

2.3 The institution has a chief executive officer whose primary responsibility is to the institution and who is not the presiding officer of the board. **(Chief Executive Officer)**

Article XI Section 2 of the Board *Bylaws* provides that the USC President reports to Board of Trustees and enumerates duties that clearly establish that the president is the executive officer whose primary responsibility is to the institution. Board minutes confirm that the current President was elected by the Board as the 28th President of the University of South Carolina effective August 1, 2008. Article V, Section 1 of the Board Bylaws provides that 'The *Ex Officio* Chairman of the Board shall be the Governor of South Carolina who, when present, shall preside at all meetings of the Board.' Article V, Section 2 of the Board Bylaws provides that "A permanent Chairman of the Board may be elected by written ballot from among those members of the Board elected by the General Assembly" and that 'The permanent Chairman of the Board, in the absence of the *Ex Officio* Chairman, shall preside at all meetings of the Board.'