

**Faculty Council**

- a. The faculty shall annually elect a Faculty Council, and its Chair and Vice Chair.
- b. The primary functions of the Council are to ascertain the concerns of the faculty and to develop programs of improvement at the direction of the faculty. The Council serves as an informational body, to which any faculty member may bring issues of interest. The Council formulates recommendations or brings issues of interest to the faculty meetings for discussion and appropriate action. The Council reflects, when necessary, general faculty opinion on behalf of the faculty on such issues as faculty compensation, evaluation, social activities, and spiritual vitality. The Council also acts on behalf of the faculty in communicating matters of faculty concern to the Board of Trustees through its representative to the Board.
- c. The chair of the Faculty Council shall preside in the faculty meetings when matters under consideration are being referred to the faculty from the Council.
- d. The chair of the Faculty Council shall function ex officio as one of the faculty representatives to the Board of Trustees.