Hampshire College Board of Trustees
Student Life Committee
February 15, 2013

Charge

To oversee, approve, and monitor policies and plans that promote a safe and healthy environment conducive to an integrated and holistic student educational experience, characterized by academic success, personal health and growth, and the enjoyment of a high quality of campus life; and ensure that the mission of the College guides all student life programs.

Membership, Leadership, and Organization

The committee shall consist of no fewer than five and no more than seven members, a majority of whom shall be trustees. The total shall be an odd number. A trustee shall serve as chair of the committee.

The committee shall meet at least three times annually. The dean of students or her/his designee shall staff the committee.

Responsibilities

The Student Life Committee shall ensure that: 1) adequate resources are budgeted to support student life programs and that the effectiveness and appropriateness of those programs and the learning outcomes of students are assessed; 2) students’ interests are considered in the Board’s policy making and strategic planning activities; 3) collaboration exists between student life professionals and faculty/academic support staff to provide a healthy and effective educational experience for students; and 4) the committee will keep the Board apprised of the nature of the student body, the needs of Hampshire’s students, and the state of the College’s student life programs.

In carrying out its responsibilities the Student Life Committee shall make timely reports to the Board of its work and shall present for action by the Board any recommended changes to student life programs and related matters.