North Orange County Community College District **BOARD POLICY**

Chapter 1
The District

BP 1002 Philosophy

Reference:

Title 5 Sections 51023.5, 51023.7, 53200, and 53203; Education Code Section 70902(b)(7); ACCJC Accreditation Standard 1 and 4

- 1.0 The faculty, staff, administration, and Board of Trustees will strive to fulfill the mission adopted by the State of California for community colleges, effectively manage the resources provided by the taxpayers, and build mutually-beneficial partnerships with the community, business and industry, and elected officials at the local, state, and national level.
- 2.0 The District is committed to a broad range of educational opportunities, along with support services that will enable students to attain their academic and personal goals. The Board of Trustees, faculty, staff, and administrators have the responsibility to provide and support educational offerings of the highest quality and value to students and to the community.
 - 2.1 The District will ensure that curriculum is current and relevant, and employ well-qualified faculty and staff.
 - 2.2 Achieving, respecting and embracing diversity within the student body, faculty, and staff will be of primary importance.
 - 2.3 The District adheres to principles codified in the Education Code concerning participatory governance, which is a governance process that honors the value of all opinions while preserving the ultimate decision-making responsibility of the governing board.
 - 2.4 Consistent with Title 5, the Board of Trustees assures the right of staff and students to participate effectively in the governance process and acknowledges the Board's responsibility to consult collegially with the Academic/Faculty Senates on academic and professional matters. An agreement between the Board and the Academic/Faculty Senates appears in Administrative Procedure 2510, Participation in Local Decision-making.
 - 2.5 Resources and programs will be provided to support staff and professional development through special learning opportunities, sabbatical leaves, conferences and workshops.

See Administrative Procedure 2510, Participation in Local Decision-making.

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