(e) The Council shall select annually from its membership a chairman, a vice-chairman and a secretary-treasurer.

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Meetings of the Council shall be called by the chairman or the Secretary. The Council shall meet at least 4 times annually.

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- (a) The Council shall have the power and authority necessary to carry out the duties imposed upon it by this subtitle and subject to the approval of the Secretary, including but not limited to the following:
- (1) Continuing all programs and activities and assuming all assets, liabilities, contracts, leases and other such obligations of the body formerly known as the Governor's Council on the Arts in Maryland.
- (2) Adopting reasonable rules and regulations to effectuate the provisions of this subtitle.
 - (3) Entering into contracts and agreements.
 - (4) Engaging services.
- (5) Requesting and obtaining from any department, division, board, bureau, commission or other agency of the State, such assistance and data as will enable it properly to carry out its powers and duties hereunder.
- (6) Accepting any federal funds granted by act of Congress or by executive order for any and all of the purposes of this subtitle.
- (7) Accepting any gifts, donations or bequests for any or all of the purposes of this subtitle.
- (b) The Council, subject to the approval of the Secretary, shall appoint, from without its members, an executive director of the Council.
- (c) The executive director shall serve at the pleasure of the Council, subject to the concurrence of the Secretary, and shall be in the unclassified service of the State Personnel Management System.
- (d) Subject to the rules and policies set forth by the Council and the administrative supervision of the Secretary, the executive director shall:
 - (1) Be the administrative officer of the Council staff;
 - (2) Direct, administer, and supervise the activities of the Council staff; and
 - (3) Appoint and remove employees of the Council.

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The Council is authorized to conduct programs subject to approval of the Secretary, including, but not limited to the following: