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BOARD OF TRUSTEES POLICY

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The Jackson College Board Chair (i.e., Chief Governance Officer - CGO), a specially empowered member of the Board, assures the integrity of the Board's process.

1. The assigned result of the Board Chair/CGO's job is that the Board behaves consistently within its own rules and those legitimately imposed upon it from outside the organization.
 - 1.1. Meeting discussion content will include only those issues that, according to Board policy, clearly belong to the Board to decide or monitor.
 - 1.2. Information that is neither for monitoring performance nor for Board decisions will be avoided or minimized and always noted as such.
 - 1.3. Deliberation will be timely, fair, orderly, and thorough, but also efficient and kept to the point.
 - 1.4. The Board's Vice-Chair will be sufficiently informed of Board issues and processes to provide continuity in the event of planned or unexpected Board Chair/CGO absences.
2. The authority of the Board Chair consists in making decisions that fall within topics covered by Board policies on Governance Process and Board-Management Delegation, with the exception of (a) employment or termination of a President and (b) instances where the Board specifically delegates portions of this authority to others. The Board Chair/CGO is authorized to use any reasonable interpretation of the provisions in these policies.
 - 2.1. The Board Chair/CGO is empowered to chair Board meetings with all the commonly accepted power of that position, such as ruling and recognizing.
 - 2.2. The Board Chair/CGO is authorized to appoint the members of all Board committees.
 - 2.3. The Board Chair/CGO has no authority to make decisions about policies created by the Board within *Ends* and *Executive Limitations* policy areas. Therefore, the Board Chair/CGO has no authority to independently supervise or direct the President.
 - 2.4. The Board Chair/CGO may represent the Board to outside parties in announcing Board-stated positions and in stating the Board Chair/CGO's decisions and interpretations within the area delegated to the Chair.
 - 2.5. The Board Chair/CGO may delegate this authority, but remains accountable for its use.

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