

CHAPTER II- THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS
SECTION 200. MEMBERSHIP.

200 A. Initial Membership.

For terms specified by statute and until their successors are chosen, the Board of Governors shall consist of representatives elected in accordance with state law. [See G.S. 116-5(a), (b), (c), and (d)]

200 B. Subsequent Membership.

(1) Election of Members.

(a) Members of the Board of Governors shall be elected by the Senate and House of Representatives. Twelve members shall be elected at the regular legislative session in 2017, and every two years thereafter. All terms shall commence on July 1 of odd-numbered years, and all members shall serve for four-year overlapping terms. Beginning with elections held on or after January 1, 2017, no person may be elected to more than three full four-year terms. Election for a partial term to fill a vacancy as provided in G.S. 116-7 shall not count toward the three-term limitation. Members elected by the Senate and House of Representatives shall be designated as voting members. [See G.S. 116-6(a), (b), and (c)]

(b) Whenever any vacancy shall occur in the elected membership of the Board of Governors, it shall be the duty of the secretary of the University to inform the General Assembly of the existence of the vacancy, and the General Assembly at its next regular session shall elect a person to fill the unexpired term. Whenever a member shall fail, for any reason other than ill health or service in the interest of the state or nation, to be present for four successive regular meetings of the board, the individual's place as a member shall be deemed vacant. [See G.S. 116-7(c)]

(2) General Qualifications.

(a) [Repealed March 6, 2002]

(b) [Repealed March 6, 2002]

(c) No member of the General Assembly or officer or employee of the state or of any constituent institution or spouse of any such member, officer, or employee may be a member of the Board of Governors. Any member of the Board of Governors who is elected or appointed to the General Assembly or who becomes an officer or employee of the state or of any constituent institution or whose spouse is elected or appointed to the General Assembly or becomes such officer or employee shall be deemed thereupon to resign from membership on the Board of Governors. [See G.S. 116-7(b)]

200 C. Special Memberships.

For all purposes of this *Code*, the following members shall be designated as special members:

(1) Member Ex-Officio.

During the individual's continuance as a student in good standing at a constituent institution of the University of North Carolina, the person serving as president of the University of North Carolina Association of Student Governments (UNCASG) or designee shall serve ex-officio as a member of the Board of Governors. This student member shall be in addition to the 32 members elected to the Board of Governors. [See G.S. 116-6.1]

(2) Members Emeriti.

Any person who has served at least one full term as chair of the Board of Governors shall be a member emeritus of the Board of Governors for one four-year term beginning at the expiration of that member's regular elected term. [See G.S. 116-6 (f)]

(3) Members Emeriti - Former Governor.

Any person who has served at least one term as a member of the Board of Governors after having served as governor of North Carolina shall be a member emeritus of the Board of Governors. [See G.S. 116-6(g)]

Special members shall have all the rights and privileges of membership except that they shall not have a vote. In determining a quorum or the number of votes required in specific circumstances, special members shall not be counted. Special members may serve, by appointment from the chair of the board, on any standing or special committee but shall not have a vote or be counted in determining the presence of a quorum.