

UNIVERSITY OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION
ON SHARED GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK

To approve the UVI Shared Governance Framework

WHEREAS, VISION 2012 upholds shared governance and collegiality as core values of the University of the Virgin Islands (the University); and

WHEREAS, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education recommended that the University improve its adherence to standards 4 and 5 of the Commission of Higher Education; and

WHEREAS, the faculty, staff, students, and the administration of the University have worked and collaborated, over the past twenty-four months, to develop an approach to shared governance that is relevant to the University; and

WHEREAS, the faculty, staff, students, and the administration of the University have agreed on a revision of the Shared Governance Framework originally proposed by the administration that provides the structure for decision-making on broad University-wide policy initiatives; and

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2009, the Academic, Research and Student Affairs (ARSA) Committee of the Board of Trustees (the Board) approved the submission of the revised Shared Governance Framework to the Board for approval on condition that any amendment to the Framework subsequently recommended by the UVI Senate shall go to the President, through the Cabinet, for approval if the proposed amendment is organizational or informational in nature, or go to the Board for approval if the proposed amendment would affect a board policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD THAT:

1. The Shared Governance Framework recommended by the ARSA Committee is hereby approved.
2. Any amendment to the Framework subsequently recommended by the UVI Senate shall go to the President, through the Cabinet, for approval if the proposed amendment is organizational or informational in nature, or go to the Board for approval if the proposed amendment would affect a board policy.
3. The President of the University is authorized to take such action as is necessary to implement this resolution.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the University of the Virgin Islands at its meeting on Saturday, January 31, 2009, as recorded in the Minutes of that meeting.



Secretary of the Board

January 31, 2009

Date