

(II) WHO ARE KNOWN FOR OBJECTIVE AND INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT; AND

(III) TWO OF WHOM HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF LABOR ISSUES; AND

(2) ONE MEMBER OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC, APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE FROM A LIST PROVIDED BY THE MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION, WHO IS KNOWN FOR OBJECTIVE AND INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT.

(B) BEFORE TAKING OFFICE, EACH MEMBER SHALL TAKE THE OATH REQUIRED BY ARTICLE I, § 9 OF THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION.

(C) WITH THE ADVICE OF THE GOVERNING BOARDS OF STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, THE GOVERNOR SHALL DESIGNATE A CHAIRMAN FROM AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

(D) (1) THE TERM OF A MEMBER IS 6 YEARS.

(2) THE TERMS OF MEMBERS ARE STAGGERED AS REQUIRED BY THE TERMS PROVIDED FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ON JULY 1, 2001.

(3) A VACANCY SHALL BE FILLED FOR AN UNEXPIRED TERM IN THE SAME MANNER AS AN ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT.

(4) AT THE END OF A TERM, A MEMBER CONTINUES TO SERVE UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.

(5) A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED AFTER A TERM HAS BEGUN SERVES ONLY FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.

(E) THE GOVERNOR MAY REMOVE A MEMBER FOR INCOMPETENCE OR MISCONDUCT.

(F) IN MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD, THE GOVERNOR SHALL ENSURE, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, THAT:

(1) THE RATIO OF MALE AND FEMALE MEMBERS AND THE RACIAL MAKEUP OF THE BOARD IS REFLECTIVE OF THE GENERAL POPULATION OF THE STATE; AND

(2) EACH MAJOR GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF THE STATE IS REPRESENTED ON THE BOARD.

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(A) (1) A MAJORITY OF THE VOTING MEMBERS SHALL CONSTITUTE A QUORUM FOR:

(I) THE TRANSACTION OF ANY BUSINESS; OR

(II) THE EXERCISE OF ANY POWER OR THE PERFORMANCE OF ANY DUTY AUTHORIZED OR IMPOSED BY LAW.