

# Wright State University

Board of Trustees

## Finance, Audit, Governance, and Compliance Committee Statement of Purpose and Responsibilities

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### A. Overview

University bylaws designate that the board of trustees establish a Finance, Audit, Governance, and Compliance Committee as a standing committee of the board (See Article I, Section 6 of university bylaws). Bylaws further require the board to adopt a Statement of Purpose and Responsibilities governing operations of this committee.

The purpose of the Finance, Audit, Governance, and Compliance Committee is to assist the board in overseeing the fiscal and infrastructure management of the university, university compliance/risk management processes, internal/external audits, matters related to board governance, and any other responsibilities the board deems necessary or advisable for the efficient oversight of the university. In exercising its duties, the committee is to ensure the university's financial stability and long-term economic health.

### B. Membership and Meetings

Membership of the Finance, Audit, Governance, and Compliance committee is governed by university bylaws (Article I, Section 6 (C)).

Similarly, meetings of the Finance, Audit, Governance, and Compliance Committee are also governed by state law and the university's bylaws (Article I, Section 7).

### D. Responsibilities

The Finance, Audit, Governance, and Compliance committee is responsible for overseeing and making recommendations to the board of trustees, as may be appropriate, regarding matters pertaining to the financial, business, and administrative management of the university.

The committee also oversees the university's financial governance policy and investment policy. Matters to be brought before the committee include, but are not limited to those that require board oversight or authorization in the following areas:

1. Oversight over financial operations and fiscal management, investments, budgeting/reporting, and capital budgeting.
2. Internal/external audits, internal controls, external compliance, audits not related to financial monitors, the university's code of conduct, and risk management.
3. University infrastructure including buildings, grounds, information technology, and the purchase/sale of real property.
4. Placing and renewal of all insurance.
5. Borrowing of funds and issuance of bonds and notes.

6. Student tuition, fees, and other sources of university income.
7. Custody and investment of any funds which are now under or may in the future come under the control of the board of trustees.
8. Institutional fiscal health indicators, including Senate Bill 6 and measures of the university's accrediting agencies.
9. Approving expenditures and agreements at or below thresholds set by the Board.

### **E. Investment Committee Responsibilities**

The Finance, Audit, Governance, and Compliance committee shall constitute the board's investment committee as required by section 3345.05 of the Ohio Revised Code and shall be authorized to exercise that authority and responsibility as provided by laws.

### **F. Infrastructure, Facilities, and Grounds**

In considering matters relating to the infrastructure and campus facilities, the Finance, Audit, Governance, and Compliance committee shall review and make recommendations to the board regarding the following subjects, when board authorization or oversight is necessary:

1. Matters relating to the grounds and facilities of all campuses and other real property of the university, campus master plans, capital project plans, major capital construction projects, and long-range development of the total physical environment of the university, including inherent standards of aesthetics and quality.
2. The acquisition of any real property regardless of source (e.g. purchase, gift, eminent domain), including by lease if the annual cost to the university is greater than \$500,000.00.
3. The disposition of any real property with a value more than \$500,000.00.
4. The acquisition or disposition of property broadly classified as technology with a value more than \$500,000.
5. Proposed projects more than \$500,000, including, but not limited to, the construction, demolition, or remodeling of facilities, as well as projects associated with energy, environmental health, safety, and transportation.
6. Institutional mission, strategic and master plans, or relevant parts thereof, dealing with matters within the committee's purview.
7. The university's policy on naming of facilities, grounds, and spaces.

### **G. Policy Review**

The Finance, Audit, Governance, and Compliance Committee shall review and assess this Statement of Purpose and Responsibilities and recommend changes to the board as may be appropriate.