

Presidents' Council Purpose Statement

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What is the purpose of Presidents' Council?

Presidents' Council makes policy recommendations to the Board of Education. The Council coordinates college-wide planning and communication ensuring the opportunity for staff to provide input/review of institutional policies, activities, budgeting and performance.

The council understands that its recommendations must focus on the preservation of the college in the pursuit of its mission and must take priority over individual concerns while safeguarding the rights and dignity of staff and students.

~~provides final oversight initial and final review of institutional policies, activities, planning, budgeting, and performance; and it ensures communication across the college community.~~

What does Presidents' Council Do?

Presidents' Council acts as a central clearinghouse for information regarding major decisions made at the college. Its primary purposes are to ensure that:

- Important decisions are consistent with the college mission, vision, values and ethics.
- All staff are moving forward in the same direction.
- The President's Office, employee groups (classified, exempt, faculty and part-time faculty) and the students (Clackamas Community College Associated Student Government or ASG) have a common understanding of what major decisions are being made and why.
- Everyone who needs to be involved in a particular decision-making process is involved.
- Serves as a sounding board for the college president.

What does Presidents' Council Deliberate?

1. **Reviews and provides feedback on information via the college president of issues and actions external to the college operations that affect the college.**

Examples include:

- Legislature
- Oregon Community College Association
- Oregon Presidents' Council
- State Board of Education
- Clackamas Community College Board of Education

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- College partnerships with outside agencies or educational institutions
- Community Constituents

2. Provides initial feedback and final review of proposed recommendations and changes to:

A. Instructional and Support Services:

- New Programs
- Review of instructional outcomes and needs

B. The development of and changes made to the college's:

- Funding Forecast (formerly known as Strategic Financial Plan)
- Strategic Priorities
- Organizational structure and operations
- Board policies and administrative regulations

C. Major initiatives affecting the financial position of the college:

- Bond Campaigns
- Budget Operations

Presidents' Council determines the overall direction of major college events.

Examples include:

- In-service program
- Accreditation
- Staff Recognition

Presidents' Council Membership

Presidents' Council is open for any employee who wishes to attend. In order to meet the purpose of the council the following attendance is required:

College President, Vice-Presidents, Dean of College Advancement, Dean of Human Resources, Director of Public Relations, Chair of College Council, Classified President, Faculty President, Part-time Faculty President, and Associated Student Government President, Exempt Representative.