

**FOURTH AMENDED AND RESTATED
BYLAWS
OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC.**
f/k/a The Research Foundation of The University of Central Florida, Inc.
(A Not-For-Profit Corporation)

**ARTICLE I
Board of Directors**

Section 1. Membership, Term of Office, and Chair. The Board of Directors shall consist of not less than six (6) and not more than nine (9) voting members. The first and second members shall be the University of Central Florida (UCF or University) President and UCF Provost, or their respective designees. The third member shall be the UCF Vice President for Research. The fourth member shall be appointed by the UCF Vice President for Medical Affairs. The fifth member shall be appointed by the University President. The sixth member shall be appointed by the Chair of the University Board of Trustees. The seventh member shall be the UCF Chief Financial Officer. Additional members of the Board shall only be appointed by the University President and approved by the University Board of Trustees.

The University President and UCF Provost, and their respective designees, shall serve as Directors for such time as the President and Provost, individually, continue to serve as the President and Provost of the University. The Director appointed by the Chair of the University Board of Trustees shall serve for such time as the Chair of the University Board of Trustees continues to serve as the Chair. The UCF Vice President for Research shall serve as a Director for such time as he or she continues to serve as the Vice President for Research of the University. The Director appointed by the UCF Vice President for Medical Affairs shall serve for such time as the Vice President for Medical Affairs continues to serve as a Vice President of the University. The remaining Directors shall serve a three-year term and shall be eligible for re-appointment by majority vote of the University President, University Provost, and UCF Vice President for Research, or their designees where applicable, and approval by the University Board of Trustees.

The respective appointments or designations to the Board shall serve at the pleasure of the University President, University Provost, Chair of the University Board of Trustees, or UCF Vice President for Medical Affairs and until a successor is appointed. The University President, University Provost, Chair of the University Board of Trustees, and UCF Vice President for Medical Affairs shall have full discretionary power to replace their individual appointments or designations to the Board. Notice of any such replacement shall be provided to the University President and the President of the Corporation.

The UCF Vice President for Research shall serve as President of the Corporation and Chair of the Board.

Section 2. Powers and Duties of the Board of Directors. The property, affairs, activities, and concerns of the Corporation shall be vested in the Board. All management functions shall be exercised by the Board, subject to delegation by the Board to the Officers and the Executive Committee. The University President shall:

- a) Have authority and responsibility to monitor and control the use of University resources and the University name in accordance with applicable Florida laws and University rules and policies, as amended from time-to-time.
- b) Have authority to monitor and control the use of the Corporation's resources.
- c) Retain control of the Corporation's name and monitor compliance of the Corporation with state and federal laws and rules of the University Board of Trustees.
- d) Possess line-item authority over the budget of the Corporation. This authority includes the

establishment of additional line items and reduction or elimination of existing budgetary items.

- e) Approve salary supplements and other compensation or benefits paid to the University faculty and staff from Corporation's assets.

Section 3. Meetings. A regular annual meeting of the Board shall be held between August 1 and September 30 at a date and time set by the Board. Other regular meetings may be held at dates and times set by the Board. Notice of the meetings, signed by the Secretary, and shall be given by personal delivery, U.S. Mail or electronic mail to the last recorded address of each Director at least ten (10) days before the time appointed for the meeting. Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President or Secretary of this Corporation, two (2) or more Directors, or the University President. Notice of any special meeting of the Board shall be given at least ten (10) days prior thereto by personal delivery, U.S. Mail, or electronic mail to each Director at his or her address as shown by the records of the Corporation and to the Chair of the University Board of Trustees. Any Director may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a Director at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Business to be transacted at the meeting need not be specified in the notice or waiver, unless specifically required by law or by these Bylaws. Proxies, general or special, shall not be accepted for any purpose in the meetings of the Board. The use of telephone or video conferencing for meeting attendance, quorum and voting is permissible so long as the meeting is held in accordance with the Florida Government-in-the-Sunshine Law.

Section 4. Quorum. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board. If a quorum is not present, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time-to-time without further notice.

Section 5. Manner of Acting. The act of a majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board, unless the act of a greater number is required by law or by these Bylaws.

