03.400 Committees

03.401 Standing Committees. The four standing committees of the Board shall be Audit, Finance, Strategic Infrastructure, and Student Success, Academic and Clinical Affairs.

03.402 Composition of Standing Committees. Each standing committee shall be composed of not fewer than four members of the Board appointed by the Chairman of the Board.

03.403 Advisory Members. No more than three individuals may be appointed as advisory members to a standing or other committee. Advisory members may be appointed by the Chairman with the approval of the Committee Chairman and the Chancellor. Advisory members shall serve a one-year term commencing on September 1 and terminating the following year on August 31. Advisory members may be reappointed. Advisory members may not vote on any matter before a committee or make or second any motion before a committee.

03.404 Quorum. Three members of a standing committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting. Advisory members are not counted in determining whether a quorum exists for a meeting of a committee or determining the outcome of any committee vote.

03.405 Appointment of Committee Chairman. The chairman of each standing committee shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Board, unless otherwise ordered by the Board. The chairman of a standing committee shall serve until such time as the Chairman of the Board reconstitutes the committee and appoints a new chairman.

03.406 Vacancy by Committee Chairman. If a vacancy occurs in the chairmanship of a standing committee, the Chairman of the Board shall appoint another member to serve as the chairman of the committee.

03.407 Authority of Standing Committees. The authority of standing committees shall be subject to action by the whole Board. The committees' actions must be authorized and approved by the Board before becoming effective unless the Board delegates to the committee the authority to act on its behalf.
03.408 **Duties of the Audit Committee.** The Audit Committee oversees the quality and integrity of the accounting and financial reporting practices and financial statements, the internal auditing function and the internal control environment, legal and regulatory compliance disclosure controls and procedures, and compliance with ethical standards. The Committee initiates System and institution audit and compliance activities as deemed necessary to establish appropriate control processes within the system and ensures that the Board maintains direct access to all audit and compliance reports of the System. The Committee recommends for approval by the Board the hiring, retention, removal, and evaluation of the chief audit executive who shall report to the Board through the Committee. The Committee shall approve the internal audit mission statement, charter, and other governance documents related to internal audit activities. The Committee will establish a charter that outlines the scope of the Committee’s responsibilities and a timeline each year that provides a scheduled review of all major topics in its scope.

03.409 **Duties of the Finance Committee.** The Finance Committee oversees the fiscal stability and long-term economic health of the UNT System. The Committee monitors the System’s and Institutions’ financial operations, debt level and investment performance, requires the maintenance of accurate and complete financial records, approves budgets, and maintains open lines of communication with the Board about the System’s and Institutions’ financial conditions. The Committee will establish a charter that outlines the scope of the Committee’s responsibilities and a timeline each year that provides a scheduled review of all major topics in its scope.

03.410 **Duties of the Strategic Infrastructure Committee.** The Strategic Infrastructure Committee shall recommend to the Board any required actions concerning facility namings, acquisition or disposition of real property and mineral interests, design and construction of major projects, the adoption or modification of capital improvement plans and master plans, and approval of contracts as required by the Regents Rules. The Committee will establish a charter that outlines the scope of the Committee's responsibilities and a timeline each year that provides a scheduled review of all major topics in its scope.

03.411 **Duties of the Student Success, Academic and Clinical Affairs Committee.** The Student Success, Academic and Clinical Affairs Committee shall make recommendations to the Board regarding the academic and clinical missions of the UNT System and institutions, as well as policies and resources needed to realize its mission, execute academic strategic priorities, evaluate the quality and integrity of each institution’s programs and instructional staff, and promote the welfare of students attending any UNT System institution. The Committee shall establish a charter that outlines the scope of the Committee’s responsibilities and a timeline each year that provides a scheduled review of all major topics on its scope.

03.412 **Other Committees.** The Chairman may appoint, or a majority of the members of the Board may vote to create, such other standing and special committees as are necessary for conducting Board business.