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TO: Academic and Student Affairs Committee Members
FROM: Michele M. Sams
RE: “Charge” to Committees

Excerpt from Regents’ By-Laws

2. Standing Committees. . . .

The first meeting of the standing committees after their appointment each year shall be an organizational meeting. At the organizational meeting, the committee will review the responsibilities assigned to it in this article and recommend any changes which it may feel are desirable to the President of the Board for consideration at the next regular meeting of the Board. In addition, the committee shall identify any specific objectives it wishes to accomplish in the ensuing year, together with an appropriate schedule. In defining its objectives and considering revisions to the By-laws, the committee may wish to invite the recommendations of the administration and the ex officio representatives to the Board.

A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee. The Academic and Student Affairs Committee shall consider matters pertaining to the teaching, research, and public service programs of the University and to its faculty, staff, and students. Matters to be brought before the Committee may include, but are not limited to, the following examples:

(1) Faculty and Staff Affairs. The Committee shall consider and make recommendations to the Board on matters relating to the faculty and the professional and classified staff, including their status, responsibilities, discipline, remuneration, benefits, health, and welfare.

(2) Educational Policy. The Committee shall consider and make recommendations to the Board on matters relating to educational policy, including admissions requirements, instruction, curriculum, degrees, research, educational technology, distance learning, public services activities, and the establishment and disestablishment of educational and research organizational units.

(3) Student Welfare. The Committee shall consider and make recommendations to the Board on matters relating to the general welfare of students, including housing and food services, health services and health insurance, safety, extracurricular activities, sports programs, and policies governing student discipline and student organizations.

(4) Collective Bargaining. The Committee shall consider and make recommendations to the Board on matters relating to collective bargaining for those employees authorized by State law to bargain collectively, including general policy and collective bargaining agreements.

Any of the above enumerated examples of matters to be brought before the Academic and Student Affairs Committee may be directed to any other standing or special committee or the Committee of the Whole of the Board for consideration.