Student Regent Nomination Procedures

1. Chancellors, in consultation with the President of the University and with their respective student body presidents, shall be responsible for the dissemination of information about the position of student Regent. In-state travel expenses incurred in the recruitment process by the nominating commissions and by the applicants shall be paid for by the Secretary and Chief of Staff in accordance with its travel reimbursement policies.

2. A nominating commission comprising ten students, each from a different campus, shall be selected by the student body presidents. An effort should be made to have a balance of undergraduate and graduate and professional students serve on the commission. The commission shall review the applications and recommend six to eight candidates to be interviewed. The nominating commission may have the option to contact certain candidates with supplemental questions if more information is needed to make a decision or the commission needs to further winnow or augment the list of candidates to be interviewed.

3. The candidates recommended by the nominating commission shall be interviewed jointly by a panel of ten representatives of the undergraduate student association and ten representatives of the graduate student association (External Vice Presidents or their designees), one from each campus, which shall nominate three to four finalists for submission to the Regents. No other students will participate in the semi-finalist interviews. It is recommended that an equal number of graduate and undergraduate be advanced to the final interview.

4. A Special Committee of the Regents shall be appointed by the Chair of the Board to interview the finalists submitted by the student associations’ interview panel. If the Special Committee is not satisfied with the candidates, the Special Committee may request that the interview panel submit one or more additional candidates’ names. A student association president shall be invited to attend all meetings of the Special Committee with full participation in discussion and debate. The Special Committee shall complete its deliberations and submit its recommendation to the Board of Regents no later than the July meeting of the Board each year.

5. The nominating commissions, representatives of the student associations, the Special Committee of the Regents, and members of the Board of Regents shall be mindful of the provision of Article IX, Section 9 of the California Constitution that states: "Regents shall be able persons broadly reflective of the economic, cultural, and social diversity of the state, including ethnic minorities and women. However, it is not intended that formulas or specific ratios be applied in the selection of Regents." To this end, all reviewing bodies will be provided with material regarding how to ensure a diverse pool of candidates.