

The Policy Committee provides the following information to assist the community in understanding the status of policies in development and to anticipate the publication of future batches of policy proposals. The charts below indicate policy proposals in progress, other initiatives under development, and policy proposals approved after July 27, 2006, the last date on which the Board approved policies for inclusion in the 2006 version of the *Common Manual*. The Policy Committee hopes this monthly update will assist you in planning for all stages of policy proposal development and distribution.

Policy Proposals in Progress

The following tables describe the current status of policy proposals that are about to be distributed for comment, have been distributed for comment, and those that are scheduled to be considered at an upcoming Governing Board meeting.

Batch Number	Policy Proposals Included	Date Distributed for Comment	Date Comments Due	Date to Submit to Governing Board	Proposed Governing Board Consideration
135	3	September 15	October 6	November 9	November 16
136	8	October 20	November 10	December 14	December 21
137	5	November 17	December 8	January 11	January 18
138	5	December 15	January 5	February 8	February 15

Initiatives under Development

General Topic	Estimated # of Policy Proposals	Projected Date of Distribution
Miscellaneous; interim & final rule proposals	20 - 30	February — March 2007
Batch 139 proposals	10 - 15	Wednesday, January 17, 2007*

***Please note that this date falls on a Wednesday rather than the typical distribution date of Friday.**

Policies Approved, Bulletins Issued

The following chart represents policy changes approved by the Governing Board after July 27, 2006, the cut-off for the last manual update to the ECM and paper-copy update of the manual. These changes will appear in the July 2007 printed and CD versions of the *Common Manual*. Common Bulletin language has been or will be distributed for all of the new policies, as listed below.

Batch Number	Policy Proposal Reference Number(s)	Approved by the Governing Board	Common Bulletin Distribution
Batch 134	903 - 907	October 19	October 31
Batch 135	908 & 910*	November 16	November 28
Batch 135	909	December 21	January 4, 2007
Batch 136	912* - 918	December 21	January 4, 2007

* Policy 909 from batch 135 was approved along with batch 136 during the December Governing Board call.

** Policy 911 from batch 136 was moved to considered and will not be advanced.