NEW BOG RULES – TALENT AND CULTURE

Talent and Culture 3.1 – Administration and Employment Practices

- Re-states general delegation of authority to President for University's human resources practices.
- Adds language required by W. Va. House Bill 2542 (2017) regarding continued engagement with Classified Staff Council regarding human resource practices, including:
 - Meeting with Classified Staff Council quarterly to review BOG Talent & Culture Rules.
 - Providing for external review of human resource practices at least once every 5 years, with opportunity to Classified Staff Council to speak with external auditors.
- Defines terms for all BOG Talent & Culture Rules.
- Incorporates or replaces current BOG Policies:
 - BOG Policy 13 Part-Time Classified Employees
 - BOG Policy 26 Employee Development
 - o BOG Policy 27 Work Scheduling

Talent and Culture 3.3 – Classification and Compensation

- Provides guiding principles for establishing a University classification and compensation program for Classified and Non-Classified Employees, including procedures for determining new Employees classification, initial job title, job description, and compensation.
- Outlines what compensation elements can be considered for individual Employees' pay.
- Eliminates point factor method for job change adjustments.
- Establishes new factors to evaluate when a job change adjustment is appropriate, which shifts focus on growing individual compensation towards performance and away from re-evaluation of individual job descriptions.
- Outlines additional compensation adjustments supervisors may use to increase an Employee's pay when applicable.
- Establishes periodic reviews of market data to assess competitiveness of compensation.
- Incorporates and replaces current BOG policies:
 - o BOG Policy 29 Salary Policy
 - o BOG Policy 53 Emergency Call-In

Talent and Culture 3.8 – Performance Management

- Provides guiding principles for performance management for Classified and Non-Classified Employees.
- Requires all supervisors of Classified and Non-Classified Employees to complete a written performance evaluation for each Employee.
- Requires all supervisors of Classified and Non-Employees to undergo training on performance management.
- Standardizes six- month performance reviews for new Classified and Non-Classified Employees.
- Allows Classified and Non-Classified Employees the opportunity to respond in writing to performance evaluation.
- Requires a performance improvement plan for all Classified and Non-Classified Employees who are rated below expectations.

Talent and Culture 3.9 – Reduction in Force (RIF)

- Outlines guiding principles for reduction in Classified workforce due to budget reductions, loss of funding, reorganization, material changes to the duties or responsibilities of a position, program change/elimination, or an emergency that curtails operations.
- Unit supervisor must prepare a RIF plan and seek approval from Vice President for Talent & Culture or a Review Committee, depending on the number of Classified Employees involved.
- Review Committee will consist of senior leaders from Provost's Office, Strategic Initiatives, and Talent and Culture with advice from General Counsel.
- Position eliminations determined based on the following factors: performance (would include discipline in prior 24 months), skills/qualifications, and seniority.
- Classified Employees will receive 60-day notice of elimination and may be offered a severance package based on years of service, not to exceed one year's base pay.
- Severance payment requires a waiver and release of claims, and Classified Employees will have 45 days to consider the agreement, with a 7 day revocation period.
- Certain positions are not applicable for severance, including but not limited to temporary positions and grant/contract funded positions (hired after 7/1/2017).
- Severance payments end if re-employed by WVU or a University Affiliate.
- Recall rights if individual impacted position is filled within 12 months of original decision to eliminate the position, and impacted employee left in good standing.

