

Chapter 41, Acts of 1963, established the Board of Trustees of the State Colleges to direct and manage the four-year public colleges of the State. Chapter 917, Acts of 1976, redesignated the governing board as the Board of Trustees of the State Universities and Colleges. The same Act designated the University of Baltimore as an upper division academic institution, and redesignated Towson State College as Towson State University, contingent upon the institution meeting the criteria for name-change established by the State Board for Higher Education. Chapter 538, Acts of 1976, increased the membership of the Board of Trustees to eleven members (ten public members, one student member), all of whom are appointed by the Governor, and removed the requirement that the State Superintendent of Schools serve as an ex officio member. The incumbent public members of the Board as of June 30, 1976, serve until the expiration of their respective nine-year terms. Thereafter, public members serve five-year terms and are eligible for reappointment, but may not serve for more than two full terms, including a term that commenced prior to July 1, 1971. The student member must be eighteen years of age or older and a full-time undergraduate in good standing at a State college or university at the time of appointment, and must possess the qualifications required to be student government president at his institution. He serves a one-year term commencing July 1 of each year. The student member is appointed from the various State colleges and universities in the order of their date of chartering until all the State colleges or universities have been represented, at which time the system of rotation is repeated (Code Education Article, secs. 14-101 through 14-110, 14-201, 14-301).

The Board of Trustees submits an annual report in January of each year to the Governor and the General Assembly. The report includes a summary of the Board's major activities for the previous year together with a financial statement and other statistical data (student enrollment, number of degrees awarded, etc.) pertaining to the institutions under its aegis.

For distribution within the State University and College System, the Board publishes a manual entitled *Laws Relating to and Governing Policies and Procedures of the Board of Trustees of the State Universities and Colleges of Maryland*. The manual provides administrative guidelines for the operation of the State universities and colleges. It is amended from time to time to reflect changes in Board policy. The Board also publishes a quar-

terly newsletter, *Update*. Inquiries regarding the newsletter may be directed to the editor, John E. Surrick, at 269-3973.

BOARDS OF VISITORS OF THE STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

A Board of Visitors for each institution under the jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees of the State Universities and Colleges was created by Chapter 799, Acts of 1969, as amended by Chapter 724, Acts of 1975, and Chapter 284, Acts of 1978. Each Board consists of nine members. The Governor appoints seven members for five-year staggered terms. The other two members include a faculty member elected by the faculty of the college or university, and a student member elected by the student body of the college or university. The seven appointed members are eligible for reappointment but may not serve longer than ten years. Student members serve one-year terms while faculty members serve two-year terms. The individual Boards elect their own chairpersons and other officers as required.

Each Board assists the president of the college or university in determining the goals of that institution and in an evaluation of the progress toward such goals. Each also makes recommendations and assists in the preparation of the annual institutional budget, development of institutional facilities, conduct and development of community related programs, development of community and private support for the institution, and selection of a president. Each Board also carries out such responsibilities as may be delegated to it by the Board of Trustees of the State Universities and Colleges or by the president of the institution (Code Education Article, sec. 14-107).

STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

BOWIE STATE COLLEGE

Board of Visitors

Howard C. Wright, 1983; Malcolm L. Funn, 1984; Elmer Kuhn, 1984; Milton Mack, 1984; Dennis L. Ortiz, 1985; Elaine Smith, 1986; Barbara Trimble, 1987.

The College

Marcellina M. Brooks, *Acting President*