## **MEMORANDUM**

To: University Council

From: David Shipley, Chair, Statutes and Bylaws Committee

Date: March 17, 2017

Re: Proposed Revisions to Article III of the University Statutes - Chief Officers of

General Administration and Other Senior Administrative Officials

The Statutes and Bylaws Committee received a request from the President's Office last semester to start the process of revising Article III of the University Statutes: Chief Officers of General Administration and Other Senior Administrative Officials. Attached to this memorandum are the current version of Article III which contains 11 sections, and a red-lined version of Article III showing the proposed modifications. It has 12 sections.

The revisions reflect the changes in the University's administration since the retirement of President Adams. There were 3 senior vice presidents during his administration: Senior Vice Presidents for Academic Affairs and Provost; Finance and Administration; and, External Affairs. The current version shows that were also Vice Presidents for Instruction; Research; Public Service and Outreach; Student Affairs; and, Government Relations.

The changes are as follows. We now have 1 senior vice president (the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost) and there are 9 vice presidents: Finance and Administration; Development and Alumni Relations (formerly External Affairs); Instruction; Research; Public Service and Outreach, Student Affairs; Government Relations; Marketing and Communications (formerly Public Affairs); and, Information Technology. The current version of Article III does not include the Vice Presidents for Marketing and Communications (formerly Public Affairs) and Information Technology.

Reporting to the President are the Provost; the Vice President for Finance and Administration; the Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations; the Vice President for Government Relations; and, the Vice President for Marketing and Communications. The other Vice Presidents report to the Provost.

The title of Article III becomes Senior University Officials. The descriptions of the several positions have not been revised significantly, and the descriptions of the two vice presidents which have been added are accurate. In addition, the sections have been renumbered.

These proposed revisions were circulated among the five members of the Statutes and Bylaws Committee in November. There are no substantive changes in the proposed revisions. They simply update Article III's descriptions of the administrators reporting directly to the President or to the Provost. The members of the Statutes and Bylaws Committee were unanimous in approving them and recommending that they be forwarded to the Executive Committee of University Council and then to Council for approval. The Executive Committee voted in favor of

this recommendation at its meeting on February 1, 2017. This proposal was initially on the agenda for the February 15, 2017 meeting of University Council that was canceled due to a lack of agenda items requiring immediate action. Accordingly, this proposal is on the agenda for the March 22, 2017 of University Council.