

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

New Jersey Statutes Annotated Currentness

Title 18A. Education

Subtitle 9. Public Higher Education

→ Chapter 65. Rutgers, The State University ([Refs & Annos](#))

Article 1. Short Title

18A:65-1. Short Title

This chapter shall be known as and may be cited as the "Rutgers, the state university law."

Effective: [See Text Amendments]**Article 2. Definitions and Declaration of Public Trusts ([Refs & Annos](#))****18A:65-2. The term "the corporation" defined; trusts imposed**

The term "the corporation," as used in this chapter, shall mean the said body corporate and politic, incorporated under the name of "the trustees of Queen's-College, in New Jersey," by royal charter dated November 10, 1766 (amended March 20, 1770), confirmed and amended by acts of the legislature of the state of New Jersey adopted June 5, 1781, and May 31, 1799, respectively, and having perpetual succession and existence; its name having been changed to "the trustees of Rutgers college in New Jersey" by act of the legislature adopted November 30, 1825 and to "Rutgers, the state university" pursuant to an act of the legislature, approved June 1, 1956; one of the departments maintained by which is and continues to be the land grant college of New Jersey; the property and educational facilities, rights and privileges of which are and shall continue to be impressed with a public trust for higher education of the people of the state of New Jersey; and which is the instrumentality of the state for the purpose of operating the state university. Nothing herein contained shall impress with such trust any property of the state.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]**18A:65-3. "The state university" or "the university" defined and described**

The term "the state university" or "the university," as used in this chapter, shall, unless the context clearly indicates to the contrary, include and mean the educational entity conducted by the corporation, heretofore designated "the state university of New Jersey," as now and hereafter constituted, including all departments, colleges, schools, centers, branches, educational and other units and extensions thereof, including the state college for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts, the agricultural experiment station, the New Jersey agricultural experiment station managed and directed by the board of managers, Douglass college, the Paterson college, the graduate school of social work, the school of ceramics, the departments of higher education, formerly maintained by the university of Newark, including the college of arts and sciences, the school of business administration and the school of law, and those, formerly maintained by the college of South Jersey, including the junior college and the school of law, and all other departments of higher education maintained by the corporation.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]**Article 3. Construction of Chapter**

18A:65-4. Vested rights, grants, charter privileges, etc., not affected; exceptions

Nothing herein contained shall be construed to impair, annul or affect any vested rights, grants, charter rights, privileges, exemptions, immunities, powers, prerogatives, franchises or advantages heretofore obtained or enjoyed by the corporation or the university or any constituent unit thereof, under authority of its charter or any act of this state or under any grant, deed, conveyance, transfer, lease, estate, remainder, expectancy, trust, gift, donation, legacy, devise, endowment or fund, all of which are hereby ratified and confirmed except insofar as the same may have expired or have been repealed or altered or may be inconsistent with this chapter or with existing provisions of law; subject, however, thereto and to all of the rights, obligations, relations, conditions, terms, trusts, duties and liabilities to which the same are subject.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-5. Officers or outstanding commitments not affected

The enactment and adoption of this chapter shall not of itself affect the official status of any officer of the corporation or the university, or any outstanding authorization of any officer, agent or employee to take any specified action, or any outstanding commitment or undertaking of or by the corporation or the university, except to the extent that any of the same may be inconsistent with this chapter.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-6. Tenure, civil service and retirement rights

Nothing in this chapter shall be construed so as to deprive any person of any right of tenure, or under civil service, or under any retirement system, or to any pension, disability or social security or similar benefits, to which he is entitled by law or contractually.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-7. Repealed by L.1994, c. 48, § 307, eff. July 1, 1994

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-8. State's credit not pledged

No provision in this chapter contained shall be deemed or construed to create or constitute a debt, liability, or a loan or pledge of the credit, of the state of New Jersey.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-9. Chapter liberally construed

This chapter, being deemed and hereby declared necessary for the welfare of the state and the people of New Jersey to provide for the development of public higher education in the state and thereby to increase the efficiency of the public school system of the state, shall be liberally construed to effectuate the purposes and intent thereof.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-9.1. Certain repealers saved

Section 36 of chapter 61 of the laws of 1956 [FN1] entitled "An Act concerning The Trustees of Rutgers College in New Jersey, the State University of New Jersey, changing its name to Rutgers, The State University, reorganizing the Board of Trustees thereof, and creating a Board of Governors having general supervision over and vested with the conduct of the University, amending its Charter, and repealing Section 3 of Chapter 49 of the Laws of 1945, approved March 26, 1945 [FN2] (P.L.1945, page 115), and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this Act," approved June 1, 1956 (P.L.1956, c. 61), [FN3] is saved from repeal. [This section repeals certain acts and also provisions of the charter and resolutions of the board of trustees of the university inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter.]

[FN1] N.J.S.A. § 18:22-15.60 (see Historical Note this section).

[FN2] N.J.S.A. § 18:22-15.3 repealed.

[FN3] N.J.S.A. § 18:22-15.25 et seq. (see schedule A, allocation of source material).

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 4. Name and Corporate Seal [\(Refs & Annos\)](#)

18A:65-10. Name

The name of the body corporate and politic, which operates the state university of the state of New Jersey, is continued as "Rutgers, the state university," hereafter referred to as the "corporation."

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-11. Corporate seal

The seal of the corporation now in use, shall continue to be the common seal of the corporation, unless and until a new or different seal be adopted by joint or concurrent action of the boards.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 5. Government of the Corporation and the University [\(Refs & Annos\)](#)

18A:65-12. Board of governors continued, powers, etc.

The board of governors of the corporation is continued and it shall have and exercise the powers, authority, rights and privileges, and be subject to the duties, obligations and responsibilities set forth and expressed in this chapter.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-13. Board of trustees continued, powers, etc.

The board of trustees of the corporation is continued and it shall have and exercise the powers, authority, rights and privileges, and be subject to the fiduciary and other duties, obligations and responsibilities, set forth and expressed in this chapter.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-14. Board of governors, membership, classification, terms, succession

The membership of the board of governors shall be classified as follows and consist of:

- a. the president of the corporation, serving as an ex officio non-voting member; and
- b. 11 voting members,
 - i. six of whom shall be appointed by the Governor of the State, with the advice and consent of the Senate, and
 - ii. five of whom shall be appointed by the board of trustees, from among their members elected and serving under the provisions of subsection I.c. or I.d. of 18A:65-15.

