## Authority

The Committee's authority comes from the Board of Trustees. The Committee is empowered to perform activities within the scope of its charter

## Membership

Each member shall be free of any relationship that would interfere with the exercise of his or her independent judgment as a member of the committee.

A majority of the Committee members, if not all, shall possess general accounting, business and financial knowledge, including the ability to read and understand fundamental financial statements. If possible the Committee will include at least one member who is an "accounting or financial expelt"; a person who has an understanding of generally accepted accounting principles and financial statements; the ability to assess the application of these principles in connection with accounting for estimates, accruals and reserves; and an understanding of committee functions; experience preparing financial statements, or experience actively supervising persons engaged in such activities. The person must have acquired these attributes through one or more of the following: education or experience activally doing these functions or similar ones; actively supervising someone who is performing these functions or similar ones; experience overseeing or assessing the performance of companies or public accountants who are preparing or evaluating financial statements; or other relevant experience.

- The Chair of the Board shall appoint each member.
- The Chair of the Board shall also appoint a Finance and Facilities Chair and Vice Chair.
- The term of the appointment is in Fac Bioiexdthe

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