

The Chair may authorize special Committees with whatever membership is desired by the Chair.

Committees of the Board shall meet on the Tuesday preceding the second Wednesday of each month for which a meeting of the Board has been called, unless determined otherwise by the Chair of the respective Committee. The time and place of each Committee meeting, whether regular or special, shall be determined by the Chair of the Committee and communicated by the Secretary to the Board. Business transacted at all special meetings shall be confined to objects stated in the call.

A Committee of the Board shall not consider any request for reexamination of matters that have been previously acted upon by the Board within a period of one year unless, upon presentation of new evidence, the Chair of the Committee determines that it should be reconsidered.

7. Communications With the Board of Regents

The Chancellor shall be responsible for presenting official matters to the Board. Official communications to Board members shall be forwarded to the Chancellor. If the matter requires Board action, the Chancellor shall ensure either the Board or one of its Committees receives the item. If the matter does not require Board action, the Chancellor normally shall inform the appropriate Regent(s) of its disposition.

Except as permitted in these Bylaws or The Policy Manual of the Board, a member of the Board of Regents shall not recommend any person for employment in any position in the University System.

Although no individual Board member has the authority to commit the Board to a particular action, a member of the Board may propose any action at any time, subject to the procedural rules listed in Article III.5 of these Bylaws.

No provision of these Bylaws or The Policy Manual of the Board of Regents should be interpreted as limiting in any way the right of any member of the Board of Regents from soliciting or receiving any information that the member believes is required in order to fulfill his or her constitutional obligations as a member of the Board.

8. Standing Committees

There shall be the following standing Committees:

1. Executive and Compensation Committee
2. Strategic Planning Committee
3. Committee on Real Estate and Facilities
4. Committee on Academic Affairs
5. Committee on Finance and Business Operations
6. Committee on Organization and Law
7. Committee on Internal Audit, Risk, and Compliance

Unless otherwise determined by the Chair, each standing Committee shall consist of not less than five nor more than ten members. A majority of the members of a Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Each standing Committee and each special Committee shall keep minutes of its meetings and shall report the same at the next regular monthly meeting of the Board. The Chair of the Board shall be an ex officio member of all Committees with the authority to vote. The Chancellor shall be an ex officio member of all Committees without the authority to vote. The Chair shall from time to time appoint members of the Board to such special or ad hoc Committees as he or she may deem necessary or advisable to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of the Board.

The Executive and Compensation Committee of the Board shall consist of the Chair of the Board, the Vice Chair of the Board, and the Chancellor (ex officio and nonvoting) and include at least four but not more than six members of the Board who are appointed by the Board Chair. The Board Chair shall serve as Chair of the Executive and Compensation Committee, and the Chancellor or his/her designee shall serve as the Committee's secretary.

9. Specific Duties of Standing Committees

The Executive and Compensation Committee shall be responsible for forwarding to the Board the nominations of all prospective officers of the Board. In all other matters, the standing Committees of the Board shall have such powers, duties, and responsibilities as may be assigned to them by the Board Chair.

10. Appearances Before Committees

A president of an institution of the University System with the approval of the Chancellor may appear before the appropriate Committee of the Board concerning matters affecting his or her institution.

Other persons desiring to appear before a Committee of the Board shall make a request in writing to the Secretary to the Board at least seven days before the scheduled meeting of the Committee at which he or she wishes to appear. This request must set forth the purpose of such appearance. The Secretary shall transmit the written request to the Chair of the Committee concerned for approval. The Secretary shall inform the person or persons of the Committee Chair's decision.

11. Heads of Institutions of the University System

The president of each institution in the University System shall be the executive head of the institution and of all its departments and shall exercise such supervision and direction as will promote the effective and efficient operation of the institution. He or she shall be responsible to the Chancellor or his/her designee for the operation and management of the institution and for the execution of all directives of the Board and the Chancellor.

12. Budgets of Institutions

The Board shall make the allocation of funds to the several institutions at the April meeting or the next regular meeting following the approval of the Appropriations Act or as soon thereafter as may be practicable in each year and shall approve the budgets of the institutions and of the office of the Board of Regents at the regular June meeting in each year or as soon thereafter as may be practicable.

The Board of Regents shall be the only medium through which formal requests shall be made for appropriations from the General Assembly and the Governor of the State of Georgia.

13. Amendment

These Bylaws may be amended or repealed at any regular meeting by an affirmative vote of not less than ten members of the Board, provided, however, that any proposed amendment to these Bylaws shall be submitted to the Secretary to the Board in writing at any regular meeting of the Board and shall be voted on at the next regular meeting of the Board. Any Bylaw may be suspended at any regular or special meeting for that meeting only by the unanimous consent of all present, provided not fewer than ten members are present.

