# Multidisciplinary Academic Grants in Cryptocurrencies Investment Policy Updated 2021-11-29

#### Purpose

This policy establishes investment objectives and policies relating to all assets held by Multidisciplinary Academic Grants in Cryptocurrencies (MAGIC), including all Restricted and Non-restricted Funds.

## For All MAGIC Assets Including Restricted Funds

All MAGIC assets, including restricted assets held by various MAGIC Funds, must abide by the following requirements and guidelines, unless exempted by the Board of Directors:

- No high frequency trading or manual frequent rebalancing of assets.
- Investments should be held for a minimum of one month to minimize administrative overhead.
- Keep the accounting overhead in mind. Do not invest assets in ways that would cause complicated accounting processes.
- MAGIC's Board of Directors, or an Investment Committee selected by the Board, will act on the investment decisions when they have the capacity to.

## Management of Unrestricted (Non-Fund) MAGIC Assets

MAGIC holds various assets that are not restricted as a part of a specific Fund. These assets are used for various operations, such as the following:

- Annual undergraduate scholarships
- Website maintenance
- Accounting and filing costs
- Educational materials and events
- Anything else MAGIC may fund from time to time

MAGIC shall aspire to keep at least one (1) year of expected expenses in a low-risk and high-liquidity asset, such as USD held in a checking or savings account. MAGIC shall engage in a relatively conservative investment portfolio with the remaining funds.

The primary goal of investing the main MAGIC funds is to enable some growth while retaining the main goal of reliable operations for the foreseeable future.

#### Management of MAGIC Fund Assets (those subject to an Advisory Committee)

MAGIC Funds are to be invested in ways requested by the relevant MAGIC Fund advisory committee, subject to approval by the Board of Directors. Each MAGIC Fund may operate under its own MAGIC Fund Investment Policy that must remain fully compatible with this Investment Policy. Such MAGIC Fund Investment Policies may be relatively permissive or restrictive depending on the needs of the Fund.

MAGIC's Board of Directors shall invest assets as desired by the relevant MAGIC Fund committee in a timely fashion assuming that the investment follows this MAGIC Investment Policy.

MAGIC's Board of Directors may place additional restrictions on permissible investments and investment strategies by MAGIC Funds from time to time in its full discretion without prior notice to MAGIC Fund committee members.

## **Delegation of Responsibilities**

The Board of Directors has a direct oversight role regarding all decisions that impact MAGIC's institutional funds. The Board may delegate supervisory responsibility for the management of our institutional funds to the Oversight Committee. Specific responsibilities of the various bodies and individuals responsible for the management of our institutional funds are set forth below:

## **Responsibilities of the Board**

The Board shall ensure that its fiduciary responsibilities concerning the proper management of MAGIC's institutional funds are fulfilled through appropriate investment structure, internal and external management, and portfolio performance consistent with all policies and procedures. Based on the advice and recommendations of the Oversight Committee, the Board shall:

- select, appoint and remove members of the Committee.
- approve investment policies and objectives that reflect the long-term investment-risk orientation of the endowment.

# Responsibilities of the Board of Directors (or Oversight Committee, as applicable)

Members of the Board of Directors (or Oversight Committee, as applicable) are not held accountable for less than desirable outcomes, rather for adherence to procedural prudence, or the process by which decisions are made in respect to endowment assets. In consideration of the foregoing, the Committee is responsible for the development, recommendation, implementation and maintenance of all policies relative to MAGIC's institutional funds and shall:

- develop and/or propose policy recommendations to the Board with regard to the management of all institutional funds.
- recommend long-term and short-term investment policies and objectives for our institutional funds, including the study and selection of asset classes, determining asset allocation ranges, and setting performance objectives.
- determine that institutional funds are prudently and effectively managed with the assistance of management and any necessary investment consultants and/or other outside professionals, if any.
- monitor and evaluate the performance of all those responsible for the management of institutional funds.

- recommend the retention and/or dismissal of investment consultants and/or other outside professionals.
- receive and review reports from management, investment consultants and/or other outside professionals, if any.
- periodically meet with management, investment consultants and/or other outside professionals management, investment consultants and/or other outside professionals.
- convene regularly to evaluate whether this policy, investment activities, risk management controls and processes continue to be consistent with meeting the goals and objectives set for the management of institutional funds.

#### **Responsibilities of Management**

Management shall be responsible for the day-to-day administration and implementation of policies established by the Board and/or the Oversight Committee concerning the management of institutional funds. Management shall also be the primary liaison between any investment consultants and/or other outside professionals that may be retained to assist in the management of such funds. Specifically, management shall:

- oversee the day-to-day operational investment activities of all institutional funds subject to policies established by the Board and/or the Oversight Committee.
- contract with any necessary outside service providers, such as: investment consultants, investment managers, banks, and/or trust companies and/or any other necessary outside professionals.
- ensure that the service providers adhere to the terms and conditions of their contracts; have no material conflicts of interests with the interests of MAGIC; and, performance monitoring systems are sufficient to provide the Oversight Committee with timely, accurate and useful information.
- regularly meet with any outside service providers to evaluate and assess compliance with investment guidelines, performance, outlook and investment strategies; monitor asset allocation and rebalance assets, as directed by the Oversight Committee and in accordance with approved asset allocation policies, among asset classes and investment styles; and, tend to all other matters deemed to be consistent with due diligence with respect to prudent management of institutional funds.
- comply with official accounting and auditing guidelines regarding due diligence and ongoing monitoring of investments, especially alternative investments. Prepare and issue periodic status reports to the Board and the Oversight Committee.

#### **Investment Considerations**

MAGIC's Board of Directors and MAGIC Fund Committee members should be mindful to prioritize investments in assets/projects that align with the mission of the organization (and the MAGIC Fund, as applicable). These include (but are not limited to):

- 1. general economic conditions;
- 2. possible effect of inflation or deflation;
- 3. expected tax consequences, if any, of investment decisions or strategies;
- 4. the role that each investment or course of action plays within the overall investment portfolio of the fund;
- 5. expected total return from the income and appreciation of investments;
- 6. other resources of the organization;
- 7. the needs of the organization and the fund to make distributions and preserve capital; and,
- 8. an asset's special relationship or special value, if any, to the organization's purposes.

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## **Adoption of Investment Policy**

The Board of Directors has received a copy of, read and understood, and agreed to comply with the terms and conditions of the Investment Acceptance Policy.

Approved and accepted on November 29, 2021.

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Secretary/Treasurer, Matt Shroyer