2.3 Administrative Structure

Iowa State University of Science and Technology is one of five institutions governed by the Board of Regents, State of Iowa, http://www2.state.ia.us/regents/index.html. The other institutions are the University of Iowa, the University of Iowa, the University of Northern Iowa, the Iowa School for the Deaf, and the Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School. The Board of Regents consists of nine members appointed by the Governor with the approval of the Senate. The term of office is six years, with the terms of three members expiring on May 1 of each odd-numbered year. The Board of Regents Office is located in Urbandale, Iowa.

Iowa State University of Science and Technology is the official name of the university. Iowa State University (ISU) is the more commonly used name except where the official name may be required on certain documents. The university is not incorporated, and when a statement of the nature of the university is required, it should be described as "an agency of the State of Iowa."

The president is the principal administrative officer of the university and is directly responsible to the Board of Regents for the operation of the university. The president is responsible for the administration of university affairs. The president issues diplomas conferring degrees upon the recommendation of the Faculty Senate acting on behalf of the General Faculty and by authority of the Board of Regents. The president is directly responsible for recommending the appointment of administrative officers who carry university-wide responsibility (http://www.president.iastate.edu).

The executive vice president and provost is the chief academic officer, responsible for all aspects of the university's academic mission. These include strategic planning, capital planning and budget, issues of diversity and equity, the recruitment and retention of faculty, staff, and students, and the implementation of academic program policies (http://www.provost.iastate.edu/). The provost coordinates and administers the academic, outreach, and research programs and the personnel policies of the university.

The vice president for business and finance manages is responsible for the fiscal operation of the university. The vice president for business and finance is also responsible for the and general supervision of all business operations of all university activities (http://www.vpbf.iastate.edu/).

The vice president for student affairs coordinates all non-academic student services, including recruiting, orientation, registration, housing, and financial aid, and promotes student organizations, government, and recreational activities (http://www.studentaffairs.iastate.edu/).

The vice president for research and economic development promotes research at the university and furthers economic development through the transfer of research discoveries to the private sector (http://www.vpresearch.iastate.edu/).

The vice president for extension and outreach serves as the director of ISU Extension <u>and works closely</u> with the provost, the vice president for research and economic development, and the deans to integrate teaching and research with the university's extension and outreach programs (http://www.extension.iastate.edu/).