<b>Building Location</b>	Name	Telephone
4 <sup>th</sup> Floor	Joyce Petsch	297-4390
5 <sup>th</sup> Floor – MnSAT	Anita Hess	296-2383
5 <sup>th</sup> Floor – South Side	Dorothy Zenner	282-5519
5 <sup>th</sup> Floor – North Side	Anne Stowell	282-6545
5 <sup>th</sup> Floor – Alternate	Vicki Schoenbeck	296-5709
6 <sup>th</sup> Floor – South Side	Cathy Bisser	296-3816
6 <sup>th</sup> Floor – North Side	Shelly Robshaw	297-4614
6 <sup>th</sup> Floor – Alternate	Janet Marshall	296-5326
7 <sup>th</sup> Floor – South Side	Patti Hals	297-3696
7 <sup>th</sup> Floor – North Side	Kathy Weersma	296-3874
7 <sup>th</sup> Floor – Alternate	Cindy Nelsen	296-3755

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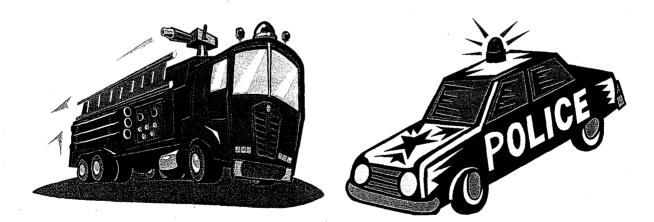
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# EMERGENCY PLAN and PROCEDURES for

# **ENERGY TECHNOLOGY CENTER**



#### EMERGENCY PLAN & PROCEDURES MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGE & UNIVERSITIES OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

#### **Energy Technology Center (ETC Building)**

The Energy Technology Center (hereafter referred to as ETC) is owned and managed by Wellington Management. The ETC Building does not have on-site security. The Office of the Chancellor Emergency Procedures Coordinator is Mary Fields, who is located in the downtown office. **On-site emergency coordinators for ETC are Bev Schuft and Dick Johnson.** 

For special security concerns that are not an emergency, contact the reception desk at 649-5777 and the receptionist will make the appropriate contacts.

- In case of an emergency <u>DIAL 9, THEN 911. REMEMBER 99-11.</u>
- Notify the reception desk at 649-5777 so they can direct emergency personnel.
- Report the incident to the Emergency Procedure Director(s) Bev Schuft (649-5960) and/or Dick Johnson (632-5029).

#### I. <u>PURPOSE</u>

This plan outlines the procedures and actions to be taken during a fire, severe weather, bomb threat or other emergency situation (i.e., harassing or threatening phone calls, medical emergency, elevator emergency).

#### II. <u>RESPONSIBILITIES</u>

- A. <u>Chancellor or designee:</u>
- Approve the plan and any necessary revisions
- Direct implementation of the plan
- B. <u>Emergency Procedures Director</u>:
- Develop, advise implementation, and maintain the emergency plan.
- Coordinate implementation of the plan with ETC Building owners/managers.
- Appoint and train floor monitors, mobility impaired attendants, and maintain a list of their names and phone numbers (Attachment 1).
- Coordinate training sessions for employees.
- After receiving a bomb threat, determine in consultation with St. Paul Police Department, Wellington Management, other building tenants and Office of the Chancellor senior management whether to order an evacuation or relocation and when it is safe to reenter the building.