All members shall serve for terms of six years, except that the terms of those initially appointed by the Governor which began on September 1, 1956, shall expire respectively (as designated by him) one, two, three, four, five and six years after June 30, 1956, and terms of those initially appointed by the board of trustees which began on September 1, 1956, shall expire respectively (as designated by the board) two, three, four, five and six years after June 30, 1956; all of whose respective successors shall be appointed to serve six-year terms. Governors may succeed themselves for not more than one additional term after having served one full six-year term (including an initial term beginning on September 1, 1956, and expiring on June 30, 1962).

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-15. Board of trustees, members, classification, terms, etc.

I. The membership of the board of trustees shall be classified as follows and consist of:

- a. the president of the corporation, serving as an ex officio non-voting member;
- b. 11 public trustees, appointed and to be appointed by the Governor of the State, with the advice and consent of the Senate, viz.,
 - i. five public trustees, serving under section 4 of chapter 49 of the Laws of 1945 for five-year terms expiring respectively, one, two, three, four, and five years after June 30, 1956, whose respective successors shall be appointed upon the expiration of such terms and annually thereafter to serve five-year terms; and
 - ii. six public trustees appointed governors under subsection b.i. of [section 18A:65-14](#) and serving by virtue thereof for and during their respective initial and subsequent terms as governors;
- c. not less than 12 nor more than 20 trustees who shall be alumni or alumnae of Rutgers, The State University, as may be determined from time to time by the board of trustees, elected by the board in accordance with such rules, regulations and schedules, and modifications thereof, as may be prepared and adopted from time to time by the board, the terms of such alumni trustees or alumnae trustees to be six years for full terms, with power in the board to provide for shorter or interim terms when deemed by it to be advisable.
- d. Charter trustees:
 - i. in the number of trustees serving as such on August 31, 1956 without definite term, who shall continue to serve

indefinitely; provided, that upon the occurrence of any vacancy among such charter trustees, no successor shall be elected to fill such vacancy until such time as the number of such trustees has been reduced below 25, and thereafter vacancies within that number shall be filled by the board subject to the following paragraph II; ii. two women elected by the board of trustees serving six-year terms expiring respectively on June 30, 1963 and 1965 and one woman elected by the board of trustees serving a five-year term expiring June 30, 1961, whose respective successors shall be elected by the board upon the expiration of such terms and thereafter to serve six-year terms.

II. All trustees elected or appointed for terms commencing on or after September 1, 1956, other than those serving ex officio pursuant to subsections I.a. and I.b.i. of this section, shall serve for terms of six years (subject to the provisions of subsection I.c. of this section and of subsection (a) of [section 18A:65-16](#)), and may succeed themselves for not more than one additional term after having served one full six-year term.

III. The ex officio members of the board of trustees as constituted on August 31, 1956, pursuant to the charter, statutes, or resolutions of the board from time to time adopted, ceased to be such members on August 31, 1956, with the exception of the president of the corporation who continued as ex officio trustee and ex officio governor, without voting power as hereinabove provided and the commissioner of education who so continued until July 1, 1967.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-16. Governors and trustees, beginning and ending of terms, vacancies

(a) The terms of all governors and trustees which are limited shall, unless otherwise expressly provided herein, commence on July 1 in the first year, and end on June 30 in the last year, of such term.

(b) In case a governor or a trustee is elected president and he thereby becomes a nonvoting governor or trustee ex officio, a vacancy in his prior office as governor or trustee shall thereby occur.

(c) In case a trustee is appointed a governor by the Governor of the State, and he thereby becomes a trustee during his term as governor, a vacancy in his prior office as trustee shall thereby occur.

(d) Any vacancy occurring during the term of any governor or trustee (other than by the expiration of his term) shall be filled for the unexpired term only, in the same manner and subject to the same provisions, as in the case of his appointment or election; subject, however, to the provisions of subsection I.d. of [section 18A:65-15](#).

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-17. Restriction on receiving certain remuneration by members of boards

No person, other than the president, shall be eligible to membership on the board of governors, if he is a salaried official of the State of New Jersey, or shall be eligible to membership on either the board of governors or the board of trustees, if he is receiving remuneration for services from the corporation or the university. If any member of either board shall become ineligible by reason of the foregoing, a vacancy in his prior office as governor or trustee, as the case may be, shall thereby occur.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-18. Oaths

Each governor and each trustee taking office, before entering on the duties of his office, shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation to support the constitution of the state of New Jersey and of the United States, to bear allegiance to the government of the state, and to perform the duties of his office faithfully, impartially and justly, to the best of his ability.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-19. Procedure for removal of governor or trustee

(a) Any governor shall be subject to removal after hearing, by a majority of the board of governors, for malfeasance or conduct injurious to the interests of the corporation or the university, subject to review and confirmation (i) by the governor of the state in the case of his appointees, and (ii) by the board of trustees in the case of its appointees.

(b) Any trustee other than one serving under the provisions of subsection I.a. of 18A:65-15 shall be subject to removal after hearing for malfeasance or conduct injurious to the interests of the corporation or the university (i) by the governor of the state in the case of a trustee appointed by him or (ii) in the case of a trustee elected by the board of trustees, by a majority of the then membership of the board of trustees.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-20. No compensation; expenses paid

The governors and trustees shall not receive compensation for their services as such. Each governor and trustee shall be reimbursed for his actual expenses reasonably incurred in the performance of his duties or in rendering service as a member of or on behalf of either board or any committee of either board.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-21. No personal liability

No governor, trustee or officer of the corporation shall be personally liable for any debt, obligation or other liability of the corporation or of, or incurred by or on behalf of, the university or any constituent unit thereof.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-22. Quorums

- a. Six members of the board of governors shall constitute a quorum.
- b. Such number, not less than 12, of the board of trustees as shall be determined by the board, and until so determined, 12 members, shall constitute a quorum.
- c. A quorum of a joint meeting of the boards shall be present if six governors and not less than a majority of the trustees then in office (other than those who are governors), are present.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-23. Chairman of each board to be elected

The board of governors and the board of trustees shall each elect its own chairman from among its respective members.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-24. Government, control, administration, etc., of corporation and the university

The government, control, conduct, management and administration of the corporation and of the university shall be respectively vested in and allocated between the board of governors and the board of trustees as set forth and expressed in this chapter.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-25. Authority and responsibility of board of governors

The board of governors shall have general supervision over and be vested with the conduct of the university. It shall have the authority and responsibility to:

- a. Determine policies for the organization, administration and development of the university;
- b. Study the educational and financial needs of the university, annually acquaint the Governor and Legislature with the condition of the university, and prepare and present the annual budget to the Governor, the Division of Budget and Accounting in the Department of the Treasury and the Legislature, in accordance with law;
- c. Disburse all moneys appropriated to the university by the Legislature, moneys received from tuition, fees, auxiliary services and other sources, and from or by direction of the board of trustees;
- d. Direct and control expenditure and transfer of funds appropriated to the corporation and the university by the State in accordance with the provisions of the State budget and appropriation acts of the Legislature; and, as to funds received from the trustees and other sources, direct and control expenditures and transfers in accordance with the terms of any applicable trusts, gifts, bequests, or other special provisions, reporting changes and additions thereto and transfers thereof to the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting in the State Department of the Treasury. All accounts of the university shall be subject to audit by the State at any time;
- e. Borrow money for the needs of the corporation and the university, as deemed requisite by the board, in such amounts and for such time and upon such terms as may be determined by the board, with the consent and advice of the board of trustees; provided, that no such borrowing shall be deemed or construed to create or constitute a debt, liability, or a loan or pledge of the credit, or be payable out of property or funds (other than moneys appropriated for that purpose) of the State;
- f. 1. Purchase all lands, buildings, equipment, materials and supplies; and
2. Employ architects to plan buildings; secure bids for the construction of buildings and for the equipment thereof; make contracts for the construction of buildings and for equipment; and supervise the construction of buildings;
- g. Manage and maintain, and provide for the payment of all charges on and expenses in respect of, all properties utilized by the university;
- h. In accordance with the provisions of the budget, have the sole power (subject to the provisions of [section 18A:65-31](#)) to elect, appoint, remove, promote or transfer all corporate, official, educational and civil administrative personnel, and fix and determine their salaries in accordance with salary schedules adopted by the board of governors. Such salary schedules shall prescribe qualifications for the various classifications and shall limit the percentage of the educational staff that may be appointed or promoted to any given classification;
- i. In accordance with the provisions of the budget, appoint, remove, promote and transfer all other officers, agents, or employees, assign their duties, determine their salaries, and prescribe qualifications for all positions, and in accordance with the salary schedules of the State Civil Service Commission wherever possible; and
- j. Authorize any new educational department or school consistent with the institution's programmatic mission or approved by the Commission on Higher Education.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-26. Board of trustees; control of properties, funds, trusts, investments, etc.; committee memberships

The board of trustees:

- (1) Shall act in an overall advisory capacity;
- (2) Shall (a) control (i) properties, funds and trusts vested, as of August 31, 1956, in the corporation in possession or remainder or expectancy (other than and expressly excluding properties and funds owned by or title to which is in the state of New Jersey or which are held upon an express trust for the use of the state, or which have been acquired by the use of moneys appropriated by the state or by the federal government to the use of the corporation or the land grant college of New Jersey, including but not limited to real estate, buildings, improvements, fixtures, and appurtenances thereto, and tangible personal property); and (ii) properties, funds and trusts received by the corporation on or after September 1, 1956, by private gift, donation, bequest or transfer, in any manner, under the terms of any applicable trust, gift, bequest or donation dated or delivered (aa) prior to September 1, 1956, unless otherwise designated, or (bb) on or after September 1, 1956, if so designated; provided, however, that all property, educational facilities, rights and privileges which are impressed with a public trust for higher education of the people of the state of New Jersey shall continue to be so impressed; and (b) make available (after meeting all expenses of its administration) to the board of governors the income from such funds and the use of or income from such properties, subject to the provisions stated hereinafter in [section 18A:65- 27](#);
- (3) Shall have sole authority over the investment of funds under its control;
- (4) Shall have power to maintain such administrative staff and incur and pay such expenses as it deems reasonably necessary to the effective exercise of its functions and responsibilities under this chapter or by reason of any other fiduciary responsibilities to which it is subject; and
- (5) Shall be represented on the membership of the committees of the several colleges.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-27. Public policy of state

I. It is hereby declared to be the public policy of the State of New Jersey that:

- a. the corporation and the university shall be and continue to be given a high degree of self-government and that the government and conduct of the corporation and the university shall be free of partisanship; and
- b. resources be and continue to be provided and funds be and continue to be appropriated by the State adequate for the conduct of a State university with high educational standards and to meet the cost of increasing enrollment and the need for proper facilities.

II. In consideration of the utilization by the State for the purposes of public higher education of privately donated properties and funds valued as at September 1, 1956 at approximately \$50,000,000, and the prospect of future private donations, the State by this chapter agrees with the board of trustees and its successors that:

- a. if the properties and funds controlled by the trustees shall not be properly applied in accordance with the provisions of subsection d. of [section 18A:65-25](#) for the purpose of higher education and in accordance with the terms of any applicable testamentary, [FN1] trust, or other special provision; or
- b. if, without the consent of the board of trustees,

- (1) the university is not continued to be designated and maintained as the State University of New Jersey, or

(2) the name of the university shall be changed, or

(3) a vacancy in the office of the president of the university shall be filled otherwise than by appointment of the board of governors with the advice and consent of the board of trustees, or

(4) the provisions for the essential self-government of the university, viz., the provisions of [sections 18A:65-12 to 18A:65-16](#), inclusive, [18A:65-19](#), [18A:65-24](#) to [18A:65-26](#), inclusive, [18A:65-28, subsection b.](#) of 18A:65-29, 18A:65-30, subsection c. of 18A:65-31, 18A:65-33, 18A:65-6, 18A:65-9 and 18A:65-4, or any of them or of this section 18A:65-27, are amended or altered in any substantial respect or repealed; or

c. if provision shall not be made by the State sufficient to enable the board of trustees to discharge its trust to apply the trust assets described in [subsection 2 of section 18A:65-26](#) for public higher education through the conduct of a university with high educational standards, the board of trustees, after careful consideration and on not less than 60 days' prior written notice to the board of governors and to the Governor, shall have and may exercise the right to withhold or withdraw the use of the properties and funds above described in [subsection 2 of section 18A:65-26](#), or any part of them, (aa) subject to adjudication by the courts of the State, and (bb) subject to their proper application for the purposes of public higher education and in accordance with the terms of any applicable testamentary, trust or other special provision.

[FN1] So in original.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-28. Boards' powers, rights, etc., incident to their responsibilities

The boards shall have and exercise the powers, rights and privileges that are incident to their respective responsibilities for the government, conduct and management of the corporation, and the control of its properties and funds, and of the university, and the powers granted to the corporation or the boards or [FN1] reasonably implied, may be exercised without recourse or reference to any department or agency of the state, except as otherwise expressly provided by this chapter or other applicable statutes. The provisions of sections 11 and 13 of chapter 20 of the Laws of 1944 shall not be deemed or construed to be applicable to the corporation or the university.