Section 6. Vacancies. Whenever any vacancy occurs on the Board, by death, resignation, or otherwise, it shall be filled without undue delay. In the case of the University President, Provost, and Vice President for Research, the person who is acting as the University President, Provost, or Vice President for Research will fill the vacancy.

Section 7. Order of Business. The order of business shall be as follows at all meetings of the Board and Executive Committee:

- a) Calling of the roll
- b) Reading of the minutes
- c) Election of officers and directors, if necessary
- d) Reports of officers
- e) Report of committees
- f) Unfinished business
- g) New business

Any question as to the priority of business shall be decided by the Chair without debate. This order of business may be altered or suspended at any meeting by a majority vote of the Directors present.

ARTICLE II Officers

Section 1. Number. The Officers of this Corporation shall be a President, a Vice President of Operations, a Vice President of Technology Transfer, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. Additional Officers may be appointed by the Board.

Section 2. Method of Election and Removal. The Board shall elect all officers at its regular annual meeting, or other regular or special meeting, and such Officers shall serve for a term of two (2) years. A majority of a quorum present shall be necessary to constitute an election. The election of the President of the Corporation shall be upon the recommendation and prior approval of the University President. The Board may remove any Officer at any special meeting by a vote of majority of a quorum present, provided that notice of the pending removal is set forth in the notice of the special meeting, or provided that all Directors waive notice of such special meeting.

Section 3. Duties of Officers. The duties and powers of the Officers of the Corporation shall be as follows:

- a) President. The President shall be a member ex officio, with the right to vote, of all committees. At the regular annual meeting of the Board and at such other times as he or she deems proper, he or she shall communicate to the Board such matters and make such suggestions as may, in his or her opinion, tend to promote the prosperity and usefulness of the Corporation. The President shall act as the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation and shall do and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board. The President is authorized to execute all certificates, contracts, deeds, notes and other documents or legal instruments authorized or issued by the Board in the name of the Corporation, with the Secretary attesting. The President of the Corporation shall also report to the University President, or his or her designee, who shall be a vice president or other senior officer reporting directly to the President. As required for the efficient operation of the Corporation, the President may authorize others to serve as signatories for specific categories of agreements, e.g., research contracts and research grants.
- b) Vice President of Operations. The Vice President of Operations shall be authorized to act on matters delegated to him or her by the President of the Corporation and shall take such actions as necessary to allow for the efficient operation of the Corporation.
- c) Vice President of Technology Transfer. The Vice President of Technology Transfer shall be authorized to act on matters delegated to him or her by the President of the Corporation and shall take such actions as necessary to allow for the efficient operation of technology transfer activities of the Corporation.
- d) Secretary. The Secretary shall keep full and accurate minutes of all the meetings of the Board and Executive Committee in a book provided for that purpose and shall transmit all notices required by these Bylaws. The Secretary shall perform all duties incident to the management of the office of Secretary of the Board. The Secretary may sign documents with the President in the name of this Corporation. The Secretary shall have charge of all official records of the Corporation, which shall be at all reasonable times open to the inspection of any Director. The Secretary shall exercise such authority to collect revenues and make routine expenditures, which authority shall be delegated by the Board, the Executive Committee, or the President of the Corporation. The Vice President of Operations may serve as Secretary upon Board approval.
- e) Treasurer. The Treasurer shall receive and keep the funds of the Corporation and pay out the same only in accordance with the guidelines established by the Board. The Treasurer shall

perform all duties incident to the management of the office of Treasurer of the Board. The Treasurer shall deposit all monies, checks, and other credits to the account of the Corporation in such bank or banks or other depositories as the Board may designate. The Treasurer shall have full oversight over the financial transactions of the corporation, and shall participate as a member of the Finance Committee. He or she shall render to the Board an account and statement of all transactions at the annual meeting of the Board and at such other times as the Board may determine. The Treasurer shall regularly maintain a full and accurate account of all monies received and paid out on accounts administered by the Corporation. The Treasurer shall at all reasonable times exhibit his or her books and accounts to the Finance Committee and/or any Director.

Section 4. Bond. The Officers of the Corporation shall, if required by the Board, give to the Corporation such security for the faithful discharge of their duties as the Board may direct.

