

APPENDIX J

Board Delegation to the Committee on Budget and Finance for Allocation of Appropriations for the 2004-05 Fiscal Year

Most of the funding for current operations is appropriated directly to the constituent institutions by the General Assembly through the continuation budgets. Funds for expansions and improvements for both current operations and capital improvements are appropriated to the Board of Governors for subsequent allocation. By statute, the Board is directed to allocate such funds in accordance with its Schedule of Priorities and in accordance with any specifications in the appropriations act.

The Board of Governors is not scheduled to meet again before September 2004. With the date for passage of the 2004-05 State Budget uncertain, but anticipated before the September meeting of the Board, it is requested that authority to allocate any funds appropriated for expansions and improvements for the 2004-05 fiscal year, including budget reductions enacted by the General Assembly, be delegated to the Committee on Budget and Finance. It is further requested that the Committee be delegated the authority to allocate any funds made available for capital improvements and repairs and renovations. A full report will be provided to the Board.

It is recommended that the Board delegate to the Committee on Budget and Finance the authority to allocate appropriations for expansions and improvements for the 2004-05 fiscal year and report on those allocations to the Board of Governors.