SUBJECT: Adoption of University Procurement Rules

WHEREAS, District of Columbia law (D.C. Official Code §1202.01(a)) provides for the Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia to adopt, prescribe, amend, repeal, and enforce such bylaws, rules, and regulations as it may deem necessary for the governance and administration of the University; and

WHEREAS, through the University of the District of Columbia Procurement Authority Emergency Amendment Act of 2009, the Council of the District of Columbia has amended the Post-Secondary Education Reorganization Act to give the University procurement autonomy from the District Office of Contracting and Procurement; and

WHEREAS, the Council has required that it approve procurement rules for the University prior to the University assuming the newly-granted autonomy; and

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2009, the Council approved the University’s procurement rules via the University of the District of Columbia Procurement Rules Approval Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2009;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby formalizes the rules that have been approved by the Council by adopting the Notice of Emergency and Proposed Rulemaking attached and incorporated hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby declares the existence of an emergency for the reasons set forth by the Council of the District of Columbia in the University of the District of Columbia Procurement Rules Approval Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2009, passed by the Council on December 15, 2009; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the General Counsel is hereby directed to publish this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the District of Columbia Register as soon as is practicable for a comment period of not less than thirty (30) days, in accordance with the provisions of D.C. Official Code § 2-505(a).

Submitted by the Budget & Finance Committee

December 18, 2009

Approved by the Board of Trustees

December 18, 2009

Joseph L. Askew, Jr.
Chairperson of the Board