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8.1 Equity Identification and Control

Equity of the University is the residual interest in the assets of the University after the deduction of University liabilities.

The Group Manager, Finance and Facilities shall be responsible for ensuring that the University establishes and maintains appropriate systems to ensure that:

(a) equity is identified and recorded in the financial systems;

(b) equity is maintained in accordance with:

(i) the requirements of any Act or law, and

(ii) any approved strategic plans or economic (financial) objectives;

(c) equity is identified to distinguish between restricted funds and accumulated funds:

(i) restricted funds: funds which are obtained by the University and can not be used for any other purpose other than those specified by the contributor, and

(ii) accumulated funds: which represent the cumulative net financial result of the University from the current and previous years.

8.2 Responsibilities

The Group Manager, Finance and Facilities shall be responsible for establishing procedures that are designed so that:

(a) the University can clearly identify the persons or entities from whom amounts have been received that in terms of the requirements of, any Act, Statement of Accounting Concepts or Statement of Accounting Standard, qualify for recording as equity in the University accounts;

(b) there is separate recording of amounts appropriated from profits/surpluses or from reserves and that supporting information is available;

(c) grants (where qualifying to be recorded as equity) are recorded in the financial system as equity. These grants are to be supported by records detailing relevant particulars, including whether associated assets are for the unrestricted use or whether restrictions on use apply;

(d) asset revaluation and other authorised reserves are properly established and maintained in terms of Statement of Accounting Concepts and Statement of Accounting Standards;

(e) appropriations for distribution to equity interests are approved by a competent authority and properly recorded in the accounts;

(f) internal controls shall be established to safeguard the integrity of the financial information with respect to equity accounts, including:

    (i) the restriction of assess to equity accounts to authorised accounting officers, and

    (b) the introduction of a reconciliation process for equity accounts.

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