Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees  
September 17, 2013

SUBJECT: Regulation FGCU-PR9.003 Animal Control

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION
Approve amendment to Regulation FGCU-PR9.003 Animal Control

BACKGROUND INFORMATION
This addition to the Regulation clarifies and adds assistance animals to the list of animals permitted on the campus of Florida Gulf Coast University.

Supporting Documentation Included: Notice and Text for Regulation FGCU-PR9.003 Animal Control

Prepared by: Vice President for Administrative Services and Finance Steve Magiera

Legal Review by: Vice President and General Counsel Vee Leonard (August 16, 2013)

Submitted by: Vice President for Administrative Services and Finance Steve Magiera
FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY

NOTICE OF REGULATORY ACTION

AUGUST 16, 2013

REGULATION TITLE:
Animal Control

REGULATION NO:
FGCU-PR9.003

SUMMARY:
This Regulation is being amended to allow assistance animals, in addition to service animals, as an exception to the prohibition of pets on campus.

FULL TEXT:
The full text of the regulation being proposed is attached and can also be found at http://www.fgcu.edu/generalcounsel/promulgation.asp

AUTHORITY:
Board of Governors Regulation 1.001

UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL INITIATING THE PROPOSED REVISED REGULATION:
Chief Steven Moore, University Police

UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL APPROVING THE PROPOSED REGULATION:
Steve Magiera, Vice President for Administrative Services and Finance

PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED NEW REGULATION:
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ANY COMMENTS REGARDING THE PROPOSED NEW REGULATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 3, 2013 BY 5:00 P.M. THE COMMENTS MUST IDENTIFY THE REGULATION ON WHICH YOU ARE COMMENTING.

THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED ON THE FGCU WEBSITE ON: AUGUST 16, 2013
A. GENERAL

Florida Gulf Coast University is located in an area which is inhabited by many species of wildlife. The University endeavors to protect all wildlife, but in particular the wildlife species that are designated as endangered or protected by federal and state law and regulations. Warning notices of protected species shall be posted at various locations throughout campus.

B. ANIMAL CONTROL

1. Except for approved educational or research activities, no person shall disturb, harm or molest any wildlife which is found on campus.

2. Except for an approved University program or activity, certified guide assistance or service animals, and pets owned by employees living on campus, the bringing or keeping of pets on campus is prohibited.

3. A policy will be implemented to govern activity and behavior of those persons permitted to bring and/or keep residential employee-owned pets on campus.

C. ANIMAL RELOCATION AND REMOVAL

1. The relocation or removal of wildlife from the University shall be accomplished by officers of the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission or persons who are licensed or authorized by the University to handle the relocation or removal of wildlife from campus.

2. The removal of stray or abandoned domestic animals shall be accomplished by the Lee County Humane Society’s Animal Control Unit or any other entity with authority over stray or abandoned domestic animals.

D. VIOLATION OF REGULATION

A student found to be in violation of this regulation shall be subject to discipline under the Student Code of Conduct and may be subject to arrest and prosecution. An employee found to be in violation of this regulation shall be subject to discipline under Regulation FGCU–PR5.016 or the Collective Bargaining Agreement, as applicable, and may be subject to arrest and prosecution. Any other person found to be in violation of this regulation may be subject to arrest and prosecution.
Specific Authority:
  FS Board of Governors' Regulation 1.001
Law Implemented:
  Board of Governors Regulation 1.001
Action by Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees:
  Approved: 04/15/13
History of Regulation:
  New 08/02/98, Amended 09/21/10, 01/15/13
Effective Date of Regulation:
  01/15/13