

POLICY COMMITTEE TIME LINES May 2, 2008

The Policy Committee provides the following information to assist the community in understanding the status of policies in development for the 2008 production year. The charts below indicate policy proposals in progress 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 understanding the stages of policy proposal development.

Policy Proposals in Progress

The Committee completed its policy development for the 2008 production year with the passage of Batches 149 and 150 by the Governing Board at its April 17, 2008 meeting. The first batch of the 2009 production year will be issued in mid- to late-July, with comments due within three weeks of distribution. Be watching for this first batch this summer!

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 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
145	984 - 990	December 20	January 2
146	*992 – 995; 999 - 1001	January 17	January 29
147	*998, *1002 - 1013	February 21	March 5
148	*1014 – 1022	March 20	April 4
149	996, *1024 – 1036	April 17	April 30
150	1019, *1037 - 1049	April 17	April 30

^{*} 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.

^{*} Policies 991, 997 were re-distributed in Batch 149, but again deferred for additional research and consideration. Policy 996 was deferred from Batch 146 for additional research and later approved in its distribution with Batch 149.

^{*} Policy 998 was re-distributed from Batch 146 and approved in Batch 147.

^{*} Policies 1002, 1003 and 1004 were deferred for additional research and consideration.

^{*} Policy 1019 was re-distributed from Batch 147 and approved in Batch 150.

^{*} Policy 1023 was deferred for additional research and consideration.

^{*} Policy 1041 was deferred for additional research and consideration.