



TO: University Affairs Board

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AGENDA ITEM: 4

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Hart House Constitution of the Board of Stewards: Revisions

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

The Hart House Constitution provides that the Board of Stewards may recommend to the Governing Council amendments to the Constitution.

The University Affairs Board is responsible for approving constitutions, articles of incorporation and corporate by-laws for the representative student committees and for incorporated student societies and campus organizations for which the university collects fees. The Board's Terms of Reference also defines Hart House as a campus organization and provides that the Board is responsible for its operation.

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

The Constitution of the Board of Stewards of Hart House was first approved by the Board on February 8, 1994. Revisions to the Constitution were approved by the University Affairs Board on March 27, 2001, and January 18, 2005. The proposed amendments were approved by the Hart House Board of Stewards on March 15, 2012 (documentation attached).

HIGHLIGHTS:

The revised constitution incorporates the Hart House vision statement (approved by the Board of Stewards in 2011), provides a framework for disciplinary processes with respect to the conduct of members, and clarifies the role of the Board of Stewards and the Warden.

FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

There are no direct financial implications for the University's operating budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the University Affairs Board approve:

THAT the amended Hart House Constitution of the Board of Stewards, which was approved by the Board of Stewards on March 15, 2012, be approved.