

Linda McGurn Named Chair of UF Foundation Board

Fisher School of Accounting alumna Linda McGurn was named chair of the University of Florida Foundation, Inc. board of directors at the organization's spring meeting held March 8, 2008. She will serve a two-year term in that position.



The University of Florida Foundation, Inc. is a non-profit organization that administers a \$1.5 billion endowment for the University of Florida. Created in 1934 as the University of Florida Endowment Corporation, the Foundation expanded in the early 1950s to become the primary fund-raising and fund management arm of the University. In 1964, Florida certified the Foundation under its current name.

Ms. McGurn is an attorney and CPA, and has served as vice chair of the UF Foundation board for the previous two years, and chaired the UF Foundation Audit Committee from 2001 to 2006. She has been a member of the UF Foundation board since 1999.

Ms. McGurn earned a bachelor's degree in accounting, with high honors, from UF in 1973 and a law degree, with high honors, from UF in 1978. She and her husband, Ken McGurn, have been instrumental in the redevelopment of downtown Gainesville. They have received numerous awards for their projects, including a Sustainable Florida Initiative Award and national certificate of merit. Their projects include Union Street Station, Sun Center and the Opera House, which was placed on the National Register of Historic Places. They are also involved in a redevelopment project in Port Orange. Ms. McGurn serves on the board of Florida Capital Bank. She is a member of the Leadership Florida Class XVII. She has also served on the steering committee for the Fisher School of Accounting.