

SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE INVESTING CALL FOR ISSUES PROCESS

The Socially Responsible Investment Call for Issues Process requires a campus-wide call, initiated by the University Treasurer twice a year, for issues involving endowment specific investments affected by oral, social and ethical considerations. The Socially Responsible Investing Work Group (SRIWG) was established as a standing work group of the Budget, Finance & Investment Committee (BFI) in September 2008. The Work Group membership consists of Trustees appointed by the Chair; two faculty members appointed by the Faculty Senate President; two students appointed by the President of the Student Government Association; two graduate students appointed by the Graduate Student Senate President; two staff members appointed by the Staff Council President; one administrative officer appointed by the President; and the Treasurer ex-officio, who shall be a non-voting member of the Committee. All Work Group members serve two-year terms, which are renewable.

If you wish to call forth an issue(s) of social concern regarding the University's investments or proxy voting actions, you may propose the issue(s) to BFI Committee by contacting Richard Cate, Vice President for Finance & Administration and University Treasurer through the University Controller Claire Burlingham at 656-8356, or via e-mail at claire.burlingham@uvm.edu. Please submit your proposal(s) no later than Wednesday, February 10, 2010.

Individuals or groups raising an issue are asked to provide information and research supporting its relevance to UVM's mission and values.

Upon review of requests by the Vice President for Finance & Administration and University Treasurer, petitioners will be notified if their proposal has been approved for consideration by the Socially Responsible Investing Work Group. If approved, the Trustee Coordinator will coordinate with petitioners to schedule a meeting with the Socially Responsible Investing Work Group (see attached timeline) and provide further instructions and guidelines for the petitioner's presentation at this meeting.

Following the SRIWG meeting, the Leader of the Work Group will notify the petitioner whether their proposal requires further deliberations or if the proposal has been approved for consideration by the Investment Subcommittee (ISC).

If approved, the proposal will be added to the next ISC agenda. Following consideration by the ISC, the Leader of the work group will notify the petitioner whether the proposal was approved for consideration by the Budget, Finance and Investment Committee and the Board of Trustees.

If a proposal is approved and recommended for action by the Board of Trustees, the petitioners will be advised of that meeting date and notified by the Leader of the work group of the results of the Board's deliberations.

SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE INVESTING TIMELINE
Spring 2010

Timeline	Task
January 21, 2010	Call for issue memo distributed to University Community
February 10, 2010	Deadline for submission of proposal(s)
March/April 2010	Convene SRIWG as necessary
April 2010	Opportunity for ISC to consider SRIWG recommendation, if any
May 20-22, 2010	BFI and BoT consider SRIWG recommendation, if any