



**STATUTES OF  
THE COPPERBELT UNIVERSITY**

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**STATUTE II**

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## **STATUTE II**

### **COUNCIL**

#### **1. Governance and Functions**

- (1) Subject to the Act, the Council shall be responsible for the governance, control and administration of the University, and shall at all times, act in the best interest of the University.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of subparagraph (1), the Council of the University may: -
  - (a) receive, on behalf of the University or constituent college or affiliated institution of the, University, gifts, donations, bequests, grants or other money and make disbursement there from to the University, constituent college or affiliated institution;
  - (b) provide for the welfare of the staff and students of the University;
  - (c) determine the salaries and other conditions of service of the staff of the University;
  - (d) appoint and suspend, dismiss or otherwise discipline persons in the employment of the University in accordance with the provisions of the Act and these Statutes;
  - (e) regulate and determine all matters concerning the University in accordance with the rules adopted in that behalf by the Council;
  - (f) administer funds placed at the disposal of the University for specific purposes;

- (g) determine the form of coat of arms for the University;
- (h) take into account and if the Council considers it proper so to do, give effect to or approve reports or recommendations from the Senate which the Senate is authorized or required by the Act to make;
- (i) implement the decisions of the Senate on those matters upon which Senate has authority under the Act;
- (j) determine the terms and conditions on which examiners shall be appointed by the Senate and the remuneration to be paid to the examiners;
- (k) determine after consultation with the Senate, the academic dress and insignia of the Chancellor, officers and graduates of the University;
- (l) call for, receive and consider reports from the Vice-Chancellor on the operation of the University;
- (m) enter into, vary, carry out or rescind contracts on behalf of the University;
- (n) determine and prescribe tuition and other fees on recommendation by Senate and they shall be subject to review periodically;
- (o) establish administrative or service sections or units of the University as it considers necessary; and

(p) do any other things which are necessary or conducive to the performance of its functions under the Act and the Statutes.

(3) The Council shall adopt a Council Charter which shall set out the principles by which the Council shall operate in accordance with good corporate governance and the law.

## **2. Composition**

(1) The Council shall consist of the following part-time members appointed by the Minister:-

- (a) a member of the academic staff of the University who is a member of the Senate and nominated by the Senate;
- (b) a representative of the Law Association of Zambia of not less than five years good standing at the bar;
- (c) one member who is associated with another higher education institution within Zambia;
- (d) a member who is a graduate of the University and who is not a member of staff of the University;
- (e) one member from the private sector;
- (f) a representative each from the Ministries responsible for higher education and finance;
- (g) an accountant with at least five years' experience; and
- (h) the Vice-Chancellor, as an *ex-officio* member.

- (2) The Council may exercise its powers notwithstanding any vacancy in its membership.
- (3) Members of the Council shall elect the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the Council from among themselves, except that the Chairperson shall not be elected from among the members who are officers in another higher education institution or is a public officer.
- (4) The Chairperson and the Vice-Chairperson of the Council shall hold office for a term of three years and shall be eligible for re-election for a further term of three years.
- (5) The Registrar of the University shall be the secretary of the Council.

### **3. Tenure of Office**

- (1) Subject to the Act, a member of the Council shall hold office for a term of three years but shall be eligible for re-appointment for a further like term.
- (2) Notwithstanding subparagraph (1), the office of a member of the Council becomes vacant: -
  - (a) upon the member's death;
  - (b) upon the member ceasing to be a representative of the office or body by virtue of which the person became a member;
  - (c) if the member is absent without reasonable excuse, from three consecutive meetings of the Council of which the member had notice;

