

CHAPTER VI

GIFTS AND GRANTS

Section 6-1. Conditions of Acceptance. The Board stands ready to receive in the name of the University System:

- a. Memorials, such as buildings, laboratories, or other facilities, to be placed on the campus either for beautification or for practical service and memorials in land which extend the boundaries of the campuses or other facilities.
- b. Gifts for instruction or research.
- c. Gifts for scholarships, fellowships, or student loan funds.
- d. Other gifts for special purposes (e.g., library) which will enrich the life of the University System and its students.

However, the Board shall be the final authority in the determination as to whether the freedom and functions of the University System and its responsibilities to the public are curtailed by the terms of any gifts.

Instruction and research are so inseparable and essential to the highest efficiency of a university that the University System looks with favor upon acceptable proposals for research and related contracts with State and Federal agencies and with private individuals and corporations.

Section 6-2. Commercial Testing. When the gift or grant proposed by a private individual or corporation for research or other educational function has a direct bearing upon the business of the donor, or is a routine job deemed to be without educational or research value, then it becomes essential that the proposal be considered in the light of the public interest, the relationship to the efficiency of, and the probable cost to the University System.

In determining whether to undertake for an individual or private concern commercial testing or special research having a direct bearing upon the business of the individual or corporation, the System will give special consideration to the following:

- a. Whether the problem has industry-wide implications;
- b. Whether the problem will contribute to the professional development of its faculty and students;
- c. Whether the problem will interfere in any material way with the obligations and responsibilities of the System;
- d. Whether the donor is willing to grant full publication rights after termination of each research phase of the problem.

Section 6-3. Payment for Indirect Costs. When the University System undertakes such cooperative research, the extent of indirect cost to be assessed for use of facilities shall depend upon the extent that the System determines its instructional and research programs are enriched or its responsibilities to the people are fulfilled by acceptance of the gift.

The System makes a distinction between grants which are made by established federal agencies and foundations, in support of research which has been proposed by one or more faculty members, and for which money is received essentially as a grant-in-aid, on the one hand, and payments for contract research on the other, in which the direction taken by research is determined by the desires of outside persons or agencies.

Section 6-4. Protection of Public Interest. In general, all results of experimental work, including patentable discoveries, carried on by or under the direction of the faculty of the System belong to the System and to the public and shall be used and controlled to produce the greatest benefit to the public. If patentable discoveries grow out of the investigation and such discoveries have commercial value, the grantor shall receive preferential consideration as a prospective licensee with a view to compensating in part the grantor for the assistance rendered in the investigations.

Grants may be received on the condition that rights to patentable discoveries will be in the name of grantor but only when the acceptance of the gift has advantages to the University System and to the people of the State of Louisiana which outweigh the rights thus relinquished.

Section 6-5. Use of Name of the University System. In no event shall gifts and grants be received with the understanding that the name of the University System or any of its components may be used in any advertisement without the express written permission of the System.

Section 6-6. Use of System Facilities for Private Gain. It shall be understood that no member of the faculty or staff may use System facilities in conducting research for private gain.

