

## B. Board of Visitors

The Board of Visitors, the governing board of the institution, gives final approval for appointments, reappointments, the awarding of tenure, and the awarding of promotion. The Board of Visitors may make exceptions to the various criteria for appointment, reappointment, promotion, and tenure.

The Board of Visitors approves the Faculty Senate Bylaws and any changes thereto.

The Board of Visitors is the final level of appeal for personnel decisions involving faculty discipline, the denial of promotion, the denial or revocation of tenure, or dismissal after all other appeals have been exhausted. The avenue of appeal is through the campus liaison to the Board of Visitors who will transmit to the Board the request for consideration of the appeal and any transcript and records of the full hearing by the Faculty Status and Grievances Committee. The Board of Visitors decides based on the existing transcript and record(s), although the Board may question a member of the Committee for any needed clarification. An appeal does not involve a rehearing. The Board of Visitors shall sustain or reject the University decision and will notify all parties involved of the decision. The Board of Visitors shall be the final level of appeal in such matters.