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- C. <u>Floor Monitors</u>
- Coordinate prompt relocation or evacuation during an emergency.
- During a relocation or evacuation, make sure the stairways are smoke free, and if safe to do so, conduct a final floor check to ensure that everyone has evacuated, all doors are closed and mobility impaired employees are safe.
- Ensure that aisles and exits are clear and report problems to supervisor or manager.
- Maintain a current roster of employees in assigned area. Following relocation or evacuation procedure, verify that all employees have left the area.
- Read and understand the Emergency Plan and Procedures Document and attend required training.
- D. <u>Mobility Impaired Attendants:</u>
- Assist with the relocation or evacuation of mobility impaired employees.
- Attend required training.
- E. <u>Managers and Supervisors:</u>
- Ensure that all employees under their supervision understand the emergency procedures.
- When evacuation or relocation is required, help floor monitors account for employees at the relocation area.
- Ensure that each mobility impaired employee has two attendants assigned to help during an emergency.
- Ensure that all employees under their supervision relocate or evacuate when alarm signal sounds. If any employee refuses to leave, report name to the local Emergency Procedures Director (Bev Schuft or Dick Johnson) or designee.
- Attend required training.
- F. <u>Employees</u>
- Leave the building when the fire alarm is activated or when instructed to relocate.
- Assist visitors or contractors in your area.
- Attend required training.
- G. ETC Operations Departments (Wellington Management, Inc.)
- Maintain and test building fire protection, detection, suppression and notification systems.
- Notify Office of the Chancellor Emergency Procedures Director in case of fire, severe weather or bomb threat that occurred in other areas of the building.

#### **BOMB THREAT PROCEDURE**

#### In case of a bomb threat:

1. **Dial \*57 on your phone immediately after hanging up to track the call.** Remain calm.

Next, Call 99-11 and the Reception Desk at 649-5777.
 After calling 99-11, use the attached "Telephone Checklist" to record information

concerning the bomb threat. Have this list ready for the authorities.

- 3. Report the following information to both 911 operator and receptionist.
  - State "I have received a bomb threat."
  - Company name Minnesota State Colleges & Universities.
  - Address: 1450 Energy Park Drive, St. Paul
  - Floor and suite number.
  - Name and telephone number of the person who received the call.
  - Your name and telephone number

4. After you have made the above calls, notify the following:

- Bev Schuft (649-5960) or Dick Johnson (632-5029).
- Designated floor monitor and alternate (see attachment 1)
- 5. <u>**DO NOT</u>** touch suspicious objects if found. Evacuate the area.</u>

#### THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS DURING A BOMB THREAT:

- Police and building personnel are notified.
- A search is made by police and/or building personnel.
- If evacuation is advised, floor monitors will assist emergency personnel with the orderly evacuation of the building. Follow established "Evacuation Procedures."
- The Police or Bomb Squad will contact and question the person who received the bomb threat.
- An "all clear" will be given when authorized by Building Management.

#### **SEE EVACUATION PROCEDURE**

#### TELEPHONE CHECKLIST FOR BOMB THREAT

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2. Where is the bomb right r	now?	
3. What does the bomb look	like?	
4. What kind of bomb is it?	·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
5. What will cause it to expl	ode?	
6. Did you place the bomb?	If not, who	did?
7. Why?		
8. What is your name?		
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#### FIRE PROCEDURE

#### In case of fire:

In the ETC Building, a fire alarm can be triggered by heat and/or smoke detectors, sprinkers or from a pull station. Pull stations are located in each entrance by the elevator. A fire alarm will sound throughout the building and the local fire department is automatically notified.

- 1. If you discover a fire, call 99-11.
- 2. Report the following information to the 911 operator:
  - Building name Energy Technology Center (ETC)
  - Address: 1450 Energry Park Drive, St. Paul
  - Floor number and suite number
  - Details of the fire emergency

#### 3. Next:

- Notify the receptionist desk at 649-5777.
- Notify ETC Emergency Procedures Director(s) Bev Schuft (649-5960) or Dick Johnson (632-5029).
- Notify your floor monitor (see attachment 1).
- Notify alternate floor monitor (see attachment 1).
- 4. If evacuation is necessary, follow Evacuation Procedures:

#### THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS IN A FIRE EMERGENCY:

- St. Paul Fire department is notified Professional help is on the way.
- Floor Monitors will assist with evacuation.
- Employees should evacuate premises via the stairwells and meet their work group at the outer edge of the East Parking Lot.
- Employees will not be allowed to reenter the building until an "All Clear" is announced by the Fire Department.