[FN1] So in official text of Laws of New Jersey.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-29. Joint sessions of boards

a. The boards may meet in joint session for the purpose of consultation and discussion, or to act upon any matter which requires joint or concurrent action of both boards.

b. The boards by joint or concurrent action may adopt, and from time to time amend, bylaws, ordinances, statutes, rules, regulations and orders applicable to such matters as require or are subject to the exercise of joint responsibility or action, and each board may adopt, and from time to time amend, bylaws, ordinances, statutes, rules, regulations and orders applicable to such matters as require or are subject to the exercise of its responsibility or its action, subject, in either case, to the provisions of this chapter and other applicable statutes.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-30. Each board to appoint and regulate duties, functions, etc., of committees

Each board shall have the power to appoint and regulate the duties, functions, powers and procedures of committees, standing or special, from its members and such advisory committees or bodies, as it may deem necessary or conducive to the efficient management and operation of the corporation and the university, consistent with this chapter and other applicable statutes. The board of governors may appoint trustees who are not governors to membership on its committees, without vote.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-31. President of corporation; powers; term; filling vacancy

- a. There shall be a president of the corporation and of the university.
- b. He shall be responsible to the boards, and shall have such powers as shall be requisite, for the executive management and conduct of the corporation and the university in all departments, branches and divisions, and for the execution and enforcement of the bylaws, ordinances, rules, regulations, statutes and orders governing the management, conduct and administration thereof. He shall hold office at the pleasure of the board of governors.
- c. In case of a vacancy in the office, the president shall be elected by the board of governors, with the advice and consent of the board of trustees.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-32. Annual report; contents; filing

The corporation shall, annually on or before July 31, file in the office of the secretary of state a report (a) of the election and appointment of the, and the names and residences of the, members of the board of governors and of the board of trustees, and (b) of the election and appointment of the executive officers of the corporation, including the president, provost, vice president if any, secretary, assistant secretaries, treasurer and assistant treasurers, and the comptroller and assistant comptroller, at the time in office.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 6. Property Rights

18A:65-33. Gifts, grants, legacies, endowments, etc.; to vest in and inure to the benefit of the corporation

Every gift, grant, legacy, bequest, devise, endowment, estate, remainder, or expectancy, contained in any will, deed, declaration of trust, transfer, or other instrument, to or for or inuring to the benefit of the corporation or the university, or any constituent unit thereof, whenever established or acquired, and every chose in action, to which the corporation is or shall be entitled, in whatever name and under whatever title, made heretofore or hereafter to become effective or to be made, shall continue to be vested or shall vest in and shall inure to the benefit of the corporation as completely and effectually as though expressly made to it in its name and for its use and benefit; and none of the same shall lapse, terminate or revert by reason of the enactment of this chapter; subject, however, to the provisions of this chapter and other applicable laws, and to all of the rights, obligations, relations, conditions, terms, trusts, duties and liabilities to which the same are subject; and it may effectually execute and give receipts and discharges therefor and other instruments in its name or in the name in which the same may have been made or given for its use and to its benefit.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-33.1. Care, custody and control of state property

The corporation shall have the care, custody and control of such property as the State now has or shall hereafter acquire at the university, subject to the visitorial powers of the Chairman of the Commission on Higher Education at the request of the Governor.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-33.2. Legislative findings and declarations

The Legislature finds and declares that the land owned or operated by Rutgers, The State University, in central New Jersey represents one of the few significant parcels of undeveloped land in a region experiencing extraordinary development pressures; that Rutgers as the State university bears a special responsibility to the people and the interests of New Jersey; and that it is imperative that public policy decisions that will shape the face of New Jersey for centuries be made with a commitment to the overall interests of the State and its people.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-33.3. Sale, exchange, lease or disposal of undeveloped real property by board of governors; written notice of intent

Whenever the Board of Governors of Rutgers, The State University intends to sell, exchange, lease or dispose of, or otherwise convey any interest, legal or equitable, in undeveloped real property held by the university or held by the State and in the custody of the university, the board shall, not less than six months prior to the intended conveyance, provide written notice of intent to the Governor, the Senate Revenue, Finance and Appropriations Committee, or its successor, and the General Assembly Appropriations Committee, or its successor.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-33.4. Public hearing

Within sixty days after providing notification pursuant to section 2 of this act, [FN1] of the intent to sell, lease or otherwise convey land, the Board of Governors shall conduct a public hearing for the purpose of permitting the public to comment on the proposed conveyance.

[FN1] [N.J.S.A. § 18A:65-33.3.](#)

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-33.5. Development of real property subject to local land use planning and zoning requirements

Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary and except with regard to facilities which are directly related to the provision of educational services, any development of real property held by the Board of Governors of Rutgers, The State University or held by the State and in the custody of the university, shall be subject to local land use planning and zoning requirements.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 7. Board of Higher Education; Visitorial, Etc., Powers ([Refs & Annos](#))

18A:65-34. Visitorial powers of supervision and control

The visitorial general powers of supervision and control of the Chairman of the Commission on Higher Education at the request of the Governor over Rutgers, The State University, are continued and are defined as the powers to visit the university to examine into its manner of conducting its affairs and to enforce an observance of its laws and regulations and the laws of the State.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-35. Board of governors and board of higher education; recommendations to the governor and the legislature

The board of governors shall advise, in consultation with the Commission on Higher Education and the Presidents' Council, to the end that the facilities and services of the university may be so utilized as to increase the efficiency of the public school system and provide higher education for the people of the State, and the board of governors shall make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature, respecting the needs for the facilities and services, of the university, as an instrumentality of the State for said purposes.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 8. The State College for the Benefit of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts ([Refs & Annos](#))

18A:65-36. State college for benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts continued

The state college for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts maintained by the university is continued as part of the university.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-37. Payments, in lieu of interest, on proceeds of public land scrip

The sum which is paid by the state annually in semiannual payments pursuant to the certificates of indebtedness which were issued under section 2 of the act entitled "A supplement to the act entitled 'An act appropriating scrip for the public lands granted to the state of New Jersey by the act of congress, approved July 2, 1862,' approved April 4, 1864," approved June 13, 1895 (L.1895, c. 417, § 2, p. 805), together with the amendment thereto approved March 30, 1896 (L.1896, c. 135, p. 192), upon the payment or transfer to the state sinking fund of the fund of \$116,000.00 which arose from the sale of the scrip for public lands granted to the state by the act of congress approved July 2, 1862, shall be paid to the corporation for the special purposes and upon the special conditions set forth in [sections 18A:65-38](#), [18A:65-39](#) and [18A:65-40](#) incl.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-38. Moneys devoted to courses in agriculture and mechanic arts

