

POLICY COMMITTEE TIME LINES December 7, 2007

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 April 19, 2007, the last date on which the Board approved policies for inclusion in the 2007 version of the *Common Manual*. The Policy Committee hopes this monthly update will assist you in planning for your participation in all stages of policy proposal development and distribution.

Policy Proposals in Progress

The Committee has several batches in various stages of progress. As indicated in the charts below, one batch will soon be sent to the Governing Board for consideration at its December meeting; one on which the review period just ended; and one that will soon be released to the community for review. The Committee also has another batch in the works for distribution after the first of the year.

Batches Distributed to the Community

| Batch Number | Policy Proposals Included | Date Distributed for Comment | Date Comments Due | Date to Submit to Governing Board | Proposed Governing Board Consideration |
|--------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| 145 | 7 | October 12 | November 2 | December 13 | December 20 |
| 146 | 11 | November 9 | December 7 | January 10 | January 17 |

Initiatives under Development

| General Topic | Estimated # of Policy Proposals | Projected Date of Distribution |
|---|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Batch 147 – New final regulations & updates from the FSA Handbook | 8 – 10 | December 14 |
| Batch 148 – New final regulations, including CCRAA provisions | 15 | January 11 |

Policies Approved, Bulletins Issued

The following chart represents policy changes approved by the Governing Board after April 19, 2007, 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 2008 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 |
|--------------|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 142 | 963 – 965, *967 – 971 & 974 | September 20 | October 8 |
| 143 | 944, *976 - 978 | October 18 | October 29 |
| 144 | 979 – 983 | November 15 | November 26 |

^{*} Policy 966 was moved to considered. Policies 972 - 973 were deferred for additional research and consideration.

^{*} Policy 975 was deferred for additional research and consideration.