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**Comprehensive Standard 3.2.12**

**The institution's chief executive officer controls the institution's fund-raising activities exclusive of institution-related foundations that are independent and separately incorporated.**

**Judgment:** Compliant

**Response:**

According to the [University of South Carolina Mission Statement](#), approved by the Board of Trustees,

The primary mission of the University of South Carolina is the education of the state's diverse citizens through teaching, research, creative activity, and service... The University of South Carolina provides all students with the highest-quality education, including the knowledge, skills, and values necessary for success and responsible citizenship in a complex and changing world, through engagement in nationally and internationally ranked research, scholarship, service, and artistic creation.

To support these institutional priorities, the University must continually work towards supporting this mission financially through fund-raising efforts.

[University Advancement Policy 1.06](#) describes the University's policies concerning fundraising and development. The attached manual describes in depth the policies and procedures followed by those who work in fundraising for the University of South Carolina.

The University of South Carolina [Board of Trustees By-laws](#) give the President ultimate control over the fiscal management of the University.

The President is directly responsible for the orderly management of fiscal and personnel affairs and the auxiliary enterprises of the University, and for the maintenance and development of its financial and physical resources. He has the power necessary to discharge this responsibility. His powers include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Recommend to the Board the mission, role and scope of the University System and of its respective campuses, and undertake comprehensive and long-range planning;
- Direct and approve the preparation of a coordinated request for both operating and capital appropriations, and direct the presentation of and justification for the request;
- Review and recommend to the Board the budgets of all components of the University System;
- Establish fiscal, budgetary, audit, and business procedures for the efficient and effective management of the University;
- Subject to the approval of the Board and within the budget limitations of the University, make such appointments to and grant such promotions in faculty or administrative staff of the University as may be appropriate, and terminate any appointments or employment, both in faculty or administrative staff, in keeping with the general and tenure (so far as applicable) policies as may be established by the Board, and duly report any action taken hereunder at the next succeeding regular or special meeting of the Board.

Moreover, in the [President's position description](#) includes the following qualifications:

The University seeks an individual of prominence with unquestioned integrity, high energy, vision, and demonstrated leadership and administrative ability. The successful candidate will possess the qualities to lead a complex system and to represent the system effectively to all internal and external constituencies. He or she will lead the University in achieving its ambitious goals for quality and excellence established by the Board of Trustees.

As outlined in the University of South Carolina [organizational structure](#) and the attached organizational structures of the Office of Development and Alumni Relations and the Carolina Alumni Association, the Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations and the Vice President for Communications, report directly to the President. As the heads of the University's advancement efforts, they oversee counsel and assistance to the University community and coordinate ways to procure and establish private gift support to help the University supplement state appropriations and other government grants and contracts.

The Board of Trustees has an Ad Hoc Committee on Development. [Minutes](#) of this committee can be found on the Board of Trustee's website.

**Supporting Documentation:**

Source	Location
<b>University Website</b>	
University Mission Statement	<a href="http://president.sc.edu/PresidentMission.php">http://president.sc.edu/PresidentMission.php</a>
University Advancement Policy 1.06	<a href="http://www.sc.edu/policies/adv106.pdf">http://www.sc.edu/policies/adv106.pdf</a>
President's Position Description	<a href="http://www.sc.edu/presidentalsearch/position.php">http://www.sc.edu/presidentalsearch/position.php</a>
University Organizational Structure	<a href="http://hr.sc.edu/USC_Summary_Org_Chart.pdf">http://hr.sc.edu/USC_Summary_Org_Chart.pdf</a>
<b>Board of Trustees Website</b>	

By-laws	<a href="http://trustees.sc.edu/bylaws.html">http://trustees.sc.edu/bylaws.html</a>
Meeting Minutes	<a href="http://trustees.sc.edu/minutes.html">http://trustees.sc.edu/minutes.html</a>

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