The corporation shall devote the moneys paid to it under the provisions of [section 18A:65-37](#) wholly and exclusively to the maintenance of such courses of instruction as shall carry out the intent of the act of congress mentioned in said section, in the manner specially prescribed by section 4 of said act of congress.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-39. Free scholarships; number; qualifications and terms

The university shall, in each year, furnish gratuitous education in the courses of instruction described in [section 18A:65-38](#), in such manner as may be prescribed by the legislature, or otherwise, to such number of students of the university as would expend for their instruction in the university a sum equal to one half of the payment, under [section 18A:65-37](#), for said year, if they were required to pay therefor at the regular rates charged therefor to other students.

The students so nominated and received shall be citizens of this state, and shall be admitted into the university upon the same terms, and subject to the same rules and discipline, as apply to all other students of the university, save that they shall not be required to pay for their instruction.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-40. Annual reports of board of governors

The board of governors shall annually make and distribute the reports required by paragraph 4 of section 5 of the act of congress cited in [section 18A:65-37](#).

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-41. Payment for agricultural college; application; courses of instruction

The moneys received and to be received by this state under the act of congress approved August 30, 1890, shall immediately and as soon as received be paid over by the state treasurer, upon the warrant of the director of the division of budget and accounting in the department of the treasury and the order of the corporation, to the treasurer of the corporation, for the more complete endowment and maintenance of the agricultural college or agricultural department of the college, established in accordance with the act of congress approved July 2, 1862, for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts, to be applied only to instruction in agriculture, the mechanic arts, the English language and the various branches of mathematical, physical, natural and economic science, with special reference to their applications in the industries of life and to the facilities of such instruction, in accordance with the acts of congress relating thereto.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-42. Maintenance of courses

The corporation shall maintain therein a college or department which shall provide nondegree courses in agriculture, equipped and designed for the practical education of students, in both general and specific lines of farming.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-43. Subjects of instruction

The college or department shall offer special instruction in agricultural fields including forestry, horticulture, nutrition and biochemistry, food science, wildlife conservation--conservation biology, environmental science (including air and water pollution), meteorology and climatology, plant and animal pathology, plant and animal physiology, entomology, nematology, soils and crops, agricultural marketing and economics, dairy, poultry, and animal husbandry, turf management, weed control, agricultural crop breeding and genetics, soil microbiology, and agricultural engineering.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-44. Buildings, apparatus and machinery

The college or department shall be provided with suitable buildings for stock judging, butter making, milk testing, and lecture rooms. The buildings shall be equipped with the necessary apparatus and machinery for carrying out the specific instruction provided for in [section 18A:65-43](#).

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-45. Instructors

The corporation shall employ competent instructors of the necessary educational and scientific acquirements, to conduct the college or department. They shall teach the theoretical and practical part of the subjects provided for in [section 18A:65-43](#).

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 9. Agricultural Experiment Stations ([Refs & Annos](#))

18A:65-46. Board of managers of agricultural experiment station; number; appointment; terms; vacancies

The board of managers of the New Jersey agricultural experiment station shall consist of the president of the university, the director of the New Jersey agricultural experiment station and the secretary of agriculture ex officio and of one member appointed from the residents in each county in the state, who shall be appointed by the board of governors for terms of three years, beginning on July 1 and ending on June 30, in such manner that so far as practicable the various agricultural and other institutions served by the station shall be represented thereby and vacancies in the appointed membership shall be filled in the same manner but for the unexpired terms only.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-47. Appointed members in office, retained

The appointed members of the board of managers in office upon the effective date of this chapter shall continue in office until the expiration of the respective terms for which they were appointed.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-48. Members, no compensation except for expenses

The members of the board of managers shall receive no compensation for their services but shall be reimbursed for actual expenditures incurred in the performance of their duties.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-49. Board of managers, functions, powers and duties

The board of managers shall act as agent of the board of governors in managing and directing the New Jersey agricultural experiment station.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-50. Appropriations

Appropriations for the maintenance of the New Jersey agricultural experiment station and for the utilization of its services shall be separately made by line items.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-51. Designation of the corporation to receive federal appropriations

The assent of the state to the grants of moneys for the purposes, upon the terms and in accordance with the several conditions and provisions of the acts of congress hereinafter enumerated having been heretofore signified and expressed, and certified copies of the acts giving such assent having been transmitted to the secretary of the treasury of the United States, the corporation, being the state agricultural college of New Jersey, at which the state agricultural experiment station is established and located, is designated the college to receive the benefit of the said acts of congress, and the corporation is designated as the public educational corporation to which all moneys appropriated by congress under such acts, or supplements thereto, shall be paid for the purposes mentioned therein:

- a. The act approved March 2, 1887;
- b. The act approved March 16, 1906;
- c. The act approved February 24, 1925.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 10. Extension Works in Agriculture and Home Economics [\(Refs & Annos\)](#)

18A:65-52. Authority of corporation to receive federal appropriations and conduct the work

The assent of the legislature having been heretofore given to the provisions and requirements of the act of congress of May 8, 1914, and May 22, 1928, the corporation is authorized and empowered to receive the grants of money appropriated under said acts and to organize and conduct extension work in agriculture and home economics in connection with the state agricultural college, in accordance with the terms and conditions expressed in said acts of congress.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-53. Supplemental appropriations by counties or municipalities

In all cases where agricultural extension, home demonstration or boys' and girls' club work receives, or shall receive, funds or aid from the federal government or the state government, the board of chosen freeholders of any county or the governing body of any municipality may appropriate such sums of money as shall seem to it just and proper, to be expended in the county or municipality making such appropriation under the direction of the corporation in the New Jersey agricultural experiment station, for the purpose of promoting or carrying out such agricultural extension,

home demonstration or boys' and girls' club work.