#### **SEE EVACUATION PROCEDURE**

#### **TORNADO/SEVERE WEATHER PROCEDURE**

A tornado warning is an alert by the National Weather Service confirming a tornado sighting and location. The Weather Service will announce the approximate time of detection and direction of movement. Winds will be 75 MPH or greater.

PUBLIC WARNING will come over the radio, TV or there will be five (5) minute steady blasts of sirens by the Ramsey County Civil Defense Warning System. If you hear the sirens or are informed over the public address system of severe weather approaching, please take the following actions. The reception desk on 3<sup>rd</sup> floor and one of the offices in the Fire/EMS/Safety Center is equipped with a weather alert radio. If severe weather is in the forecast, those radios will be tuned in to the weather emergency channel.

#### **ACTION TO TAKE:**

- Call your floor monitor.
- Get away from the perimeter of the building and exterior glass.
- Leave your exterior office close the door.
- Using the nearest stairwell, go to the lower level exterior corridor, or to an interior room without windows, such as copy/file room or a conference room. Stay there until the emergency has passed.
- Do not go to the interior of the building where the atrium is open to the glass ceiling.
- Stay tuned to a radio and wait until and "All Clear" announcement is given before returning to your office.

#### **IF YOU ARE CAUGHT IN AN OUTSIDE PERIMETER OFFICE:**

• Seek protection under a desk. Protect yourself from flying glass.

Emergency personnel will arrive and help as soon as possible.

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#### MEDICAL EMERGENCY

1. **DO NOT** move the injured or ill person. Keep them warm and comfortable.

- 2. Call 99-11 and give this information:
  - Address: 1450 Energy Park Drive, St. Paul, MN
  - Victim's exact location in the building.
  - Type of injury, illness or symptoms.
  - Your name and telephone number.
- 3. Notify Bev Schuft (640-5960) or Dick Johnson (632-5029) Emergency Procedures Directors.
- 4. Notify reception desk at 649-5777.
- 5. Meet paramedics in the lobby of your floor to direct them to the injured person.

#### **ELEVATOR EMERGENCY**

#### WHAT TO DO:

- 1. Open the telephone panel.
- 2. Call number posted inside the door panel. When the elevator company answers, provide the following information:
  - Building name
  - Floor level if possible
  - Which elevator you are in (posted in the elevator)
- 3. Remain calm.
- 4. Answer the telephone in the elevator if it rings.
- 5. Do not try to force open an elevator door.
- 6. Do not use the elevator telephone for non-emergency conversations.

#### HARASSING/THREATENING PHONE CALLS

Treat all personal threats seriously – never consider a threat a prank!

#### WHAT TO DO:

- 1. Keep the caller talking and listen carefully to get as much information as possible.
  - Write down what the caller says.
  - Be alert for distinguishing background sounds (music, traffic, bells, etc.).
  - Note any voice characteristics (gender, age, stutters, accent, drunk, slang).
  - <u>Ask for caller's name.</u>
- Without alarming the caller, try to alert a co-worker about the call so they can alert your supervisor. <u>When the caller hangs up, press \*57 to trace the call.</u> After you trace the call, contact the Emergency Procedures Director(s) Bev Schuft (649-5760) or Dick Johnson at (632-5029) and the reception desk (649-5777).
- 3. Employees receiving a personal threat on voice mail should save the message, and alert their supervisor.
  - 4. Employees receiving a personal threat via written or graphic material should save all materials, including envelopes or containers. Alert your supervisor.
  - 5. Employees receiving a threat directed at another individual must notify their supervisor.
  - 6. The target individual should report the threat to the police.

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# Evacuation – General Information ETC Offices

> Whether an evacuation is necessary may be decided by one or all of the following:

- Office of the Chancellor leadership
- Building owner/manager (Wellington Management)
- Emergency Procedures Director(s)
- Local fire department
- Business Continuity Coordinator
- It is the responsibility of each employee to know who their Floor Monitor is, as well as the alternate monitor on their floor. See Attachment 1 for names of floor monitors.
- If you have guests in the building, be sure to assist them with evacuation. Remember, they may not be familiar with the building and will need your assistance.
- During an emergency evacuation, elevators are will not respond to your call. Always use the stairwells to evacuate the building. If you need assistance, tell your floor monitor.
   <u>Hint</u>: Remove high heeled shoes when going down the stairs.
- Persons who are mobility or sensory impaired must be accompanied by two attendants and be moved close to the nearest stairwell. One attendant will stay with the impaired person. The other attendant will notify emergency personnel as to where the person is waiting.
- > Once out of the building, do not attempt to return until an "All-Clear" is given.

