

What is the purpose of Presidents' Council?

Presidents' Council makes policy recommendations to the Board of Education and approves all Administrative Regulations. The Council also coordinates college-wide planning and communication, sets goals and strategic priorities, and advises the executive team on the proposed budget. Presidents' Council provides the opportunity for staff and student involvement in the development and review of institutional policies, activities, budgets, and performance.

The Council understands that its recommendations are in the service of the college's mission and that mission must take priority over individual concerns. Presidents' Council shares in the responsibility with the community at large to safeguard the rights and dignity of students and staff.

Guiding Principles of Presidents' Council

Presidents' Council embodies core values of shared governance, which is understood as student and staff involvement in decision making in a climate of mutual trust and respect. The Council's Guiding Principles include

Consensus: When making decisions and recommendations, we seek broad agreement on specific issues and the overall direction of the college in service to its mission.

Transparency: When we make decisions or recommendations, we have a common understanding and ability to articulate and explain what decisions have been made, and the decision process.

Answerability: As the stewards of communication, we have a shared responsibility for explanation, discussion, and implementation of decisions and recommendations among constituent groups and across the college.

Engagement: We encourage engagement across the college.

Presidents' Council Responsibilities

- 1.** Make recommendations to the president and board of education on matters that affect all constituencies, and any matters central to the college's mission. These include, but are not limited to, Board Policies.
- 2.** Review and approve all Administrative Regulations.

3. Review and provide feedback on issues and actions external to the college that affect the institution.

Sources may include:

- Legislature
- Oregon Community College Association
- Oregon Presidents' Council
- State Board of Education
- Oregon Education Investment Board or Higher Education Coordinating Commission
- Community Colleges and Workforce Development
- Clackamas Community College Board of Education
- College partnerships with outside agencies or educational institutions
- Community constituents
- Other external organizations that represent the interests of the campus community

4. Provide 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

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

- Bond Campaigns
- Budget Operations

5. Act as the college's state Achievement Compact Advisory Committee

6. Determine the overall direction of major staff recognition and other special events.

Presidents' Council Membership

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, Public Information Officer, Chair of College Council, Classified President, Faculty President, Part-time Faculty President, Associated Student Government President, and Administrative/Supervisory/Confidential Representative.

Presidents' Council meetings are open for any employee who wishes to attend.