Appropriations made by any county or municipality shall be used only in such county or municipality in addition to the funds appropriated by the federal government or the state government in furtherance of the projects contemplated by this section.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 11. School of Ceramics ([Refs & Annos](#))

18A:65-54. School of ceramics continued

The corporation shall maintain a department in the university known as the school of ceramics which shall offer undergraduate and graduate instruction in accordance with recognized standards of engineering education in the fields of ceramics and ceramic engineering. It may also offer campus or extension courses, lectures, conferences, or other formal or informal educational activities for the benefit of the ceramic industry and of persons engaged in it or related fields.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-55. Ceramic research station

The corporation shall in the school of ceramics establish programs of research in the field of ceramics to aid in carrying on its programs of instruction and to assist the ceramic industry of the state in the solution of technical problems and in the development of new ceramic products and processes. The research activities of the school may be conducted, as heretofore, under the title of the "New Jersey ceramic research station."

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 11A. School of Criminal Justice ([Refs & Annos](#))

18A:65-55.1. Legislative findings

The Legislature finds there is need in New Jersey for academic contributions to the administration of criminal justice through teaching, research and leadership, including the training of administrators and those requiring scientific background in this field, by study and searching inquiries into crime causation, juvenile delinquency, law enforcement procedure, criminal rehabilitation, and judicial doctrine relating to the trial of criminal cases, which dictate establishment of a school of criminal justice.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-55.2. Establishment and maintenance

The President and the Board of Governors of Rutgers, The State University, are authorized and directed to establish and maintain within the University a School of Criminal Justice.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 12. Graduate School of Social Work

18A:65-56. Graduate school of social work continued

The corporation shall maintain in the university a graduate school of social work to be known as the graduate school of social work.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-57. Courses of instruction

The school of social work shall offer courses of instruction in accordance with professional standards in the field of social work for persons preparing to enter this profession. It shall also provide part-time instruction for the benefit of persons already employed as social workers. Its instruction shall be conducted with particular reference to the training of personnel for the public and private social agencies located within the state of New Jersey and serving the people of this state.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-58. Advisory committee for school of social work

In order that the school of social work may be responsive to the needs of the New Jersey social agencies, the corporation may appoint an advisory committee for the school of social work which shall be broadly representative of the profession of social work in New Jersey. The advisory committee shall advise the university with respect to any matters affecting the welfare of the school of social work and the conduct of its program. The commissioner of institutions and agencies of the state of New Jersey shall be a member of the advisory committee ex officio.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-59. Programs of research

The school of social work shall establish programs of research in the field of social work to aid in carrying on its program of instruction and to improve the standards of social service in New Jersey.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 13. Integration with State Colleges (Refs & Annos)

18A:65-60. Reciprocal use of university and state colleges buildings

The board of trustees of any state college may permit the use, in whole or in part, of any of the buildings or other facilities of the state college, by the university and the corporation may permit the use, by the state college of any part of the buildings or other facilities of the university, in whole or in part, in order to integrate the state colleges and the university in such manner that the training of teachers for the public schools and other branches of higher education conducted in the university shall be conducted cooperatively by the state colleges and the university, to the end that higher educational services may be made more widely available to the people of the state.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-61. Care, custody and control of buildings jointly used

The care, custody and control of any building used jointly by any State college and the corporation shall be vested in the board of trustees of the State college or in the corporation, as the case may be. The care, custody and control of any building of a State college wholly utilized by the corporation shall be exercised by the corporation subject to the visitorial power granted herein and the care, custody and control of any building of the corporation wholly utilized for any State college shall be exercised by the board of trustees of the State college.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-62. Laws affecting students

Students enrolled in courses conducted by the university in the divisions thereof established in the state colleges pursuant to this article shall not be subject to the provisions of law affecting students enrolled in courses for the training of teachers for the public schools conducted by such colleges.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 14. Institute of Management and Labor Relations ([Refs & Annos](#))

18A:65-63. Institute of management and labor relations continued

The corporation shall maintain in the university an institute of management and labor relations.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-64. Purpose

The purpose of this article is to promote harmony and cooperation between management and labor, and greater understanding of industrial and labor relations, thereby to enhance the unity and welfare of the people of the state.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-65. Advisory council

The corporation shall appoint an advisory council for the institute of management and labor relations consisting of representatives of labor, management and the public, in equal numbers. The advisory council shall advise the corporation as to the manner of carrying out the purposes of this article. Members of the advisory council shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-66. Programs of research

The corporation shall establish in the institute programs of research in the field of management and labor relations in order to develop new material and techniques to aid in carrying on the educational activities required by this article,

and otherwise to carry out its purposes.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-67. Programs of instruction

(a) The corporation shall establish in the institute programs of instruction at convenient centers throughout the state designed to achieve the purposes set forth in [section 18A:65-64](#), and to bring about among management, labor and the public better understanding of their mutual problems and obligations.

(b) These programs of instruction may consist of instruction given in classes, or by means of lectures, conferences, institutes, demonstrations, forums or other informal educational services found to be particularly effective in teaching adults.

(c) Tuition for all instruction in the institute of management and labor relations in programs or courses not offered for academic credit to students who are candidates for degrees in the university shall be free to residents of New Jersey, but the corporation may establish a registration fee or other incidental fees in connection with the operation of such educational activities; provided, however, that the corporation may charge its usual tuition fees for courses offered by the institute of management and labor relations for academic credit to students who are candidates for degrees in the university.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 15. Medical Education [Repealed]

18A:65-68 to 18A:65-72. Repealed by L.1970, c. 102, § 31

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

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Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 15A. Specific Study Programs, Etc. ([Refs & Annos](#))

18A:65-72.1. Chronic drunkenness offender problems; conduct of study

The Attorney General is authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Rutgers, The State University for the conduct by the Rutgers Center of Alcohol Studies of a study and pilot facility involving the development of a program or programs to meet the problems of the chronic drunkenness offender.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-72.2. Assistance of federal funds and private grants

The Attorney General subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Budget and Accounting in the Department of the Treasury is authorized to apply for Federal funds and to accept private grants in assistance of the purposes of this act.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

Article 16. Pension Rights of Officers, Employees, Etc.

18A:65-73. Membership in public employees' retirement system of New Jersey

Any person holding office, position or employment in the university who was a member of the public employees' retirement system of New Jersey on April 16, 1945 may continue his membership therein and any person thereafter appointed to any office, position or employment in the university shall be eligible to membership therein on the same terms and conditions as persons holding office, position or employment under the state, except as otherwise provided in this article.

