D - 11. POLICY ON ERECTING STATUES, MONUMENTS, OR OTHER TYPES OF RECOGNITION ON CAMPUS

POLICY STATEMENT
Statues or monuments will be erected only for persons and entities that have made outstanding or meritorious contributions to Auburn University, or have attained the highest level of distinction in their fields of endeavor. Other types of recognitions, including but not limited to plaques or historical markers, will be erected only in recognition of significant events of lasting importance to Auburn University.

POLICY PROCEDURES

- Requests or recommendations for erecting statues, monuments, or other types of recognition on campus must be advanced to the University President through the affected unit’s administrative head, Dean, Director, Vice President or Provost. When the request is to place a plaque or similar recognition at the site of a building, structure or other location that had been named for a person or other entity by prior action of the Board of Trustees, the President is authorized to approve that recognition without further action of the Board.

- When the erecting of statues, monuments, or other types of recognition on campus is a part of a private fundraising effort or campaign, all aspects of the project will be considered in the fundraising effort including, but not limited to commissioning and building the statue, monument, or other recognition, preparing the erection site, and erecting the piece. The Vice-President for Development is responsible for submitting such requests to the University President for approval.

- Except for the actions authorized by the President above, all other requests shall require that the President forward supporting documentation for erecting statues, monuments, or other types of recognitions on campus to the President Pro Tem of the Board of Trustees. Upon the concurrence of the President Pro Tem, the proposal will be placed on the Agenda for consideration by the Board of Trustees. Issues, if any, concerning the general reputation and character of candidates shall be discussed in Executive Session. Only through a positive vote of three-fourths of the members present of the Board of Trustees, by written ballot in Open Session, shall a statue, monument, or other type of recognition be erected on campus.

- Approval must be given by the Board of Trustees before any promise or offer concerning the erecting of statues, monuments, or other types of recognition on campus may be made.

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