

BY-LAWS

POLICY TYPE: GOVERNANCE PROCESS

POLICY TITLE: BY-LAWS OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT 19

The Board of Trustees of Community College District 19, under the authority vested in said Board by the Laws of the State of Washington, hereby adopt the following By-Laws.

Article II MEETINGS

Section 1. *Place of Meeting.* The Board of Trustees shall hold at least one regular meeting each month, unless dispensed with by the Board of Trustees, and such special meetings or study sessions as may be requested by the Chair of the Board or by a majority of the members of the Board.

Section 2. *Regular Meetings.* All regular meetings, special meetings, and study sessions of the Board of Trustees shall be publicly announced at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. The announcement shall contain the time, date, and location of the meeting. The meeting shall be open to the general public.

Section 3. *Official Business.* No official business shall be acted upon by the Board of Trustees except during a regular or special meeting held at a pre-announced time and place.

Section 4. *Materials for Board Meeting.* Information and materials pertinent to the agenda of all regular meetings of the Board shall be sent to Trustees via email on the Wednesday prior to each meeting. Any matter of business or correspondence must be received by the Secretary of the Board by 12 noon six days before the meeting in order to be included on the agenda. The Chair or Secretary may, however, present a matter of urgent business received too late for inclusion on the agenda if, in his/her judgment, the matter is of an emergency nature.

Section 5. *Distribution of Board Materials.* All materials to be considered by the Board must be submitted in sufficient quantities to provide each member of the Board and the Secretary with appropriate copies.

Section 6. *Special Meeting Agenda.* The agenda of a special meeting will be determined at the time of the official call of such meeting. No other business shall be transacted or official action taken, other than the purpose, or purposes for which the special meeting was called.

Section 7. *Consent Agenda.* All items that are within the President's prerogative as set forth in Board Policy BSL-3:2, but require Board approval by RCW and/or WAC codes, shall be placed on a Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda shall be voted upon without discussion. However, any member of the Board may request the removal of any item on the Consent Agenda for discussion at the next meeting of the Board.

Section 8. Agenda – Public Comments. The agenda of each meeting shall include an item titled Public Comments to permit members of the audience to express their concerns to the Board. The length of time allotted to each speaker under this item shall be limited to three (3) minutes unless extended by majority vote of the Board.

Section 9. Agenda – Work Session. The agenda of each meeting may include an item titled Trustee Work Session to permit informal dialogue among the members of the Board.