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-74 to 18A:65-85. Repealed by L.1969, c. 242, § 1

Effective: [See Text Amendments]

18A:65-74 to 18A:65-85. Repealed by L.1969, c. 242, § 1

Effective: January 18, 2000

Article 17. Fisheries Information & Development Center

18A:65-86. Fisheries Information and Development Center; purposes and objectives; research programs

a. There is established the Fisheries Information and Development Center, hereinafter referred to as the center, at the Institute of Marine and Coastal Sciences at Rutgers, The State University. The center shall be administered by the Director of the Institute of Marine and Coastal Sciences in consultation with the coordinating board of the center established in subsection a. of section 2 of this act. The director in consultation with the coordinating board shall administer funding and provide scientific support for the center, and shall coordinate the distribution of funds, program design and research team development, oversight of project accomplishments, and information transfer activities for the center.

b. The purposes and objectives of the center shall be to:

(1) Address the most urgent research and development needs of the commercial and recreational fisheries industries in the State, including all fisheries species landed in the State throughout the geographic range of those fisheries resources;

(2) Provide critical, unbiased data for the Marine Fisheries Council established pursuant to section 4 of P.L.1979, c. 199 (C.23:2B-4), the Department of Environmental Protection, the fishing public, the commercial fishery industry, including shellfish and finfish fisheries in the State and fisheries in State and federal waters, and the recreational fishery industry, including the hook and line and party and charter boat fisheries industries; and

(3) Continue the viability of New Jersey fisheries through research and development concerning the enhancement of fish stocks and the improvement of fish stock management.

For the purposes of this act, "fisheries" means all harvesting of marine fish and aquatic organisms not defined as "

aquaculture" pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1997, c. 236 (C.4:27-3).

c. The center, at the direction of the coordinating board and with the approval of the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection and in cooperation with any nonprofit groups related to the fisheries industries in the State, shall carry out scientific research programs including, but not limited to, those which:

- (1) Provide the scientific basis for improvements in stock assessment methodology and the development of improved stock assessment models;
- (2) Develop ways to utilize the most up-to-date satellite and oceanographic data in stock assessment models to analyze and assess the annual fluctuations in stock size and distribution;
- (3) Develop new and improved methods of data collection;
- (4) Reduce the impact of fishing on the mortality of juvenile fish and aquatic life, and reduce the mortality of non-targeted species and threatened and endangered species by the development and implementation of improvements in fishing technology, by-catch reduction devices, and fishing and processing methods;
- (5) Provide the best scientific data available on species population dynamics and processes controlling age structure, sources and rates of mortality, rates of recruitment, catch and release mortality, the relationship of oceanographic variables to fish stock distribution patterns, the degree of reproductive isolation of species populations and the location of brood stocks, and the relationship of food supply to fish yield;
- (6) Enhance understanding of the economic and sociological issues affecting fisheries in the State and evaluate the influence of State and local policies, changes in fishing technology, and variations in demand and supply on jobs, income, and business success or failure; and
- (7) Address issues including, but not limited to, horseshoe crab resource questions, incidental catches of marine mammals and their resulting injury or death, hook and line mortality in the recreational fluke fishery, menhaden resource questions, and stock assessments of surf clam and ocean quahog populations.

Effective: January 18, 2000

18A:65-87. Coordinating Board

a. The Fisheries Information and Development Center Coordinating Board, hereinafter referred to as the board or the coordinating board, shall consist of seven members, as follows: the Chairman of the Marine Fisheries Council; three representatives of the commercial fishery industry, representing the range of commercial fisheries in the State, including shellfish and finfish fisheries and fisheries in State and federal waters; and three representatives of the recreational fishery industry, representing the range of recreational fisheries in the State, including the hook and line and the party and charter boat fishery industry. The Governor, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the General Assembly each shall appoint one representative of the commercial fishery industry and one representative of the recreational fishery industry. Other public and private institutions of higher education and their faculties may be considered for participation in the work of the center in the future, as determined by the coordinating board.

b. The coordinating board shall organize as soon as practicable following the enactment of this act. The Chairman of the Marine Fisheries Council shall serve ex officio. Each appointed member of the board shall serve a term of four years. Board members shall be reappointed or replaced in the same manner as the original appointment or selection of the board member being reappointed or replaced. All policies and procedures concerning the hiring of board employees and reimbursement of board member expenses shall be the same as and consistent with the policies and procedures of Rutgers, The State University.

c. The coordinating board shall meet at least quarterly and shall meet as soon as practicable following the appointment of members to choose a chairperson, by a majority vote of the board members. The chairperson shall serve a term of two years and may be re-elected.

The coordinating board shall coordinate communication and information exchange between the center and the private and public sectors of the State.

The coordinating board shall have the authority to approve all expenditures and staffing of the center, except:

- (1) expenditures and staffing decisions that may be delegated to the director by the board; and
- (2) any administrative, salary or staffing expenditures that would cause the approved administrative, salary and staffing expenditures for the year to exceed 5% of the initial appropriation to the center for the establishment of the center and organization of the board or, after the first year of the board's operation, 5% of the total funding available to the center annually.

The administrative, salary and staffing costs of the center shall not exceed 5% of the total funding available to the center annually. The coordinating board shall review, assess, approve or deny annual statements of work for the research and development program, identify key research and development initiatives, and approve the final design of research programs and the members of research teams, and shall ensure that 95% of the total funding available to the center annually and from the initial appropriation to the center made by this act is used to accomplish the goals of the scientific research programs conducted pursuant to subsection c. of section 1 of this act.

The coordinating board shall convene a peer review committee appropriate to each science initiative which shall include representatives of the management and industry groups expected to be affected by the initiative. The coordinating board shall conduct a yearly assessment of research needs of the fishery, set priorities of work to be accomplished, review and assess the progress of the research and development programs and recommend the continuation or termination of specific projects to the director of the center.

Effective: January 18, 2000

18A:65-88. Powers and responsibilities of the Department of Environmental Protection

Nothing in this act shall be construed to alter any of the powers or responsibilities of the Department of Environmental Protection related to shellfish or finfish fisheries in federal and State waters as established under federal and State law.

Effective: December 12, 2002

Article 18. New Jersey Collaborating Center for Nursing

18A:65-89. Legislative findings

The Legislature finds and declares that:

- a. New Jersey Colleagues in Caring Collaborative was established in 1996 through a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant to assist nursing schools, hospitals and other nursing service institutions to initiate concerted workforce development systems within the State;
- b. Under the terms of the grant, New Jersey Colleagues in Caring is responsible for: conducting a comprehensive assessment of the current and projected nursing care needs in the State; developing a dependable system for estimating future needs; analyzing the capacity of the State's nursing workforce to meet these needs and the area's educational infrastructure to produce the numbers and types of nursing professionals required; developing a Statewide nursing workforce consortium among schools, providers and other relevant institutions to plan and implement State models that enhance educational and career mobility for nurses; and establishing a formal mechanism to keep the consortium in place over the long term so that monitoring of nursing care needs and the building of a workforce with corresponding strengths become ongoing components of the State's health care

structure;

c. Establishment of an independent nursing center, which will function as a future-oriented research and development organization that will develop and disseminate objective information and provide an ongoing strategy for the allocation of State resources directed toward the nursing work force, will assure the best possible nursing care for the residents of the State; and

d. Therefore, it is appropriate to establish the New Jersey Collaborating Center for Nursing to provide an investment in nursing by ensuring that the strategic work begun by New Jersey Colleagues in Caring continues under a State-supported infrastructure.

