Academic and Student Affairs Committee Charter

Purpose

The Academic and Student Affairs Committee ("ASA") oversees the academic enterprise of the university and issues relating to student affairs and success. The committee, in collaboration with academic and student affairs leaders, strives to advance the mission of the university as a comprehensive, internationally recognized, urban public research university preparing students for success in a diverse, innovative, global environment. The committee also oversees matters related to student success including services and resources to increase recruitment, retention, persistence, completion rates and satisfaction.

Authority and Responsibilities

The committee serves to:

- 1. Ensure, protect, and advance the educational quality of the University and its academic programs;
- 2. Monitor progress towards the University's academic performance measures;
- 3. Advise the Board regarding major changes to the academic programs of the University, such as the creation, merger or closure of degree programs, schools or colleges within the University.
- 4. Establish policies and procedures related to faculty appointment, tenure and promotion;
- 5. Establish policies, programs, and procedures affecting students and campus life, including but not limited to student conduct, student housing, campus environment, and student engagement that seek to enhance the educational experiences for all students;
- 6. Review recommendations for institutional allocations of funding for research support and development;
- 7. Suggest recommendations on policies and procedures intended to enhance the development of UM research activities and resources, and to support the competitiveness of the research program relative to peer institutions;
- 8. Approve proposals for new research centers, other new research programs or significant modifications to existing research programs;
- 9. Receive regular updates on student engagement efforts;
- 10. Monitor progress on institutional efforts to recruit, retain, and graduate students.

Membership

A minimum of four trustees will serve on the Academic and Student Affairs committee. The chair of the committee will be appointed by the Executive Committee. The Provost, Vice President of Research, and the Vice President of Student Affairs will serve as ex officio members of the committee.

Meetings

The ASA shall meet quarterly, in conjunction with regular meetings of the Board, or at any other time upon the call of the ASA chair. A majority of the members of the ASA shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

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