### 5. <u>Campus Governance</u>

# 5.1 Scope and Purpose

The constituency of each Each principal campus shall develop a system of campus governance<del>government</del> structure to establish develop and recommend policies and procedures for the campus. The campus shall design a campus governance structure and operate in a manner that provides broad representation consistent with the principles of sound democratic government and the provisions of this section. All campus policies and procedures shall be consistent with Board and System policies. governance. The campus governance structure purposes shall be to provide a system that mechanism for permits a broad-based –representation of for governance of that campus through appropriate participating involvement of the administration, students, faculty, and staff to in the determination of guidelines and policies for campus affairs and to generate and promote understanding, collaboration and a sense of community on the campus. This representation may take place through a single campus-wide governance body or multiple entities which provide separate representation for the aforementioned constituencies. The responsibility and authority hereinafter described in this section shall be vested in the campus governance organization by the University of Arkansas Board of Trustees and shall be subject to review by the Board.

### 5.2 Authority and Responsibility

The campus governance organizationstructure on each campus shall be, under the Board of Trustees, be the legislative body responsible for developing and recommending authorized to develop and recommend educational and academic policies and programs on that campus. Among other matters, this responsibility includes such areas as:

- (1) Admissions requirements
- (2) Curriculum and courses
- (3) Degrees and requirements for degrees
- (4) Calendar and schedules
- (5) Academic honors
- (6) Student affairs
- (7) Interpretation of its own legislation.

The campus government governance structure shall have the authority to make recommendations and provide input to the Chancellor, President, and the Board of Trustees on any matter of general faculty or campuswide concern, including such matters as appointment, promotion, tenure, dismissal, and non-reappointment of faculty, admissions requirements, degrees and requirements for degrees, curriculum, the academic calendar, academic honors, and student academic affairs. Through the Chancellor, action on any matter under this paragraphmay be is reported to the President

and, when requested by the campus government or considered necessary or desirable by the President, through the President to the Board of Trustees.

## 5.3 Organization and Operation

Each campus shall, consistent with provisions of this section, design any campus governmental structure and operate in any manner it determines consistent with the principles of sound democratic government. The following features shall be included in the campus governance structure.:

- (1) Members of the administration, faculty, staff, and students under the administrative jurisdiction of each of the principal campuses shall have representation in the governance of that campus. The campus may have a single governance entity or multiple governance entities with defined scopes of responsibility and defined constituencies so long as administrators, faculty, staff and students are represented.
  - (2) The local organization shall be predominantly faculty.
- (23) Meeting notices and the tentative agenda shall be publicized at least five (5) days in advance of the meeting.
- (34) Meetings shall be open to all represented persons, although floor privileges may be limited.
- (45) <u>Minutes of the meetings Summaries of the meetings</u> shall be made available to all members of the <u>local governing body promptly after the meeting.governance structure and the Chancellor promptly following the meeting. The minutes shall also be archived and made accessible to the public upon request.</u>
  - (6) Minutes of the meetings shall be forwarded promptly to the Chancellor and shall be deposited in the campus library.

Nothing herein shall be deemed to restrict the Chancellor's ability to implement policies necessary to the operation of the campus that are consistent with Board and UA System policies and with executive authority vested in the Chancellor by the Board.

### 5.4 Actions Recommendation Not Adopted Disapproved by the Chancellor

The Chancellor of the campus may disapprove any action of the local government within two (2) weeks after receipt of same. If the Chancellor and the campus organization are unable to reconcile their differences, the local organization may, by at least three-fifths (3/5) vote of those present and voting, provided that a quorum is present, appeal these differences to the President for mediation and to the Board of Trustees. If settlement is not achieved within thirty (30) days, the President shall submit the issue to the Board of Trustees for resolution.

Recommendations adopted through the campus governance structure shall be transmitted to the Chancellor. If the Chancellor declines to act favorably upon such a recommendation within two weeks of receiving it, the campus governance structure may request that the President consider the matter upon a three-fifths vote of the campus-wide governing body referenced in Section 5.1 or by a three-fifths vote of all governing entities representing students, faculty, and staff if no campus-wide body exists. If a resolution is not achieved within 30 days, the President may submit the recommendation to the Board of Trustees for consideration.

## 5.5 <u>Implementation of Local Governance</u>

The <u>campus</u> constituency of each campus shall submit a proposed plan <u>to</u> through the Chancellor for review and approval. Once approved, the Chancellor shall transmit the proposed plan to and the President for review, approval, and transmission to the Board of Trustees. Upon review and recommendation by the Chancellor and the President and approval by the Board of Trustees, the proposed plan shall be adopted and shall supersede all existing instruments of governance pertaining to that campus. Subsequent amendments shall follow the same procedure. Any proposed new or revised plan shall take effect upon approval of the Board, which reserves the discretion to amend or remand any local governance plan for further consideration. Until such a plan is submitted and approved, all rights, privileges, and obligations granted to faculties and other groups by existing documents relating to campus governance shall remain in effect.

### 6. Universitywide Governance

No provision of these regulations shall be interpreted to prohibit establishment of a universitywide government to consider matters of universitywide impact and concern.