INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING. EACH MEMBER SHALL BE APPOINTED FOR A TERM OF SIX YEARS FROM THE FIRST MONDAY IN JUNE OF THE YEAR OF HIS APPOINTMENT; PROVIDED, THAT THE INITIAL APPOINTMENTS SHALL BE FOR TERMS ENDING THE FIRST MONDAY OF JUNE 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968 AND 1969, RESPECTIVELY. EACH MEMBER SHALL SERVE UNTIL HIS SUCCESSOR QUALIFIES AND SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT. IN CASE OF ANY VACANCY, THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT A SUCCESSOR FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM.

(C) THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL SERVE WITHOUT COMPENSATION BUT SHALL BE PAID THEIR REASONABLE AND NECESSARY EXPENSES WHILE ENGAGED IN THE DISCHARGE OF THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES.

326.

- (A) THE COUNCIL SHALL MEET REGULARLY AT SUCH TIMES AND PLACES AS IT DETERMINES. EACH MEMBER SHALL HAVE AN EQUAL VOTE ON ALL MATTERS BEFORE THE COUNCIL, AND A MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL SHALL CONSTITUTE A QUORUM FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS. AN ACCURATE AND COMPLETE RECORD SHALL BE KEPT OF ALL MEETINGS. THE COUNCIL SHALL SELECT ITS OWN CHAIRMAN AND, SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE, IT MAY MAKE ALL NECESSARY AND PROPER RULES FOR THE TRANSACTION OF ITS BUSINESS AND THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS FUNCTIONS.
- (B) THE COUNCIL SHALL APPOINT A DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH WHO SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 64A OF THIS CODE, TITLE "MERIT SYSTEM," AND WHO SHALL PERFORM SUCH FUNCTIONS AS THE COUNCIL MAY PRESCRIBE; AND THE COUNCIL MAY EMPLOY SUCH OTHER ASSISTANTS AS ARE IN THE BUDGET PROVIDED. THE DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND ALL PROFESSIONAL AND CLERICAL EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNCIL SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP IN, AND SHALL BECOME MEMBERS OF, THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND. THE SALARIES OF ALL EMPLOYEES AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF THE COUNCIL SHALL BE AS PROVIDED IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET.

327.

- (A) IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF THE COUNCIL TO CONDUCT STUDIES CONCERNING THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE, TO REPORT THE RESULT OF ITS RESEARCHES, AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNING BOARDS OF THE PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TO APPROPRIATE STATE OFFICIALS WITH RESPECT TO THE MATTERS IT HAS CONSIDERED. THE FUNCTIONS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:
 - (1) PREPARATION OF PROGRAMS FOR THE ORDERLY