## **See next page for Emergency Evacuation Procedures**

## EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURES Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Office of the Chancellor Energy Technology Center (ETC)

Remain calm and quiet and follow instructions from floor monitor or alternate monitor.

- Mobility or sensory impaired persons should be moved close to the nearest stairwell by two attendants. One attendant will stay with the impaired person while the other attendant notifies emergency personnel as to where the person is waiting.
- Advise all visitors and guests in your area about the evacuation procedure.
- > Exit the building via the nearest stairwell. Use handrail and keep to the right.
- Leave the building immediately. Proceed away from the building and join your work group at the outer edge of the EAST PARKING LOT. When everyone is out of the building, floor monitors will report to the front of the building, near the east entrance, to give a status report and head count for their area.

#### **DO NOT LIST**

**DO NOT** use elevators. Use stairwells.

**DO NOT** run or react in any way that will cause alarm or panic.

**DO NOT** block stairwells, vestibules or doors. Move out of the way of emergency personnel going up the stairs.

DO NOT try to return to the building until an "All-Clear" is given by the building authority.

Note: Floor monitors will be wearing a blaze orange vest and/or hard hat so they are easy to identify. A list of Floor Monitors is included in the Emergency Plan and Procedures information.

# MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES Office of the Chancellor Floor Monitor List

- ETC Emergency Procedures Directors Bev Schuft (649-5760) Dick Johnson (632-5029)
- Office of the Chancellor Emergency Procedures Director Mary Fields (282-2548/located at WFP)

<b>Building Location</b>	Name	Telephone	Stairwell/Exit
Academic Resources	Gina Boeckerman	649-5742	West
Center for Teaching & Learning and OIT	Sherri Melvie	649-5740	West – CTL East - OIT
Academic Affairs/CTL/ OIT Alternate	Shelly Heller	632-5025	West – AA East - OIT
ITS – Computer Room	Tom Warren	649-5765	West
ITS – West Side	Bill Russ	917-4732	West
ITS – West Side and Computer Room - Alternate	Denise Brandt	917-4737	West
ITS - East Side	Dale Johnson	649-5790	East
ITS - " "	Patty Rafftery	917-4728	East
ITS East Side - Alternate	Pat Hammer	649-5752	East
Finance/Internal Audit	Dawn Walek	632-5035	East
66 66	Joe Bjelland	632-5040	East
Finance/IA - Alternate	Dave Massaglia	632-5042	East
Campus Assist./Auditor Cubes	Marie Petersen	917-4708	North
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Campus Assist/Auditor Cubes Alternate	Dave Massaglia	632-5042	North
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Common Areas	Alan Johnson	649-5774	All Exits
(restrooms, workrooms,	and		
conference rooms, etc.	Larry Anderson	649-5777	All Exits
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Fire/EMS/Safety Center	Cathy Rajtar	649-5455	East
Fire/EMS/Safety - Alternate	Bill Bruen	649-5410	East

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# APPENDIX G OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR STRATEGIC DIVERSITY PLAN

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# MnSCU SYSTEM OFFICE STRATEGIC DIVERSITY PLAN

Developed by the MnSCU Diversity Task Force July through November, 1999

# MnSCU SYSTEM OFFICE STRATEGIC DIVERSITY PLAN

The MnSCU Strategic Diversity Plan development project began in June 1999 with an off-site planning retreat for the Chancellor and the MnSCU System Office executive team. The retreat was facilitated by a strategic planning and diversity program development consultant from W. Wells & Associates Consulting.

