

## POLICY COMMITTEE TIME LINES October 13, 2008

The Policy Committee provides the following information to assist the community in understanding the status of policies in development for the 2009 production year. The charts below indicate policy proposals in progress and policy proposals approved after April 17, 2008, the last date on which the Board approved policies for inclusion in the 2008 version of the *Common Manual*. The Policy Committee hopes this monthly update will assist you in understanding the stages of policy proposal development.

### 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
152	3	August 15	September 5	October 9	October 16
153	8*	September 12	October 3	November 13	November 20
154	6	October 10	October 31	December 11	December 18
155	6-8	November 7	December 1	January 8, 2009	January 15, 2009

\*Policy proposals 991 and 997 were previously distributed in Batches 146 and 149. Policy proposal 1023 was previously distributed in Batch 149. Policy proposal 1055 was previously distributed in Batch 151.

### Policies Approved, Bulletins Issued

The following chart represents policy changes approved by the Governing Board after April 17, 2008, 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 2009 printed and CD versions of the *Common Manual*. They will also be incorporated into the Integrated *Common Manual* updates that are posted on the *Common Manual* website each month. 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
150	1041*	August 21	September 3
151	1050 - 1059	September 18	September 29

\* Policy proposal 1041 was originally distributed for community comment in February, 2008, deferred by the Committee for additional research, and redistributed in Batch 150. The remainder of Batch 150 was approved by the Governing Board in April, 2008, and is included in the July 2008 *Common Manual* update.