PART III

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY

The President is the chief executive officer of the University and has full authority and responsibility over the administration of the academic, business, and fiscal administrative and financial operations of the University. It is the duty of the President to make recommendations relating to the general policies of the institution and to the maintenance of coordination among its several functions. It is also the President's duty, directly or through the various University officers, to supervise and administer all phases of the University's operations, both business and academic, including all departments, divisions, and colleges, and to perform all other administrative functions, whether expressly enumerated herein or not, necessary or appropriate for the effective operation of the University.

The President is responsible for the preparation of the biennial budget request and the annual budget for approval by the Board of Trustees and for the administration of the annual budget after approval by the Board of Trustees. In the administration of the annual budget, the President shall exercise authority delegated by the Board of Trustees for the transfer of funds within major fund groups, provided that all such transfers of funds shall be reported to the Board of Trustees.

The President may delegate any of the President's assigned authorities or responsibilities to another person in the Office of the President, or to any other faculty member of the administrative staff or faculty or staff employee of the University. The President shall, however, have the prior consent of the Board of Trustees before delegating major areas of authority or responsibility.

The Provost, vice presidents, deans, directors, and all other subordinate administrative officers shall be subject to the supervision and direction of the President.

Subject to the regulations of the Board of Trustees, the President officially speaks for the University before all international, federal, state, and local government offices, boards, and agencies and is the non-voting representative of the University on the Council on Postsecondary Education.

The President is chairperson of the University Senate and an ex officio member of the Staff Senate and of the various college faculties, and The President may call meetings of the University Senate, the Staff Senate, the University Assembly, and or any college faculty. The President may be asked to address a meeting of the University Senate, the Staff Senate, or a college faculty.

The President is responsible for fostering and promoting instruction, research, and service as the primary functions of the University. In this connection the President may make policy.
recommendations to the Board of Trustees and the University Senate, which are recognized as
the primary educational policy-forming agencies of the University. The President must, of
necessity, in the day-by-day direction of University affairs, interpret existing policies and,
when necessary, establish new policy with respect to both educational and business academic,
administrative and financial matters. Such policy determination shall be within the scope of the
President's authority.

While responsible for the enforcement of the rules and regulations—Governing Regulations
of the Board of Trustees and the University Senate University Senate Rules, the President also shall
provide for the application of these rules and regulations to individual cases. Under
extraordinary circumstances, and with written justification to the University
Senate through the
University Senate Council, the President may suspend a rule of the University Senate in a
particular case; however, under no circumstance may the President suspend rules concerning
admission and the number of credits and quality points required for graduation.

The President shall serve as the official medium of communication between the Board of
Trustees, on the one hand, and the University Senate, administrative officers, individual
members of the faculty and staff employees, student organizations, and students on the other
hand. In this connection it shall be the President's responsibility to transmit to the Board of
Trustees all formal communications from the University Senate, the Staff Senate and the Student
Government Association along with the viewpoints of the body submitting a communication,
including any minority opinions, and the President's own recommendations for action.

Incident to the administration of the University, the President may utilize subordinate
administrative officers as appropriate. The President may appoint, or have appointed, temporary
or standing advisory or administrative committees and, with the approval of the Board of
Trustees, may establish academic and/or administrative councils.

The Board of Trustees delegates to the President the responsibility for the development and
enforcement of regulations for the control of motor vehicle traffic and parking on University
property. University property is defined as all real property owned or occupied and exclusively
operated by the University.

In the event of a vacancy in the Office of President or disability of the President, the Provost
shall exercise the functions of the President in the absence of the appointment of an interim
President by the Board of Trustees. If the Board of Trustees finds it desirable to appoint an
interim President, it shall seek advice from a joint Board Faculty committee composed of
representatives of Board of Trustees members, faculty members, staff employees, and students.