Effective: December 12, 2002

18A:65-90. New Jersey Collaborating Center for Nursing established

There is established the New Jersey Collaborating Center for Nursing at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, to address issues of supply and demand of the nursing workforce, including education, recruitment, retention and utilization of adequately prepared nursing personnel. The center shall be administered by an executive director under the direction of the New Jersey Collaborating Center for Nursing board established pursuant to this act.

The primary goals of the center shall be to:

a. develop a strategic plan for the continuing development of an adequate nursing workforce, in number and in education and training, to meet the needs of New Jersey residents by:

(1) collecting and analyzing information about and maintaining a database of the current and projected supply and demand of the nursing workforce, including home health aides, nursing assistants, unlicensed assistive personnel, registered nurses, practical nurses, advanced practice nurses and doctorally prepared faculty; and

(2) determining priorities to be addressed from the plan;

b. continue the collaborative approach originating from New Jersey Colleagues in Caring by convening representative groups of health care stakeholders to:

(1) review and comment on the data analysis conducted by the center;

(2) recommend systemic changes in the State's health care system, including strategies for the implementation of the changes; and

(3) disseminate the results of the reviews and recommendations to the Legislature, health care stakeholders and consumers;

c. acknowledge the valued contribution of the nursing work force to the health of the State by:

(1) promoting positive image-building efforts in nursing;

(2) supporting existing mechanisms for rewarding outstanding nurses; and

(3) reporting with evidence-based data the relationship of nursing care to the positive outcomes of the health of consumers;

d. provide consultation, technical assistance and information related to nursing resources within and outside of the State and serve as a clearinghouse for data related to nursing resources;

e. foster collaboration among members of the health care community to achieve policy consensus, promote diversity

and enhance the knowledge of nurses and others in health policy and health services research; and

f. seek competitive funding to support specific research endeavors or model programs to enhance the resources available in supporting innovative projects.

Effective: December 12, 2002

18A:65-91. Governing board

The New Jersey Collaborating Center for Nursing shall be governed by a 17- member board. A majority of the members first appointed to the board shall include nurse representatives from among the members of the New Jersey Colleagues in Caring collaborative.

a. The members shall be appointed as follows:

(1) four members appointed by the President of the Senate who include: one representative of acute care facilities recommended by the New Jersey Hospital Association; one representative of long-term care facilities recommended by the Health Care Association of New Jersey; one registered professional nurse recommended by the New Jersey State Nurses Association; and one representative of home health care agencies recommended by the Home Health Assembly of New Jersey;

(2) four members appointed by the Speaker of the General Assembly who include: one registered professional nurse recommended by the New Jersey State Nurses Association; one registered professional nurse recommended by the Organization of Nurse Executives--New Jersey; one representative of acute care facilities recommended by the New Jersey Council of Teaching Hospitals; and one licensed practical nurse recommended by the Licensed Practical Nurse Association of New Jersey; and

(3) nine members appointed by the Governor who include: one registered professional nurse recommended by the New Jersey State Nurses Association; one registered professional nurse recommended by the New Jersey League for Nursing; one health care facility staff nurse providing direct patient care, who is recommended by an organization that represents such nurses; two consumers of health care; one representative of baccalaureate and higher degree university nursing programs recommended by the Council of Baccalaureate and Higher Degree Programs; one representative of associate degree nursing programs recommended by the Council of Associate Degree programs; one representative of diploma nursing programs recommended by the Association of Diploma Schools of Professional Nursing; and one representative of practical nursing programs recommended by the Licensed Practical Nurses Education Council.

b. The term of office of each member shall be two years; except that, of the members first appointed, two members appointed by the Senate President shall serve for a term of one year and two for a term of two years; two members appointed by the Speaker of the General Assembly shall serve for a term of one year and two for a term of two years; and four members appointed by the Governor shall serve for a term of one year and five for a term of two years.

A member shall hold office for the term of his appointment and until his successor has been appointed and qualified. All vacancies shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment. A member of the board is eligible for reappointment, but no member shall serve for more than two consecutive terms.

c. The board shall meet at least quarterly and shall meet as soon as practical following the appointment of its members to choose, from among the members and by a majority vote of the members, a chairperson and such other officers as it deems appropriate. The chairperson and other officers shall serve in their elected office for a term of two years and may not succeed themselves in office.

d. Members shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for the reasonable travel and other out-of-pocket expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in a manner consistent with the policies and procedures

of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey.

Effective: December 12, 2002

18A:65-92. Powers and duties

The board shall:

- a. determine global policies for the center;
- b. implement the primary goals of the center as established in this act;
- c. appoint a multidisciplinary advisory council to provide input and advice on policy matters. The advisory council shall include representatives from all of the organizations represented in the collaborative of New Jersey Colleagues in Caring;
- d. appoint a full-time executive director who shall serve at the pleasure of the board and shall be a person qualified by training and experience to perform the duties of the office. The board shall authorize the executive director to employ such other staff as the executive director deems necessary and within the limits of funds available to the center. All policies and procedures concerning the hiring of center employees shall be the same as and consistent with the applicable policies and procedures of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey;
- e. apply for and accept grants of money available for carrying out the policies and activities of the center from the federal government, and accept gifts, grants and bequests of funds from individuals, foundations, corporations, governmental agencies and other organizations and institutions to carry out the purposes of this act; and
- f. submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature one year after the center is established, and every two years thereafter, on its activities and findings. The report may include such recommendations for legislative action as the board deems appropriate. The board shall make its annual report available to members of the public, upon request.

Effective: December 12, 2002

18A:65-93. Interim authority; New Jersey Colleagues in Caring

Until such time as the members of the board are appointed, the New Jersey Colleagues in Caring collaborative shall be responsible for establishing the center and implementing the purposes of this act.

Current through L.2006, c. 103 (End) and L.2007, c. 47 and J.R. No. 4.
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