



TOPIC: Change in name of the Committee on Education Policy

COMMITTEE: Education Policy

DATE OF COMMITTEE MEETING: November 19, 2012

SUMMARY: The Bylaws of the USM Board of Regents in Article IX establish and name the standing committees of the Board, including the Committee on Education Policy, the responsibilities of which are delineated in Section 4 of that article. During discussion of the Committee's role, function, and annual agenda at its meeting on October 17, it was suggested that a name change to encompass responsibilities related to student life at the institutions of the University System of Maryland would be appropriate. Student Life would encompass all of the activities related to the Vice Presidents of Student Affairs. In some situations an academic issue is really a student support process, and could be called either one. The inclusion of Student Life to the Committee title would put some of the appropriate focus on the perspective of the student.

The proposal was discussed at the October meetings of the Vice Presidents for Student Affairs and the Academic Affairs Advisory Council, and was endorsed by both groups.

We are today asking that the Committee consider recommending to the Board approval of the change in name.

ALTERNATIVE(S): The Committee may choose to leave the Committee name unchanged or may propose and an alternative.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION: That the Committee on Education Policy recommend that the Board of Regents approve the change in name of the Committee on Education Policy to the Committee on Education Policy and Student Life, effective immediately.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Approval of name change and revisions to the Bylaws.

DATE: November 19, 2012

BOARD ACTION:

DATE:

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DRAFT OF BOR BY-LAWS ON ED POLICY

Section 4. Committee on Education Policy and Student Life

- A. The Committee on Education Policy and Student Life shall consider all matters relating to education policies and programs for all institutions and major units, and all issues relating to academic programs such as curriculum development, adequacy of instructional facilities and institutional support for student academic services.
- B. The Committee on Education Policy and Student Life shall consider proposals for new programs and then refer to the Board.
- C. The Committee on Education Policy and Student Life shall also consider matters relating to faculty, including but not limited to conditions affecting recruitment and retention, and issues brought Advisory Councils.
- D. The Committee on Education Policy and Student Life shall also consider matters and policies related to students such as student recruitment, student support services, financial aid, campus safety and security, transfer and articulation, and extracurricular activities including athletics.
- E. The Committee on Education Policy and Student Life shall also consider matters and policies on inter-institutional cooperation, System-wide activities, collaboration with affiliated organizations, and alumni engagement.
- F. On all matters provided for in Paragraphs A, C, D and E, the Committee shall report to the Board and make recommendations as appropriate.
- G. The Committee shall also consider related matters brought to it by the Chancellor or the Board.