

# The Council of the Princeton University Community CPUC



## Origins: 1968

May 1968: President Robert F. Goheen '40 announces “a fresh and searching review of the decision-making processes of the University.”

June 1968: A faculty-student Special Committee on the Structure of the University, chaired by politics Professor Stanley Kelley, begins meeting.



## Origins: 1969-1970

May 1969: The Kelley Committee proposes the creation of a Council of the Princeton University Community (CPUC) composed of faculty, undergraduates, graduate students, alumni, administrators, and staff.

October 1969: The CPUC holds its first meeting.

April 1970: The Kelley Committee issues its final report.



## A Deliberate, Consultative Body

The Council is a deliberative and consultative body with authority to “consider and investigate any question of University policy, any aspect of the governing of the University, and any general issue related to the welfare of the University” and to “make recommendations regarding any such matters to the appropriate decision-making bodies ... or to the appropriate officers of the University.”



# A Conference of Representatives

The Kelley Committee described it as “a permanent conference of the representatives of all major groups of the University” where “they could each raise problems that concern them and ... be exposed to each other’s views.”



# Committees

The Kelley Committee also proposed a number of standing committees, including a committee to advise on the University's operating budget (Priorities), the procurement and management of the University's financial resources (Resources), rules governing campus conduct (Rights and Rules), and matters relating to the governing of the University (Governance). Members of the Governance committee also serve on the Trustee Committee on Honorary Degrees.

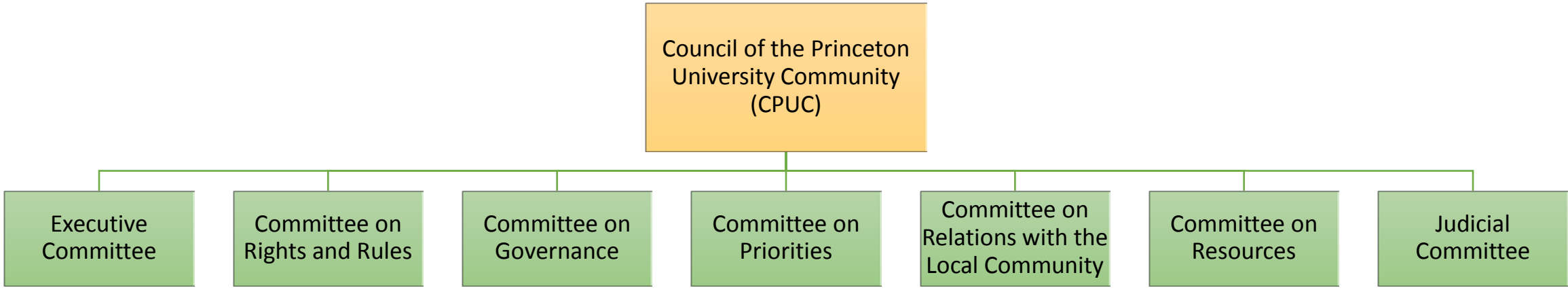


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The Kelley Committee also proposed an executive committee, charged primarily with setting agendas for Council meetings and appointing members of Council committees, and a Judicial Committee.

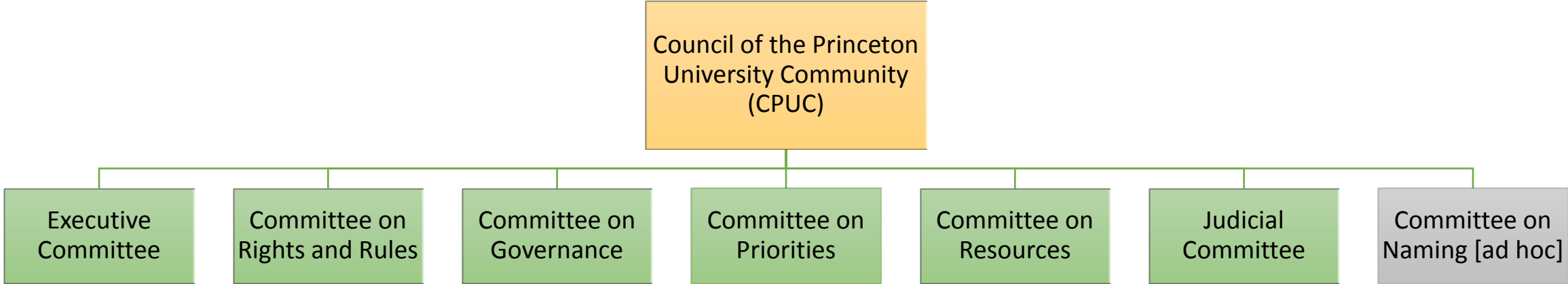


# Structure of the CPUC at Inception





# Structure of the CPUC Today



# Composition

The CPUC consists of six officers of the University, including the President and the Provost; 15 faculty members; 12 undergraduates; 7 graduate students; 4 alumni; and 7 staff members. [51 members]

The President presides at meetings of the Council and the Provost chairs the Executive Committee.

The Council meets 6 times a year.



# Questions?

The charter of the CPUC and other information about the Council and its committees can be found at

<https://cpuc.princeton.edu/>.

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