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Chapter 1. The Board of Regents

RP-1.1 Governance of the Board

RP-1.1.1 Direct Responsibilities of the Board

Under the constitution and statutes of the State of Nebraska, the Board of Regents has the authority and the responsibility for the general government of the University of Nebraska. It must exercise general supervision over all elements of the University and control and direction of all expenditures and establish the general operating policies of the institution. To assist it in the discharge of its responsibilities, the Board of Regents employs a staff and faculty who have the professional competence to develop and operate the University's programs. The Board delegates, through its Bylaws and Policies, large areas of authority and responsibility to the professional staff for the ongoing operations of the University. The Board of Regents assumes direct responsibility for:

1. Establishing short- and long-range objectives for the University System and its component campuses, and adopting and maintaining policies and programs to achieve these objectives;
2. Establishing appropriate delegation and controls to insure successful administration of its policies;
3. Approving and promulgating appropriate rules for the operation of the institution;
4. Providing the necessary physical plant for meeting foreseeable future needs, through the adoption and implementation of sound plans for the orderly development and maintenance of the System's facilities;
5. Maintaining the fiscal soundness of the University System;
6. Submitting budgets for operations and capital construction to the appropriate authority;
7. Apportioning legislative appropriations within the limits of the Board's authority;
8. Approving the appointment or removal of the President, the Vice Presidents and other key administrative officers and faculty, and fixing their compensation; and
9. Maintaining oversight of the progress which the institution makes toward its objectives, the effectiveness of policy control through its administrative officers, quality of the educational and service programs offered by the institution, and the utilization of the available resources.

See Also, Bylaws BRUN (1973+), s.1.2.

RP-1.1.2 Code of Ethics of the Board

No member of the Legislature or any state officer shall have a conflict of interest, as defined by the Legislature, directly in any contract, with the State or any county or municipality thereof, authorized by any law enacted during the term for which he or she shall have been elected or appointed, or within one year after the expiration of such term. The Legislature shall prescribe standards and definitions for determining the existence of such conflicts of interest in contracts, and it shall prescribe sanctions for enforcing this section.

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 85-106 authorizes the Board of Regents to enact policies for the government of the University. Accordingly, the Board of Regents hereby adopts the following code of ethics: