UNIVERSITY OF GUAM UNIBETSEDÅT GUAHAN BOARD OF REGENTS

RESOLUTION NO. 17-06

RELATIVE TO THE PROHIBITION OF USE AND POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL IN STUDENT DORMITORIES

WHEREAS, the University of Guam (UOG) is the primary U.S. Land Grant institution accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC) serving the post-secondary needs of the people of Guam and the region; and

WHEREAS, the governance and well-being of UOG is vested in the Board of Regents (BOR); and

WHEREAS, UOG is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for work and study to the community, which includes students, faculty and staff; and

WHEREAS, there has been an increasing number of student misconduct and discipline referrals as a result of violations involving alcohol use in the dormitories; and

WHEREAS, the Dean of Enrollment Management and Student Success has put in place a temporary ban prohibiting the use and possession of alcohol in student dormitories; and

WHEREAS, the administration and the Student Affairs, Scholarship, Alumni Relations and Honorary Degree Committee recommend to the BOR that the prohibition on the use and possession of alcohol in student dormitories be adopted as policy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the use and possession of alcohol in the student dormitories is prohibited; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Article VI, Paragraph B, Subparagraph 2, of the Rules, Regulations and Procedures Manual (RRPM), is amended as follows:

Alcohol is not permitted in public places and illegal drugs are not permitted on campus. Illegal drugs are not permitted on campus. Alcohol is, likewise, not permitted on campus, to include the student dormitories, unless an exception has been granted in writing by the UOG President.

Adopted this 16th day of March, 2017.

Antoinette Sanford, Chairperson

ATTESTED:

Dr. Robert A. Underwood, Executive Secretary

UNIVERSITY OF GUAM POLICIES AND REGULATIONS CHANGE REQUEST FORM

- 1. Subject: Establishing a UOG policy making alcohol possession and use in the dormitories illegal
- 2. Purpose: To obtain approval to make alcohol possession and use in the dormitories illegal
- 3. See enclosed Proposed BOR Resolution and justification summary
- 4. Requested Effective Date: Immediately upon approval by the BOR.
- 5. Publication Document (Reference section and/or page number):

<u>Year</u> 2000

Rules, Regulations and Procedures Manual (Change Article VI, Paragraph B, Subparagraph 2)

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Summary Justification for Establishing a Policy Eliminating Alcohol Possession and Use in the Dormitories

Background Information:

- RRPM (2001) currently makes alcohol use in public places on campus illegal; it is silent as to alcohol use in private locations on campus
- Based upon the RRPM being silent on alcohol use in private locations on campus, a prior rule was established in the Residence Life Rules and Regulations allowing alcohol use by those of legal age in private dormitory rooms. This rule has already been suspended.
- There have been increasing violations of alcohol use in the dormitories, resulting in increases in misconduct and discipline for alcohol offenses. Many students have proven incapable of responsible use of alcohol.
- As such, it is proposed to make the possession and use of alcohol in the dormitories illegal by amending the RRPM, Section VI, Paragraph B, Section 2, as follows:

Campus Security Office

Campus safety and security are coordinated by the Campus Security Office, which has fully trained security officers on duty at all times. These officers undergo continuing training to upgrade their skills. They are trained in first aid and cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR). Campus security officers conduct foot and vehicular patrols of the campus and residence hall areas. On campus, security officers enforce all regulations and laws both of the University and the Territory of Guam. The Campus Security Office also works very closely with the Guam Police Department to assist them with incidents that may occur on campus. Campus security officers enforce all laws regulating the consumption of alcohol, the use of controlled substances and weapons. Alcohol is not permitted in public places and illegal drugs are not permitted on campus. Illegal drugs are not permitted on campus. Alcohol is, likewise, not permitted on campus, to include the campus dormitories, except where exceptions may be granted by the University President. Firearms and dangerous weapons of any type are not permitted on campus or in the residence halls. Intentional use, possession or sale of firearms or other dangerous weapons is strictly forbidden. Members of the University community should also be aware of the University policies concerning substance abuse and on maintaining a drug-free workplace, both of which may be found in the University Policy Manual.

There are numerous other locations in the RRPM where alcohol use is mentioned; however, these tend to describe what may happen as a result of alcohol violations, what alcohol awareness training is recommended/required, and requirements for alcohol use, as an exception, during field house events. As such, it is not necessary to amend these other locations where alcohol use is mentioned as they do not deal with alcohol use in private locations or allowing alcohol use in the dormitories..

Recommendation:

- That the BOR amend the RRPM as recommended to make alcohol possession and use in the dormitories illegal

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