



## BOARD POLICY

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**TITLE: COLLEGE GOVERNANCE**

**BOARD POLICY # 2510**

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Umpqua Community College's governance system provides the means for faculty, staff, students, and administration to participate equitably and collegially in decision-making that supports the College's vision, mission, values, strategic direction, and core themes.

- A. By Oregon statute, authority to govern Umpqua Community College is vested in the Board of Education, which is responsible for establishing policies by which the College will be administered. The Board, in turn, delegates authority for the general operations, supervision, and control of the College to the College President. The president, to achieve College ends, delegates authority to College administration and to the College governance system, while retaining final authority over both.
- B. The focus of the governance system is at the institutional planning and policy level, not the operational or implementation level, which are the responsibility of administrators. All campus governance groups are advisory; final authority lies with the College President and/or the Board of Education.
- C. The College President is responsible for developing and sustaining the governance system and is responsible to the Board of Education for the governance system.
- D. Except for unforeseeable emergency situations, the Board of Education shall not take any action on matters subject to this policy until the appropriate constituent group or groups have been provided the opportunity to participate.
- E. Any duty imposed upon the Board of Education as a body shall be performed at a regular or special meeting and shall be made a matter of record.
- F. Pursuant to Oregon law, authority to act lies in the Board of Education and not in individual Board members. The consent to any particular measure obtained from individual Board of Education members when the Board of Education is not in session shall not be an act of the Board of Education and shall not be binding upon the district.

**REFERENCES:**

NWCCU Standards 2.A.4 *(updated 3/18/2021)*

**RESPONSIBILITY:**

The College President is responsible for implementing and updating this policy. Specific guidance for policy implementation may be found in the associated Administrative Procedure(s).

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