

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
Policy and Governance Committee Charter

I. Background

The State Board of Community Colleges (State Board) derives its authority from Chapter 115D of the North Carolina General Statutes and the State Board of Community Colleges Code (the Code). The actions, policies, and rules of the State Board are codified and enforced in the Code.

The State Board Policy and Governance Committee was established on August 15, 2019. Prior to that, the business of this committee was overseen by the Policy Committee.

II. Purpose

The purpose of the Policy and Governance Committee is to recommend policies for the State Board to adopt on behalf of the Community College System (NCCCS) that comply with N.C. General Statutes, to regulate certain issues related to community colleges, and to recommend improvements in the governance and operations of the State Board.

III. Organization

The Policy and Governance Committee shall be a standing committee of the State Board. Per Article II of the Bylaws of the State Board, the Chair of the State Board shall appoint the membership, designate the chair and vice-chair, and determine the size of the committee. The membership of the committee may be rotated at the discretion of the Chair of the State Board.

IV. Meetings

Per G.S. 115 D 2.2(i) The State Board of Community Colleges shall meet at stated times established by the State Board, but not less frequently than 10 times a year. The Policy and Governance Committee shall meet on the same schedule as the other standing committees, or as needed, but no less than four times a year, determined by the State Board.

V. Responsibilities

The responsibilities of the Committee include:

- To review and recommend SBCC Code changes;
- To review, recommend, and evaluate the need for System-wide policy modifications;
- To review the Proprietary School Board actions and provide recommendations;
- To ensure that appropriate information to make well-informed decisions is received at the State Board and each of its committees;
- To report to the State Board on an on-going basis;
- To periodically review and recommend modifications to the Bylaws of the State Board;
- To consider measures that make the State Board operate more efficiently and effectively; and
- To study, review, and report on regulatory changes by government and accreditation bodies that impact the Community College System and make recommendations to the Board on actions to be taken.

The Committee may modify or supplement these responsibilities as needed.

The Committee will have oversight of the relevant elements of the strategic plan and the annual operating plan.

The Committee should annually review and assess the adequacy of the Policy and Governance Committee Charter in accordance with the Bylaws.