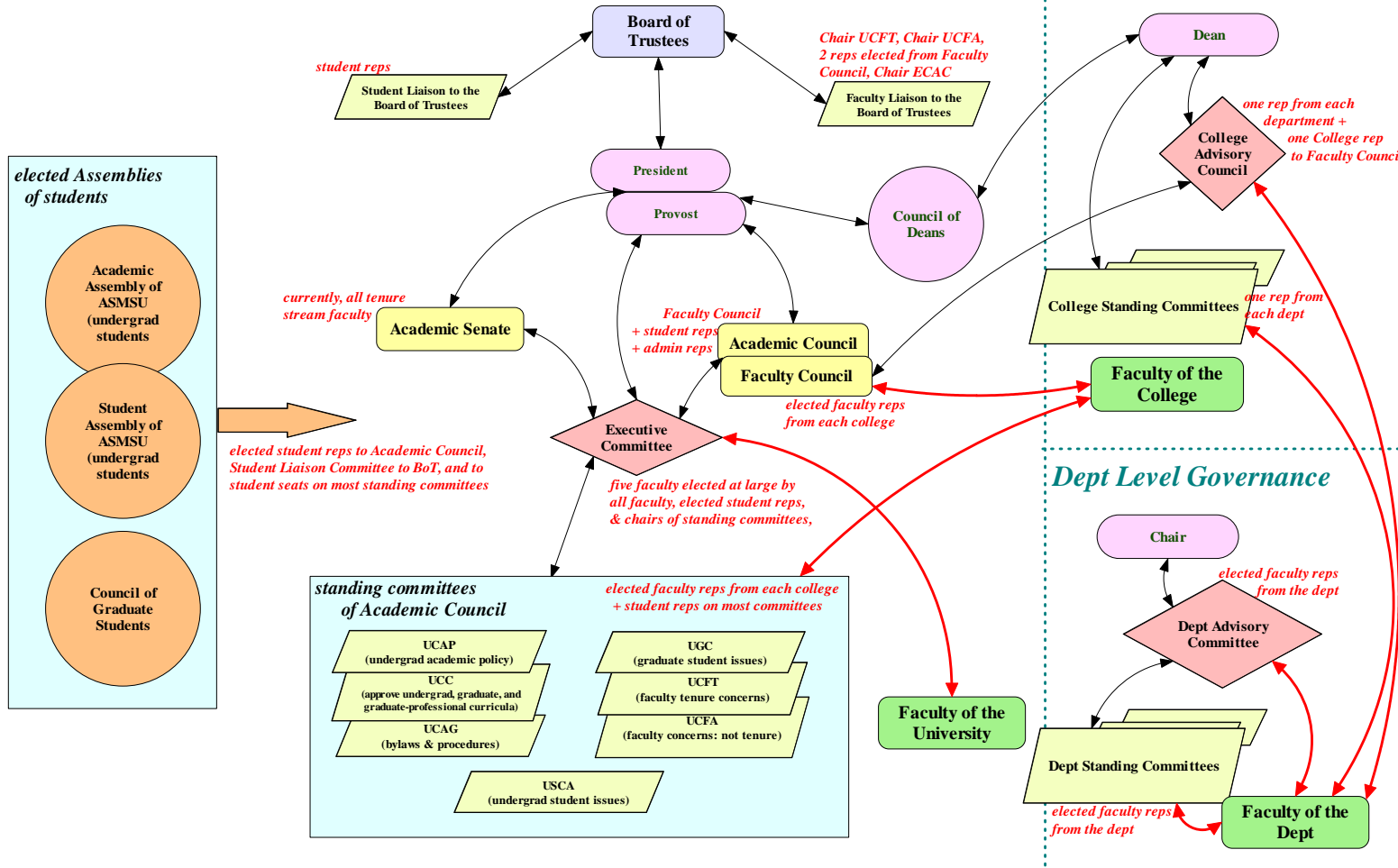


University Level Governance (in part)



The MSU **Board of Trustees** is constitutionally charged with management of the University. You and all other voting citizens in Michigan have an opportunity to cast your ballot for Board of Trustee members.

Faculty Council is composed of representatives elected directly by ballot from each of the colleges. Faculty Council approves recommendations regarding Faculty Rights and Responsibilities, and Grievance Procedures. The Council acts in an advisory capacity on many other issues.

Each College has a college-level committee chosen from members in each department of the college. This is called the **College Advisory Council (CAC)**. Each CAC includes one ex-officio member who is also one of the college representatives to **Faculty Council**.

Academic Council is composed of all members of **Faculty Council** plus representatives of student governance and representatives of the administration. Academic Council acts on matters brought before it by ECAC, the President or Provost. The Council also participates in all major issues related to educational policy. Currently, Academic Council also receives and approves the report of UCC.

Faculty should know...

- your dept reps on your dept Advisory Committee and standing committees
- your dept reps on your college CAC and college standing committees
- your college reps on Faculty Council and on University standing committees
- the At Large faculty reps to the Exec Committee
- the members of the Faculty/BoT Liaison Committee

Academic Senate is currently composed of all tenure-stream faculty. Its core purpose is to express the consensus of the Faculty on actions referred by Faculty Council and/or Academic Council. It also serves as a forum for dissemination and exchange of ideas and information.

The **Executive Committee of Academic Council (ECAC)** is the “steering committee” of the MSU governance system, ensuring that issues are brought before the most relevant standing committees. ECAC also responds to faculty or students who wish to bring issues into the governance system.