the Chancellor, must be a Certified Public Accountant or a Certified Internal Auditor. The Director is responsible for the System’s internal audit function and performs special studies and analysis of data as directed by the Board and/or as requested by the Chancellor. At least annually, the Board shall assess the Director’s effectiveness.

3.6 Director of Governmental Relations. The Director of Governmental Relations is an administrative officer of The Texas State University System who performs duties under the authority delegated by the Board of Regents through the Chancellor. The Director of Governmental Relations shall review, assist and advise with matters involving governmental entities, legislation, biennial appropriation requests, legislative presentations and public affairs.

3.7 Associate Vice Chancellor for Contract Administration. The Associate Vice Chancellor for Contract Administration is the administrative officer of The Texas State University System who is primarily responsible for contract management and administration of System and Component planning, construction, maintenance, and use of buildings and other physical facilities. He or she performs duties under authority delegated by the Board of Regents through the Chancellor.

3.8 Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. The Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs is the chief academic officer of The Texas State University System who performs duties under the authority delegated by the Board of Regents through the Chancellor. The Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs is responsible for providing system-wide leadership, assistance, and coordination among the system Components in maintenance, enhancement, and promotion of academic and research programs, in addition to performing the following specific duties: representing the System on academic matters before professional, grant-making, regulatory, and oversight bodies; encouraging an academic environment that serves the geographic, economic, and cultural diversity of the state; coordinating initiatives relating to content delivery utilizing various technologies; and generally enhancing the System’s teacher education mission.

4. OPERATIONS.

4.1 Employment.

4.11 Nepotism Rule. No individual may be employed in the System Administration who is related within the first degree of consanguinity to a member of the Board of Regents, or to an employee in the System Administration. The restrictions of Government Code, Chapter 573 shall govern the employment of any relative of a member of the Board of Regents. This rule is not retroactive.

4.12 Retirement Programs. The Board of Regents authorizes the System Administration to make retirement programs available to