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Business Affairs

A division of Finance and Administration consisting of 11 areas that provide essential financial and support services to departments within TTUHSC.

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Warning: Dates in Calendar Are Closer Than They Appear!

Features:

The new Business Affairs Calendar provides important dates, reminders, and deadlines for all departments within Business Affairs. The calendar is up to date with all the deadlines and processes you need for completing the annual fiscal close process for FY 2017. Users may subscribe to receive weekly updates about calendar events by entering an email address next to "Get weekly updates to this calendar" and

clicking the green "Subscribe" button. Each week, a listing of the upcoming week's events will be emailed.

Basic Navigation:

Use the arrows next to the month and year to go back and forth between months. Use the arrows next to the dates to go back and forth between weeks. Click on an event to read more information about it.

A link for the <u>Business Affairs Calendar</u> is available from the WebRaider portal on the F & A Work Tools tab under the Finance portlet and Finance Home.

The year end deadlines and processes began in May. Your assistance with the fiscal year end closing process is critical. A consolidated view of



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the fiscal year end closing deadlines and processes for FY 2017 is available by clicking here.

For questions, contact Finance Systems Management at fsm@ttuhsc.edu.





Fund Class - Why Should I Care?

This newsletter installment is the first in a series intended to provide information related to TTUHSC's fund classes. First, let's review the higher level need for TTUHSC Fund Classes.

Key Reporting Element

Fund Class is a **key reporting element** for TTUHSC. Departments encounter this reporting element almost immediately when creating a

Reporting Elements

There are several **reporting elements**

built into TTUHSC's fund structure. These reporting elements are designed to ensure that financial amounts reported by TTUHSC are accurate and fall within certain reporting guidelines. Why is this important? Funding

decisions by external funding sources (e.g., State and Federal government) are often made based on the financial condition of TTUHSC as reported in various financial reports. The bottom line is that inaccurate reporting can impact the funding that TTUHSC receives.

Did You Know?

Any driver that operates a university owned, leased, borrowed or rented vehicle must **Do This Before You Drive:**

- Possess a valid Texas driver license or license from another state or District of Columbia.
- Be approved by the TTUS Office of Risk Management (ORM). The TTUS <u>Driver Approval Request</u> form must be completed, signed, routed as instructed and approved **BEFORE** you drive.

The requirements include all vehicles rented from any commercial vehicle rental agency. TTUHSC Travel Office recommends travelers ensure they are on the TTUS-ORM approved drivers list prior to submitting a travel application which involves the use of a rental car. Reimbursement for rental car expenses may be denied to travelers not on the TTUS-ORM approved drivers list.

Financial Managers are responsible for ensuring all departmental travelers operating rental vehicles are on the TTUS-ORM approved drivers list prior to travel for TTUHSC.

Need to Know!

New Fund Request Chart Code: H - Texas Tech Univ Health Sciences Ctr Fund Class: 10 - Educational and General 10Z - Coordinating Board 11 - HEAF Unallocated

new fund. It is the first piece of information required from a user when setting up a new fund in the Fund Maintenance System after the Chart has been selected.

In the next newsletter installment, the impact of funding source on Fund Class will be explained.

For questions, contact Accounting Services at <u>hscacc@ttuhsc.edu</u>.

Do This Before You Drive!



For more information, refer to <u>HSC OP 63.03</u> and <u>Attachment A</u>.

For questions, contact the Travel Office at <u>travel@ttuhsc.edu</u> or the TTUS Office of Risk Management at 806.742.0212.

Are You a Property Custodian?

Property Custodian Responsibilities

Department property custodians have the responsibility to manage, control and account for all assets within their department. <u>HSC OP 63.10</u> lists 13 responsibilities for property custodians at TTUHSC.

The property custodian is responsible for updating the building/room location of assets in the Property Inventory System. Items that do not have a building/room location will remain on the Items Not Yet Tagged report. If equipment is located in a building/room that is not included in the Property Inventory System, send an email to PropertyManagement@ttuhsc.edu to have the location added.

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Department Updates

Welcome to Business Affairs Accounting Services:

Marsha Edwards - Assistant Analyst

Fund Maintenance System

Effective May 3, 2017, Accounting Services introduced the **Fund Maintenance System**, an updated and improved system for requesting a new fund number. The updated system offers a new look and feel and there are new features that make the experience more user friendly and modern:

Improved navigation of form

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- Enhanced search function with the addition of auto-complete
- Simplified tracking of approvals
 - Contained in one place you no longer have to go to the Approval Tracking System

Click <u>here</u> to go to the Fund Maintenance System. Click <u>here</u> for training documentation. Links are also available on the WebRaider portal on the F & A Work Tools tab, Finance portlet, under Accounting Services.

For questions, contact Accounting Services at <u>hscacc@ttuhsc.edu</u>.

Coming Soon! New TechBuy Home/Shop Page

The new TechBuy Home/Shop page will be launched at the end of June. A preview of the new page will be presented at the June Purchasing Quarterly Meeting.

Purchasing Quarterly Meeting

The next Purchasing Quarterly Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday**, **June 27**, **2017**. The quarterly meetings are where you will learn about Purchasing/Payment processes, guidelines, receive updates and get answers to your questions. View the schedule <u>here</u> and plan to attend.

Guidelines for Trade-Ins and Used Equipment

When issuing a Trade-in or purchasing Used Equipment, please review and follow these Guidelines.

TTUHSC Amazon Business Account

If you are a TTUHSC PCard holder who purchases from Amazon, and would like to sign up to participate in the **TTUHSC Amazon Business** centralized account, please email <u>pcard@ttuhsc.edu</u> to receive an invitation to join. The institution's Amazon Business account is provided at no cost and receives special pricing on various items, as well as tax-exemption and free shipping on purchases over \$49.

Amazon Business is not a contracted vendor, therefore all Purchasing and PCard policies must be followed including requests for deviations on items that should be purchased through TechBuy contracted vendors. The use of Amazon Business is for TTUHSC business purposes only. A personal credit/debit card should not be associated to your Amazon Business account.

For questions, contact <u>pcard@ttuhsc.edu</u> or Purchasing at <u>purchasing@ttuhsc.edu</u>.

We welcome your feedback! Please email your comments and suggestions to: fsm@ttuhsc.edu