Section 5. Checks. All vouchers for checks or drafts over Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) on the funds of the Corporation shall be approved in writing by one (1) Officer and (1) one Director. All vouchers for checks or drafts equal to or under Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) shall be approved in writing by the Treasurer or his or her designee.

Section 6. Audit. At the close of each fiscal year, the Finance Committee, President, or Vice President of Operations of the Corporation shall arrange for the auditing of the books, records, and accounts of the Corporation. The annual audit shall be performed in accordance with Generally Accepted Auditing Standards and Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. A management letter of response will be included, if appropriate.

Neither the auditors selected nor any member or employee of any auditing firm selected shall be a Director or any officer of the Corporation, unless this requirement is specifically waived by action of the Board.

A copy of the report of the auditor shall be made available to each member of the Corporation's Board of Directors as soon as practicable and such report shall be presented at the next meeting of the Board of Directors held after the report is completed.

The annual financial audit and any management letter shall be forwarded to the University Board of Trustees.

Section 7. Vacancies. All vacancies in any Officer position shall be filled by the Board without undue delay at its regular annual meeting or at any other regular or special meeting, or in any office, it may be filled by appointment made by the University President in conformity with these Bylaws. The newly appointed member or officer shall act during the remainder of the unexpired term of his or her predecessor.

Section 8. Compensation. The Officers shall receive no special salary or compensation for being Officers of the Corporation, other than their usual salaries as employees of the University. The benefits of all employees of the Corporation shall be set by the President of the Corporation with the approval of the Executive Committee or the Board. The President of the University shall determine the compensation of Corporation employees from Corporation assets and such authority may not be delegated. The Directors and Officers of this Corporation, except those otherwise employed by the Corporation, shall not receive any compensation from this Corporation for their services as director or officer; provided, however, that they may be reimbursed from funds of the Corporation for any travel expenses or other expenditures incurred by them in the proper performance of their duties.

ARTICLE III Committees

Section 1. Executive Committee. The Board may elect at its regular annual meeting, or other regular or special meeting, an Executive Committee consisting of four (4) Directors, one (1) of which shall be the University President, or his or her designee, and one (1) which shall be the appointee of the Chair of the University Board of Trustees. The Executive Committee shall have such powers as may be delegated to it by the Board. A majority of the Executive Committee shall be sufficient to exercise all of its powers. Proxies, general or special, shall not be accepted in the meetings of the Executive Committee. Between meetings of the Board, the Executive Committee shall have the authority of the full Board, provided that the Executive Committee shall not have the authority to do the following unless specifically empowered by the Board to do so:

- a) Take any action inconsistent with a prior act of the Board;
- b) Alter Articles of Corporation or these Bylaws;
- c) Fill vacancies; or
- d) Authorize the purchase, sale or lease of land or buildings or grant a mortgage on real estate to secure a debt.

In the absence of an elected Executive Committee, the entire Board shall constitute such Executive Committee.

Section 2. Finance Committee. The Finance Committee shall be a committee consisting of a minimum of two (2) Directors and one (1) Officer, and shall assist the Board of Directors in fulfilling its responsibility with respect to the Corporation's finances, investments, annual budget, audit, and long term financial planning.

The first Director shall be the UCF Chief Financial Officer, the second Director shall be appointed by the UCF Vice President for Research, and the Officer shall be the Treasurer of the Corporation, who shall serve as the Secretary of the Finance Committee.

Section 3. Standing Committees. The Board, on its own motion or upon the recommendation of the President of the Corporation, may appoint such committees comprising Directors and Officers as it may deem necessary and advisable to assist in the conduct of the Corporation's affairs.

Section 4. Special Committees. The Board may, at any time, appoint other committees comprising Directors and Officers on any subject for which there are no standing committees. The President of the University shall have the authority to establish an unlimited number of Special Committees to accomplish any objectives affecting various interests and the welfare of the Corporation and the University of Central Florida.

Section 5. Committee Quorum. A majority of any committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, unless any committee shall by majority of its entire membership decide otherwise.

Section 6. Committee Vacancies. The various committees shall have the power to fill vacancies in their membership with the exception of the executive Committee. Vacancies on the Executive Committee shall be filled by the Board.

