



MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the University Affairs Board

FROM: Louis R. Charpentier, Secretary of the Governing Council

DATE: December 21, 2004 for January 18, 2005

AGENDA ITEM: 5

RE: **Constitution of the College of Electors: Revisions**

Sponsor: Chair of the Governing Council

Jurisdictional Information: The University Affairs Board recommends to the Governing Council major amendments to the Constitution of the College of Electors.

Previous Action Taken: The College of Electors was established by the Governing Council in 1972 to be the means by which alumni governors and the Chancellor are elected. The Constitution of the College sets out the framework for the College exercising its responsibilities. The Constitution was last revised in June 1999.

Background: In October 2003, the Executive Committee of the Governing Council established a Special Committee to Review the Election Process for Alumni Governors and the Chancellor. At its meeting of December 2, 2004, the Executive Committee of the Governing Council received the Report of the Special Committee and approved the implementation strategy proposed by the Secretariat. Included in the implementation strategy were recommendations for changes to the Constitution of the College of Electors.

Members of the College of Electors considered the Report of the Special Committee and the Response of the Secretariat at the December 13 meeting of the College. The codification of practice and clarification of responsibility with respect to the election and re-election of the Chancellor had been requested by the College a number of times over the past few years.

Highlights

- The consent of nominees to stand for the position of Chancellor will be required.
- The expanded Executive Committee that is struck for the election of the Chancellor is being renamed the Chancellor Search Committee
- A process for the review and re-election of the Chancellor has been described and included in the Constitution.
- Changes to update language have been made.

Action Sought:

THAT the University Affairs Board recommend to the Governing Council that the revised Constitution of the College of Electors, a copy of which is attached to the memorandum from the Secretary of the Governing Council dated December 21, 2004, be approved.