

SECTION 2, CORE REQUIREMENT 2.3

The institution has a chief executive officer whose primary responsibility is to the institution and who is not the presiding officer of the board. (Chief Executive Officer)

JUDGMENT OF COMPLIANCE

Compliant

Partially Compliant

Noncompliant

RATIONALE FOR JUDGMENT OF COMPLIANCE

Dr. Nathaniel Hansford was the president of NGCSU from 1999-2004. Dr. David Potter assumed the presidency of the University in January of 2005. Neither president has served on the Board of Regents. The bylaws and policies of the Board of Regents specify both the selection of an institutional president and the president's responsibilities. These can be found at *Board of Regents Bylaws*, Article VI [[1](#)], which reads:

The president of each institution in the University System shall be the executive head of the institution and of all its departments and shall exercise such supervision and direction as will promote the effective and efficient operation of the institution. He or she shall be responsible to the Chancellor for the operation and management of the institution and for the execution of all directives of the Board and the Chancellor.

Additionally, the election of the president by the board is outlined in Section 201 of the *BOR Policy Manual* [[2](#)], which reads:

- A. The Board shall elect the presidents of institutions at the April monthly meeting. Presidents shall not hold tenure at the institution but may hold, retain, or receive academic rank. They shall be elected each year for a term of one year. The Chancellor shall notify them of their appointment but such presidents shall not be entitled to a written employment contract. All such appointments will be made expressly subject to the Policies of the Board of Regents.
- B. Persons holding tenure in the University System who receive an initial presidential appointment shall be required to relinquish

their tenure before assuming the office of the president. No person shall be awarded tenure while serving as president (*BOR Minutes*, 1991-92, p. 34).

- C. A person accepting the position of acting president at a University System institution shall not be a candidate for president of that institution (*BOR Minutes*, August 2000, p. 63).

Subsequently, Section 202 relates to the procedure for the selection of a president, Section 203 relates to the removal and resignation of a president and Section 204 defines the president's authority and responsibilities [3]. The initial paragraph related to the president's authority and responsibility reads:

The president of each institution in the University System shall be the executive head of the institution and of all its departments, and shall exercise such supervision and direction as will promote the efficient operation of the institution. The president shall be responsible to the Chancellor for the operation and management of the institution and for the execution of all directives of the Board and the Chancellor. The president shall be the ex officio chair of the faculty and may preside at meetings of the faculty. At those institutions which have a council, senate, assembly or any such body, the president or the president's designee may chair such body and preside at its meetings. The president shall be the official medium of communication between the faculty and the Chancellor, and between the council, senate, assembly, or any such body and the Chancellor (*BOR Minutes*, 1993-94, p. 239).

The *NGCSU Statutes*, Article II [4], confirms adherence to the BOR bylaws and policies in regards to the office of president and outlines the duties of the president as follows:

- a. to be the chief executive officer of the University and to exercise such supervision and direction as will promote the efficiency of the University and its departments;
- b. to be the official medium for the communication to the Chancellor of all matters concerning the University, its faculty, and its students;
- c. to recommend annually to the Board of Regents, through the Chancellor, the appointment or reappointment of the faculty and other employees of the University, including their salaries, promotions, and removal. In cases of exigency, the President

may make such appointments as are necessary for the continued operation of the University, but such appointments shall be subject to confirmation by the Board of Regents;

- d. to prepare, with the assistance of the heads of departments and appropriate administrative officers, the annual budget of the University for presentation to the Board of Regents;
- e. to prepare an annual report for the Board of Regents on the condition and needs of the University;
- f. to have veto over all decisions of the University faculty, administrative officers, and student organizations;
- g. to confer, on the recommendation of the University faculty, all degrees and to issue diplomas in evidence thereof;
- h. to have the power to appoint special or standing committees to advise regarding matters pertaining to the University;
- i. to be the ex-officio chairman of the faculty and to preside at meetings of the faculty; and
- j. to serve as Chair of the Faculty Senate.

Article III [5] of the Statues relates to the power of the president to appoint, with the approval of the Board of Regents, all administrative officers of the University.

In summary, the president of NGCSU is solely responsible for the University and has the power to administer and execute the policies developed by the board, either directly or through senior administrators

Document Reference:

Number	DB Num	Document Title	Resource
1		Board of Regents, <i>Bylaws</i> , Article VI, Heads of Institutions of the University System	http://www.usg.edu/regents/bylaws/#VI
2		Board of Regents, <i>Policy Manual</i> , Section 201, Election of Presidents by the Board	http://www.usg.edu/regents/policymanual/200.phtml
3		Board of Regents, <i>Policy Manual</i> , Sections 202 –	http://www.usg.edu/regents/policymanual/200.phtml

Number	DB Num	Document Title	Resource
		Procedure for Selection of a President for University System Institutions, 203 – Removal and Resignations of Presidents, 204 – Authority and Responsibilities	
4		<i>NGCSU Statutes</i> , Article II	http://www.ngcsu.edu/resource/irp/statutes.pdf
5		<i>NGCSU Statutes</i> , Article III	http://www.ngcsu.edu/resource/irp/statutes.pdf