ARTICLE IV Seal

The Corporation shall have the power to adopt, use, and alter a common corporate seal, in accordance with

the Articles of the Corporation and Florida Statute 617.0302.

ARTICLE V Amendments

These Bylaws may be amended by majority vote of the entire Board at any duly organized meeting, subject to the approval of the University of Central Florida Board of Trustees, and in accordance with the Article of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VI Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall commence on July 1 of each year and end on June 30.

ARTICLE VII Employment

Section 1. Any person employed by the Corporation shall not be considered to be an employee of the State of Florida or the University solely by virtue of such employment with the Corporation.

Section 2. The Corporation shall provide equal employment opportunities for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin.

ARTICLE VIII Indemnification

Section 1. Indemnification. Pursuant to Sections 607.0850 and 617.028, Florida Statutes, any person who was or is a party, or is threatened to be made a party, to any threatened, pending, or completed action, suit, or proceeding whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative (other than an action by, or in the right of, the Corporation, by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a Director or Officer of the Corporation) shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorney's fees), judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with such action, suit, or proceeding, including any appeal thereof, but only if he or she acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interest of the Corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful. The Corporation shall have the authority to purchase insurance for this purpose.

Section 2. Authorization of Indemnification. Any indemnification hereunder shall be made by the Corporation only upon a determination that indemnification of the Director or Officer is proper in a specific case because he or she has met the standard of conduct set forth in Section 1 of this Article VIII. Such determination shall be made by the Board by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of Directors who were not parties to such action, suit or proceeding or, if such quorum is not obtainable, by a majority vote of a committee duly designated by the Board (in which Directors who are parties may participate) consisting solely of two (2) or more Directors not at the time parties to the action, suit or proceeding or by a committee comprised of individuals who were not parties to such action, suit or proceeding where such committee is selected by a majority vote of the full Board (in which Directors who are parties may participate).

ARTICLE IX
Ethics and Financial Disclosure

Section 1. Ethical Duties Generally. It is the duty of each Director and Officer to fully comply with the Government-in-the-Sunshine Law set forth in Section 286, et seq., Florida Statutes, the Public Records Law set forth in Section 119, et seq., Florida Statutes, and to the extent it applies, the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees set forth in Chapter 112, Part III, Florida Statutes.

Section 2. Procedure for Filing and Handling Complaint. Any allegation of violation of any provision of this Article IX shall be referred to the President of the Corporation or such other person as the University President shall designate. The President of the Corporation, or such other person as may be designated by the University President, shall be responsible for undertaking an initial investigation of the factual and legal basis for the complaint. The President of the Corporation, or such other person designated by the University President, shall make a recommendation to the Chair as to whether sufficient probable cause exists to bring the complaint before the Board for its consideration, and if deemed appropriate as to an appropriate penalty.

Section 3. Conflict of Interest. All actual or potential conflicts of interest involving Directors of the Corporation shall be disclosed and addressed in accordance with the Corporation's Conflict of Interest Policy.

Section 4. Penalties. Any Director, Officer, or employee who knowingly violates any provision of this Article IX may be punished by: (a) written reprimand, and/or (b) in the case of a Director or Officer, recommendation that the Board terminate the Director's or Officer's affiliation with the Corporation. Any employee who knowingly violates any provision of this Article IX may be subject to discipline, up to and including termination of employment.

ARTICLE X
Miscellaneous Provisions

Section 1. Contracts for the routine activities of this Corporation shall be signed in the name of the Corporation or in the Corporation's fictitious name, University of Central Florida Applied Research Institute by the President or such other(s) Officers or Agents as the President may authorize in accordance with Article II(3)(a).

Section 2. Public access to the Corporation's records shall be governed by Section 1004.28, Florida Statutes.

The undersigned, as Secretary of the Corporation, hereby certifies that the foregoing Fourth Amended and Restated Bylaws of University of Central Florida Research Foundation, Inc. were approved by no less than a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire Board at the meeting held on August 22, 2018.

Kim Smith

5-17-2019

Signature

Date

Kim Smith, Secretary

Legal Approval: *AS* 5-17-19