

Policy 2-002: Board of Trustees

Section 1. Membership and Authority

The membership of the University Board of Trustees consists of ten persons, eight of whom are appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate. The president of the University Alumni Association serves as the ninth member of the board. The president of the Associated Students of the University of Utah serves as the tenth member of the board. The Board of Trustees assists the present of the University, discharges the functions and responsibilities described in this chapter, and acts in behalf of the University to facilitate communication and good relations between the University and the community. Utah Code Ann. 53-48-15, 53- 48,19. Bylaws, Art. III, 4.

Section 2. Functions and Responsibilities

The duties and responsibilities of the Board of Trustees are:

- A. To advise the State Board of Regents on the appointment of the president.
- B. To approve the following actions of the president:
 1. appointment of officers, deans, professors, faculty and staff, and their duties and salaries;
 2. organization of the faculty and regulations governing the faculty;
 3. enactment of rules and regulations for the administration and operation of the university.
- C. To perform such duties, responsibilities and functions as may be specifically delegated and authorized by the State Board of Regents or provided by duly approved rules and regulations of the university.
- D. To act on behalf of the university in facilitating communication between the university and the community, in assisting in planning, implementing and executing fund raising and development projects aimed at supplementing the university appropriations, in perpetuating and strengthening alumni and community identification with the university's traditions and goals, and in selecting those persons to be the recipients of honorary degrees to be granted by the university.
- E. To approve all candidates for earned degrees and diplomas authorized by law and the

board, conferred by the university.

- F. To assist the president in the safeguarding of all university property and in providing for the education, safety and welfare of all persons at the university.
- G. To enact such bylaws for its own government as it deems necessary.
- H. To review and approve the capital facilities master plan of the university and take other actions relating to construction and remodeling of physical facilities, as authorized by the "Capital Facilities Policies and Procedures" adopted by the Board of Regents on July 22, 1975, amended February 16, 1982.
- I. To approve contracts recommended by the president for maintenance, research grants and continuing programs not over \$500,000. See Policies on Overhead Reimbursement Income, adopted by State Board of Higher Education (Regents), November 28, 1972.
- J. To render advice and consent to the university in establishing, developing, and administering the Research Park. Utah Code Ann. 53-31-57 to 63.
- K. To exercise such powers and authorities, not specifically denied by the State Board of Regents or by law, as may be necessary and proper to assure the effective and efficient administration and operation of the university.

Section 3. Meetings

Regular meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held every second Monday of each month. Special meetings may be called by the chair, vice-chair in the absence of the chair, the president of the university, or a majority of the members.

Section 4. Quorum

A quorum for conducting the business of the Board of Trustees shall consist of six members, provided, however, that all matters requiring board determination shall be presented to and considered by the entire board. Utah Code Ann. 53-48-19(7).

Section 5. Committees

The Board of Trustees shall have the authority to establish such committees as it deems necessary to properly fulfill its responsibilities; provided, that such committees shall be advisory only. Utah Code Ann. 53-48-19(7).

[Note: The parts of this Regulation listed below are Regulations Resource Information – the contents of which are not approved by the Academic Senate or Board of Trustees, and are to be updated from time to time as determined appropriate by the cognizant Policy Officer and the Institutional Policy Committee, as per Policy 1-001 and Rule 1-001.]

Contacts:

The designated contact officials for this Policy are:

Policy Owner (primary contact person for questions and advice): Liaison to the Board of Trustees

Policy Officer: Secretary to the University

These officials are designated by the University President or delegee, with assistance of the Institutional Policy Committee, to have the following roles and authority, as provided in University Rule 1-001:

"A 'Policy Officer' will be assigned by the President for each University Policy, and will typically be someone at the executive level of the University (i.e., the President and his/her Cabinet Officers). The assigned Policy Officer is authorized to allow exceptions to the Policy in appropriate cases.... "

"The Policy Officer will identify an 'Owner' for each Policy. The Policy Owner is an expert on the Policy topic who may respond to questions about, and provide interpretation of the Policy; and will typically be someone reporting to an executive level position (as defined above), but may be any other person to whom the President or a Vice President has delegated such authority for a specified area of University operations. The Owner has primary responsibility for maintaining the relevant portions of the Regulations Library... .[and] bears the responsibility for determining -requirements of particular Policies... ." University Rule 1-001-III-B & E