POLICY SUMMARY FORM

Policy Name: Academic Unit Head Appointments

Policy Number: 4.2

Is this policy new, being reviewed/revised, or deleted? Delete

Date of last revision, if applicable: 1/30/2018

Unit(s) Responsible for Policy Implementation: Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Purpose of Policy (what does it do): Provides information related to academic unit head appointments

Reason for the addition, revision, or deletion (check all that apply):

- [ ] Scheduled Review
- [ ] Change in law
- [x] Response to audit finding
- [ ] Internal Review
- [ ] Other, please explain:

Please complete the appropriate section:

Specific rationale for new policy:

Specific rationale for each substantive revision:

Specific rationale for deletion of policy: Content added to Policy 4.4

Additional Comments:

Reviewers:

Academic Policy Committee
Steve Bullard, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Damon Derrick, General Counsel
Academic Unit Head Appointments

Policy to be Deleted October 28, 2019

Original Implementation: May 23, 1979
Last Revision: January 30, 2018

Academic unit heads may be hired under either an eleven-month or twelve-month contract.

Academic unit heads under an eleven-month contract are expected to be on duty each work day within the contract period when classes are in session. It is the responsibility of academic unit heads to ensure that ongoing academic unit obligations are met during their absence. Vacation time is not accrued under an eleven-month appointment. Sick leave is earned according to the schedule for Texas state employees. Academic unit heads under an eleven-month contract are also subject to being called upon to address a task or issue outside the normal work day when it is determined by the dean to be in the best interest of the university. Academic unit heads who are appointed for eleven months should have no university duties during the equivalent of one calendar month (twenty-one work days throughout the year). The twenty-one days will be logged in the academic unit office and approved by the respective dean prior to taking leave from duties.

Academic unit heads under a twelve-month contract are expected to be on duty each work day. Vacation and sick leave are earned according to the schedule for Texas state employees. Academic unit heads are subject to being called upon to address a task or issue outside the normal work day when it is determined by the dean to be in the best interest of the university.

Cross Reference: Administration of Academic Units (4.4); Faculty Workload (7.13); Sick Leave (12.18)

Responsible for Implementation: Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Contact for Revision: Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Forms: None

Board Committee Assignment: Academic and Student Affairs