In connection with the retreat, a Diversity Task Force for the MnSCU System Office was formed. The task force members were from each of the functional areas in the System Office and were appointed by their respective executive team leader. The task force conducted its business in the period from July through November 1999. The consultant identified above also facilitated this group through the development process for the initial draft of the Diversity Plan.

The members of the MnSCU System Office Diversity Task Force were:

#### Member

Linda Hanson Renée Hogoboom Margaret Johnson John Kaul Bruce King Nancy Livingston Mike Lopez Leslie Mercer Michael Murphy Gail Olson Larry Simmons Julie Smendzuik-O'Brien Aly Xiong

**Project Manager** Dolores Fridge

## **Functional Area**

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Equal Opportunity and Diversity

# THE MISSION, VISION, DIVERSITY DEFINITION AND VALUES

The Diversity Task Force began the strategic diversity plan development process by using the existing MnSCU mission statement in establishing the plan components. Listed below are the MnSCU mission statement and vision, diversity definition and values developed by the task force:

# **MISSION**

MnSCU provides accessible high quality, future-oriented education and community service through technical, pre-baccalaureate, baccalaureate, masters, occupational and continuing education programs.

# VISION

Diversity will be integral to all activities of the MnSCU System Office.

# **DIVERSITY DEFINITION**

Diversity means the wide range of differences of all people, including, but not limited to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, disability, age and marital status. Also, included is status with regard to public assistance, sexual orientation and familial status.

# • VALUES

Diversity is a way in which we achieve excellence by being...

- Welcoming
- Inclusive
- Respectful
- Innovative

# MnSCU SYSTEM OFFICE – VISION: DESIRED FUTURE STATE

During the early analysis phase of the planning process the task force examined the various reasons why it is difficult to become a multicultural organization. After completing that exercise, the task force established an understanding of the current situation and the desired future state of the MnSCU System Office as it pertained to diversity.

The list below represents the task force consensus regarding future positioning of the MnSCU System Office:

- Diversity becomes a way of doing business.
- Reward and recognition systems will be in place to support diversity.
- Evaluation processes will include diversity.
- Diversity accountability standards will be included in System Office performance management system.
- Executive team will be more diverse.
- Training and development will be provided to all employees for gaining greater awareness and understanding of diversity.
- Processes will be in place to increase diversity of the staff.
- MnSCU becomes a recognized national leader in the field of higher education.
- MnSCU becomes an educational system of choice for students, faculty and staff.
- MnSCU system office culture will be inclusive.

These considerations, along with the vision and values, are the basis for developing the goals and objectives of the MnSCU System Office Strategic Diversity Plan.

# MnSCU SYSTEM OFFICE DIVERSITY GOALS, OBJECTIVES and TACTICS

As an outgrowth of determining the diversity values and vision, the task force developed major goals with related objectives and tactics.

# • GOAL #1

# Increase diversity of the MnSCU System Office

#### **OBJECTIVE**

Increase the number of employees from protected class groups.

## <u>TACTICS</u>

- Develop System Office trainee, internship and fellowship programs for protected class groups.
- Work collaboratively with the Department of Employee Relations (DOER) to expand the availability of protected class individuals on state hiring/eligibility lists.

#### **OBJECTIVE**

Advertise System Office position openings as widely as possible.

#### <u>TACTICS</u>

- Publish announcements of all System Office unclassified positions in the appropriate local or national minority publications.
- Research free list serves and publish announcements of all open administrative and academic jobs.
- Broadcast public service announcements about available positions in the MnSCU System Office.

## <u>OBJECTIVE</u>

Research and recommend methods for hiring to increase the diversity of the staff.

# TACTICS

- Distribute the information gathered to all hiring managers and supervisors.
- Assign the task of researching flexible and innovative hiring options.

## **OBJECTIVE**

Review current administrative Human Resource policies, procedures and practices, on an ongoing basis, to insure that they advance efforts to recruit, promote and/or retain members of protected class groups.

