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exceed five years and shall carry no presumption of renewal. Any Faculty Practice or Faculty Research Appointment may be renewed for succeeding terms not to exceed five years each. Except for termination of a Faculty Research Appointment on shorter notice due to lack of funding as provided below in subparagraph (g), each such appointment will terminate at the end of its stated term if written notice of non-reappointment is given to the appointee by the appropriate administrative officer in accordance with the following standards:

(a) If the stated term of the appointment on a Faculty Practice Appointment or a Faculty Research Appointment expires at the end of one year of service or sooner, notice shall be given by an appropriate administrative officer not less than three (3) months in advance of the termination date.

(b) If the stated term of the appointment expires after one year of continuous service, but not later than two years of continuous service on a Faculty Practice Appointment or a Faculty Research Appointment, notice shall be given by an appropriate administrative officer not less than six (6) months in advance of the termination date.

(c) If the stated term of the appointment expires after two years of continuous service on a Faculty Practice Appointment or a Faculty Research Appointment, notice shall be given by an appropriate administrative officer not less than twelve (12) months in advance of the termination date.

(d) As used in this section, the term "continuous service" shall include consecutive service from one academic year to the next succeeding academic year.

(e) If written notice is not given to the appointee by the appropriate administrative officer in the manner herein provided and within the time specified in subsection (a), (b), or (c) of this section, as appropriate, the appointment shall be extended for a period of twelve (12) months. Any appointment extended as provided in this section shall be considered to be an appointment for one year of service, and subject to reappointment in accordance with the provisions specified above.

(f) All notices required by this section shall be deemed to have been properly given if mailed to the appointee’s home address, as reflected by the records of the University, by certified mail, with sufficient postage attached.

(g) Notwithstanding the contrary provisions of subparagraphs (a), (b), (c), and (e) of this Section, in the event a Faculty Research Appointment is funded in whole or in part by funds from a specific source external to the University, such as a research grant, and such funds are reduced or discontinued, then the Faculty Research Appointment may be terminated by the University by giving the appointee at least 90 days written notice of the date of termination.

History: Added, 66 BRUN 59 (3 November 2006)

4.5 **Standards for Promotion, Continuous Appointment, and Salary Adjustment.** Each major administrative unit of the University shall prepare written standards that shall be used in making all decisions on promotions, awarding Continuous Appointments, and merit salary adjustments. The standards may be applicable to the entire major administrative unit or to appropriate subdivisions (such as colleges, schools, and departments) of a major administrative unit. The Chancellor of each major administrative unit is empowered to approve the content of the written standards and the scope of their applicability; provided, however, such written
standards shall not include any right of appeal to the Board of Regents, and to the extent that any such existing standards do include any provision for appeal to the Board of Regents, each such provision is hereby repealed. After such approval, the written standards shall be published and disseminated to the faculties and staff and a copy shall be provided each appointee when appointed. Each written statement shall include standards relevant to the following areas of endeavor: teaching, extension work, research, scholarship, creative activities, and service. Integrity, academic responsibility, and professional development should be included as they relate to these major areas.

**History:** Amended, 60 BRUN 184 (14 December 1996)

### 4.6 Evaluation of Faculty Performance: Procedure

Each major administrative unit, or appropriate subdivision thereof as stated in Section 4.5 of these Bylaws, shall establish procedures for gathering relevant information from all sources, including student evaluations and peer judgments, as part of an annual review of faculty performance in relation to the standards established under Section 4.5. Individual faculty members shall have the opportunity to submit materials deemed relevant to their remuneration and status as a part of the annual review, or as such information becomes available. When appropriate, the judgment of others in each faculty member's specialized field of competence may be included in a review. Faculty members shall have access to all material submitted for their evaluation and the opportunity to respond in writing.

The annual review shall be considered in determining merit salary adjustments, promotions, and for awarding Continuous Appointment. The results of the review will be communicated to the individual faculty member.

### 4.7 Termination of an Appointment by a Professional Staff Member: Time

1. A member of the professional staff (Section 3.1.1) employed on an academic-year basis may terminate his or her appointment at the end of an academic year, if he or she gives notice at the earliest opportunity and not later than the latest of the following:

   - (a) May 15, or
   - (b) Thirty days after receiving notification of the terms and conditions of appointment for the coming academic year.

2. A member of the professional staff employed on other than an academic-year basis shall give notice at the earliest opportunity and in no case later than the latest of the following:

   - (a) Four months before the termination date of the appointment, or
   - (b) Thirty days after receiving notification of the terms and conditions of appointment for another term.

A member of the professional staff may properly request a waiver of the time requirements contained in this Section in case of hardship, or where he or she would otherwise be denied substantial professional advancement or other opportunity, but the member should abide by the decision on his or her request.

### 4.7.1 Termination of a "Special Appointment" Prior to Expiration of the Stated Term: Reasons; Rights of the Appointee

A "Special Appointment" may be terminated prior to the expiration of the stated term, or with less than 90 days’ notice by the University if no term is stated, only for adequate cause, retirement for age or disability, bona fide discontinuance of a program or department, or extraordinary circumstances because of financial exigency. The President or Chancellor, as appropriate, shall be empowered to approve appeal and grievance procedures that will insure to staff with respect to termination of their non-faculty special appointments the rights similar to those