

(c) *The Board shall appoint a qualified person as executive director who shall serve at the pleasure of the Board and receive such salary as is provided in the budget. The executive director shall be the chief administrative officer of the Board; he shall keep a record of all meetings of the Board, maintain and preserve all books, records and papers of the Board, and perform such other duties as the Board may prescribe. The Board shall also appoint at the recommendation of the executive director such other staff members as may be necessary to carry out the duties of the Board. The employees of the Board, with the exception of the executive director and professional employees who shall not be included in the classified service, shall be subject to the provisions of Article 64A of this Code, title "Merit System." The executive director and all professional and clerical employees of the Board shall be eligible for membership in and shall become members of the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Maryland.*

(d) *The Board of Trustees shall authorize all departments of instruction and all positions in the State colleges, shall fix the salaries and tenure of all teachers, and all assistants of whatever kind, and shall make all appointments to positions in a State college from nominations submitted by its president; it may dismiss any teacher or any assistant, upon the written recommendation of the president of his college, for immorality, dishonesty, misconduct in office, incompetence, insubordination and wilful neglect of duty, but no teacher or professional assistant may be dismissed without being given a copy of the charges against him and an opportunity of being heard, in person or by counsel, in his own defense, upon not less than ten days' notice. Appointments to and control of all positions, except professional positions, shall be governed by Article 64A of this Code, title "Merit System." The Board of Trustees shall authorize the curricula to be offered, and subject to the provisions of Section 24 of this Article, it shall confer such appropriate degrees as it shall determine and prescribe. It shall prescribe all entrance requirements to the different departments and courses of study, including fees and admission charges; it shall regulate the length of the regular sessions and provide and arrange for summer sessions, and shall formulate rules and regulations for the conduct and management of the State colleges.*

(e) *The Board shall elect a president for each of the State colleges, provided that no president shall be elected who is not a graduate of a standard college, or the equivalent, who has had in addition less than two years of special academic and professional preparation in a standard university, and less than five years of teaching experience. Provided that nothing in this section affects the terms of the present incumbents or their eligibility for reappointment. The president shall be the head of his respective college and shall be responsible for the discipline and successful conduct of his college and for the administration and supervision of all its departments. The president shall nominate for appointment by the Board of Trustees, and may recommend for dismissal by the Board, all heads of departments, all teachers, and all assistants of whatever kind. He shall submit to the Board of Trustees, for adoption, curricula and plans of work, and shall in every way take the initiative in working out the policies of his college and in promoting its development and efficiency. He shall each year make an annual report to the Board of Trustees, of the receipts and*