COMMITTEE ON STUDENT LIFE AND CULTURE CHARTER

Purpose

The Committee on Student Life and Culture (the “Committee”) shall assist the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University (the “Board”) in fulfilling its responsibilities with respect to matters relating to student life and culture at the University, including physical, emotional, and mental health and on and off campus safety.

Key Responsibilities

Specifically, the Committee shall:

- Oversee the out-of-classroom activities and what is often called the “student experience.”
- Oversee matters relating to student health and wellness.
- Work with Residential and Hospitality Services and with Student Affairs and Services to assure that, whether living in a residence hall, in Greek housing, or in other off-campus housing, students have access to campus services that are consistent with the expectations of a world-class university.
- Oversee matters relating to student conduct and the General Student Rights and Responsibilities (GSRR), including the analog for graduate and medical students (GSRR and MSRR, respectively).
- Review policies and issues related to the Office of Institutional Equity.
- Serve as the liaison to student organizations and student governing groups, including ASMSU, COGS, and RHS.
- Serve as the liaison to the Department of Athletics, student-athletes, and the intramural sports programs.
- Receive and review reports from the Ombudsperson and Dean of Students regarding student concerns and issues.
- Address community relations concerns.
- Perform such other functions or responsibilities as requested by the Board.

Composition and Terms

The Committee shall be comprised of four (4) Board members recommended by the Chair of the Board and approved by a majority vote of the Trustees. The President or a presidential designee shall also serve as a member of the Committee. The Chair of the Board shall designate a member of the Committee to serve as Chair of the Committee. Members shall be appointed to serve a term of two (2) years commencing on January 1, concurrent with the term of the chairperson of
the Board.

**Meetings and Reporting**

The Committee shall meet at least two (2) times each calendar year, with additional meetings held as needed to fulfill its responsibilities as described above. Meetings are convened by the Committee Chair.

The Committee shall keep a record of their meetings and report to the Board as required. All resolutions and reports offered by the Committee which involve matters for record in the Board’s minutes shall be made in writing.

**Authorization and Limitations**

The Committee is established pursuant to the Bylaws of the Board and shall not have the power or authority to act on behalf of the full Board. The delegation of any authority of the Board to the Committee shall not operate to relieve the Board or any member thereof of any responsibility imposed by law or the State Constitution.