Goal:

The goal of the National Board of Overseers (NBO) is to secure involvement of individuals who can assist in the advancement of Providence College. Overarching objectives include:

- To serve as a resource to the President, Board of Trustees, and Senior Administration of the College on matters related to strategic planning, admission, philanthropy, and other operational initiatives.

- To furnish an avenue through which its members become familiar with the College’s progress and challenges and thus be better able to assist in Providence College’s growth and development.

- To build a network of supporters who may be helpful in identifying and providing resources for Providence College.

Focus:

The NBO will play a critical role in helping the College achieve its strategic vision on an admission, philanthropic, and academic level, while also assisting to increase awareness of the College nationally. A special focus of the NBO will be Admission. As the College faces declining student yields and demographic changes in the Northeast, initiatives have been developed to target several new markets to increase presence and recruiting impact. Specific NBO activities include:

- Participate in the launch of a strategic admission pilot program where targeted parts of the country will serve as test markets for more aggressive recruitment and outreach efforts. The NBO will become a key resource for tapping into new markets and positioning the College.

- Help with a grassroots ambassador effort to engage the high school counseling community, assist in outreach to parents and potential students, provide alumni representation at college fairs, host receptions, etc.

- Assist with Career Services objectives by providing a continuum of opportunities for students including shadowing, internships, career counseling, and networking. A robust Career Services program allows the College to better compete for students across the country.
Membership:

- The Board shall be comprised of members who meet the overall membership criteria and shall have between 40-50 members in a given year.

- Members will serve a three-year, renewable term.

- The Board strives to maintain balance within its membership. Gender, race, age, class year, and geography will be considered in recruiting members. Individuals with unique or critical skill sets that would be valuable to the mission of the College will be targeted, i.e. business, science, law, education, non-profits, etc. Up and coming Dominicans can be asked to serve with this group to prepare them for service on the full Board.

- The Board will establish sub-committees as needed and membership on a minimum of one committee is strongly encouraged for all members.

Board Meetings:

- The Board will meet a total of two times per year (fall and spring), to coincide with large-scale Providence College events.