# <u>TACTICS</u>

- Establish a practice of routinely conducting exit interviews.
- Establish reporting requirements to document advertising efforts.
- Compare Equal Opportunity and Diversity (EOD) division information from supplemental reports with advertising efforts and search results.

#### **OBJECTIVE**

Increase knowledge and awareness of MnSCU in all protected class communities.

#### <u>TACTICS</u>

- Provide information regarding MnSCU in ways that are effective in reaching these target markets.
- Target general recruiting efforts to protected class communities.
- Continue Chancellor's community-based breakfast meetings.
- Develop a marketing plan to reach minority and non-Englishspeaking communities with information about MnSCU.

# • GOAL #2

Incorporate diversity considerations in MnSCU System Office program and policy development

#### <u>OBJECTIVE</u>

Create a checklist of considerations to insure the development of programs, initiatives, policies and system office activities are responsive to societal needs and demographic changes.

## **TACTICS**

- Assign the development of the checklist.
- Distribute the checklist to MnSCU System Office employees.
- Provide training and guidance in the use of the checklist.

#### **OBJECTIVE**

Incorporate diversity checklist when existing programs are reviewed and evaluated.

#### **TACTICS**

- Establish a practice of using the diversity checklist in program review and performance evaluations.

# • GOAL #3

# Create and maintain an inclusive environment in MnSCU System Office

#### **OBJECTIVE** (ownership - DIT)

Provide opportunities for enrichment, education and growth on topics related to diversity and inclusiveness.

# **TACTICS**

- Create a program committee to plan and provide enrichment, educational and growth opportunities.
- EOD will provide electronic announcements regarding diversity events.
- Gather feedback and incorporate it into future planning and activities.

## <u>OBJECTIVE</u>

Include protected class group representation on all committees and/or task forces.

# <u>TACTICS</u>

- Chancellor communicates objective to System Office staff.
  - Encourage committees and task forces to incorporate protected class group participation whenever possible.

## **OBJECTIVE**

Create support systems, like mentoring programs, for System Office employees.

## **TACTICS**

- Create an employee support committee.

- Maintain the system office advisory group.

## **OBJECTIVE** (ownership - DIT)

Develop and implement training and education for all System Office staff on diversity, inclusiveness and equal opportunity.

# <u>TACTICS</u>

- Establish a training and development committee to identify issues and training needs.
- Explore grant opportunities for funding training and diversity related education opportunities.

# GOAL #4 (ownership - DIT)

Insure systems and processes for measurement and accountability of MnSCU System Office diversity goals are in place.

# **OBJECTIVES**

Determine ways to assess organizational climate relating to diversity including attitudes, knowledge and behaviors.

- Seek and implement assessment instruments appropriate for measuring organizational climate related to diversity.
- Interpret assessment results and recommend actions and monitor progress

Identify measurable elements to place in position descriptions and annual work plans at all employee levels.

- To build a diversity component into the selection and hiring process.
- Performance will be evaluated against the established measurable elements.

Develop methods to measure the effectiveness of efforts to recruit, hire and retain protected class employees.

- Include diversity-related questions in existing exit interview process.
- Tabulate, analyze and use information from Supplemental Protected Class Information form (EOD currently collects these forms).

# MnSCU SYSTEM OFFICE CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS

The factors below were developed by the task force and are essential for successful implementation of the MnSCU System Office Diversity Plan.

- Diversity Champion
  - Chancellor
    - Associate Vice Chancellor EOD
- Acceptance
  - Board
  - Executive Team
  - Management Team
- Commitment
  - Board
  - Executive Team
  - Management Team
- Support
  - Board
  - Executive Team
  - Management Team
- Implementation Team
  - Create an inclusive team with representation from all levels/units of the organization.
- Resources
  - Funding
  - Staffing
- Communication Plan
  - Develop a comprehensive communications strategy/plan.
- Continuity of Direction
  - Continued progress toward achievement of diversity goals must transcend changes in the MnSCU System Office.
  - Commitment to the MnSCU System Office Diversity Plan must be a key factor in the Chancellor search process.
  - Evaluation of Chancellor candidates must include a commitment to diversity.