

2F Standards of Good Practice *(Added October 4, 2007)*

2F1 In support of effective community college governance, the Board believes that:

- It derives its authority from the community and that it must always act as an advocate on behalf of the entire community;
- It must clearly define and articulate its role;
- It is responsible for creating and maintaining a spirit of true cooperation and a mutually supportive relationship with its CEO;
- It always strives to differentiate between external and internal processes in the exercise of its authority;
- Its Trustee members should engage in a regular and ongoing process of in-service training and continuous improvement;
- Its Trustee members come to each meeting prepared and ready to debate issues fully and openly;
- Its Trustee members vote their conscience and support the decision or policy made;
- Its behavior, and that of its members exemplify ethical behavior and conduct that is above reproach;
- It endeavors to remain always accountable to the community; and
- It honestly debates the issues affecting its community and speaks with one (1) voice once a decision or policy is made.