



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE CHARTER

Purpose

The primary function of the Academic Excellence and Student Success Committee (the “Committee”) is to assist the Board of Trustees in fulfilling its oversight responsibility for academic programs, policies, and other educational, student support, and outreach activities of the University. The Committee in exercising its duties is to ensure the University’s educational quality, long-term academic vitality, the quality of the student experience, and effective engagement with its region. The Committee is to report its recommendations for action to the Board of Trustees.

Membership

The chairperson of the Board of Trustees will appoint the Committee’s chair and membership. The Committee’s principal liaisons are the University’s senior vice president and provost; senior vice president for student affairs; vice president for enrollment management; vice president for research and sponsored programs; vice president for regional campuses; vice president for diversity, equity and inclusion; and director of athletics. Other university personnel may provide support to the Committee depending on the nature of the action to be considered.

Meetings

The Committee will meet in accordance with the meeting calendar established by the chairperson of the Board of Trustees and at other times as convened by the chairperson of the Board of Trustees in accordance with Ohio’s open meeting law. Meeting agendas will be prepared and provided in advance to members along with the appropriate briefing materials. A meeting summary will be prepared following each meeting and provided to the Board of Trustees for information.

Responsibilities

The Academic Excellence and Student Success Committee shall:

- Consider all matters relating to educational policy and the educational mission and objectives of the University, academic planning, instruction, research, and outreach.

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- Provide to the Board perspectives on changing student needs and interests, societal needs, and other public interests that may affect the University's teaching, research, and service programs as well as student support programs and campus life.
- Ensure adequate programs are in place to assess the effectiveness of the University's academic programs.
- Consider and recommend to the Board proposals concerning the development of new academic programs and degrees and the substantial revisions of existing programs relating to instruction, research and service.
- Consider and recommend to the Board the establishment of new academic organizations such as colleges, institutes and centers as well as major academic reorganizations and name changes.
- Review faculty and academic staff personnel actions as recommended by the President.
- Review policy matters relating to faculty governance.
- Consider policy matters pertaining to enrollment management and student affairs, recruitment, admissions, campus life, financial aid, and student health and welfare.
- Review and recommend to the Board proposals and any necessary policies related to student conduct, rights and responsibilities.
- Monitor and promote the integration of student-athletes into the campus mainstream and ensure that the department of intercollegiate athletics promotes a culture of academic achievement.
- Monitor and promote the effectiveness of programs seeking to extend the reach of Kent State University to the local, regional, state, national and international communities including regional development, research and technology transfer, and public service activities.