



## North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics

**Title:** Bylaws of the Board of Trustees

**Authority:** Board of Trustees

**History:** Amended March 10, 2022

**Legal Reference:** UNC Code [Appendix 1](#);  
Delegations of Duty and Authority to Boards of  
Trustees; N.C.G.S. [§. 116-233 to 235](#)

**Additional References:** N.C.G.S. [§ 116-11](#); [§ 116-31 to 34](#); [§ 120- 121](#); [§ 138-6](#)

**Responsible Offices:** Chancellor

**Classification:** 2100

### ARTICLE I. ORGANIZATION

**Section 101. Membership.** ([G.S. 116-233](#)) Notwithstanding the provisions of [G.S. 116-31\(d\)](#), there shall be a Board of Trustees of The North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics which shall consist of 27 members:

1. Thirteen members who shall be appointed by the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina, one from each congressional district;
2. Four members without regard to residency who shall be appointed by the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina;
3. Three members, ex officio and voting, who shall be the chief academic officers, or designee, respectively, of constituent institutions; the Board of Governors shall in 1985 and quadrennially thereafter designate the three constituent institutions whose chief academic officers shall so serve, such designations to expire on June 30, 1989, and quadrennially thereafter;
4. The chief academic officer, or designee, of a college or university in North Carolina other than a constituent institution, ex officio and voting; the Board of Governors shall designate in 1985 and quadrennially thereafter which college or university whose chief academic officer shall so serve, such designation to expire on June 30, 1989, and quadrennially thereafter;
5. Three members appointed by the North Carolina General Assembly upon the recommendation of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate in accordance with [G.S. 120- 121](#);
6. Three members appointed by the North Carolina General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives in accordance with [G.S. 120-121](#);
7. The president of the student government, ex-officio, who shall be a nonvoting member;
8. Up to two additional non voting members selected at the discretion of the chancellor and the Board of Trustees, with terms expiring June 30 of each year.

Appointed members of the Board of Trustees shall be selected for their interest in, and commitment to, public education and to the purpose of the School, and they shall be

charged with the responsibility of serving the interests of the whole state. In appointing members, the objective shall be to obtain the services of the best qualified persons, taking into consideration the desirability of diversity of membership, including men and women, representatives of different races, and members of different political parties.

No member of the North Carolina General Assembly or officer or employee of the State of North Carolina or of any constituent institution of the University of North Carolina, or the spouse of any such member, officer or employee, shall be eligible to be appointed to the Board of Trustees; and any appointed trustee who is elected or appointed to the North Carolina General Assembly, who becomes an officer or employee of the State or of a constituent institution of the University of North Carolina, or whose spouse is elected or appointed to the North Carolina General Assembly or becomes such an officer or employee, shall be required thereupon to resign from his or her membership on the Board of Trustees. This subsection does not apply to ex officio members.

All members appointed under subdivisions (1) or (2) of this section shall serve staggered four-year terms expiring June 30 of odd numbered years. The Board of Governors, in appointing a position created by Congressional reapportionment under subdivision (1) of this section, may provide for appointment to an initial term of two years if the Board determines the shorter term is necessary to maintain staggered terms for appointments under that subdivision. Only an *ex officio* member shall be eligible to serve more than two successive terms. Any vacancy in the membership of the Board of Trustees appointed under [G.S. 116-233\(a\)\(1\) or \(2\)](#) shall be reported promptly by the Secretary of the Board of Trustees to the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina, which shall fill any such vacancy by appointment of a replacement member to serve for the balance of the unexpired term. Any vacancy in members appointed under [G.S. 116-233\(a\)\(5\) or \(6\)](#) shall be filled in accordance with [G.S. 120-122](#). Reapportionment of congressional districts does not affect the right of any member to complete the term for which the member was appointed.

Of the initial members appointed under [G.S. 116-233\(a\)\(5\)](#) in 1985, one member shall serve a term to expire June 30, 1987, and one member shall serve a term to expire June 30, 1989. Subsequent appointments shall be for four-year terms. The initial members appointed under [G.S. 116-233\(a\)\(6\)](#) in 1985 shall be appointed for terms to expire June 30, 1987. Subsequent appointments shall be for two-year terms until January 15, 2017, at which point subsequent appointments shall be four-year terms.

No person may serve simultaneously as a member of the Board of Trustees and as a member of the Board of Governors. Any trustee who is elected to the Board of Governors shall be deemed to have resigned as a trustee effective as of the date that the individual's term commences as a member of the Board of Governors.