In accordance with the provisions and limitations of the Education Code, the student member of the board of trustees shall be elected by the students enrolled in the MiraCosta Community College District, and that person shall be designated as the student trustee. Normally, an election will be held in the spring semester so that the office is filled by June 1 of each year for a one-year term. The election process and term of service shall be clearly stated in the constitution and bylaws of the Associated Student Government of MiraCosta College.

The student trustee has the same general responsibilities as all trustees to represent the interests of the entire community; however, they also provide a student perspective on the issues facing the board. Student votes are advisory and nonbinding.

The student trustee is expected to attend all board meetings, interact regularly with college officials, maintain regular contact with the Associated Student Government, and attend statewide meetings as necessary.

The student trustee has the right to:

- A. Attend all meetings of the board of trustees, with the exception of closed sessions.
- B. Participate in discussions, ask questions, and be seated with the board. As an official member of the board, the student trustee is entitled to receive materials furnished to regular board members with the exception of materials related to closed sessions.
- C. Be reimbursed for mileage to the same extent and under the same policies as other board members.
- D. Cast an advisory opinion, which will be reported in the official minutes. This advisory vote will not count in determining if an item passes.

The board of trustees will review procedures outlining the privileges, compensation, and travel arrangements accorded to the student trustee by May 15 of each year. Such procedures will be effective June 1 to May 31 of each year and shall be contained in Administrative Procedures 2015.

The superintendent/president, or their appointed designee, shall act as the mentor to the student trustee. Training for new student trustees will be conducted as outlined in Administrative Procedure 2740, Board Education.

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