Academic Affairs DRAFT as of 4/10/13

AP 4220 STANDARDS OF SCHOLARSHIP – DELEGATION

Reference:

Education Code Section 70902(d)

Delete this procedure as optional and unnecessary

NOTE: This procedure is **optional**. This procedure is included to identify the designated authorities and processes for the other Administrative Procedures and documents related to standards of scholarship. Local practice may be inserted.

Matters identified by Title 5 as standards of scholarship are grading practices, creditnoncredit options, credit by examination, standards for probation and dismissal, remedial course work, academic record symbols, grade changes, course repetition, and academic renewal. Authority and responsibility is delegated to the chief instructional or academic officer and the Academic Senate as described in the policies and procedures on participation in local decision-making.

NOTE: The **red ink** signifies language that is **suggested as good practice** by the Policy and Procedure Service and its legal counsel. This document was reviewed by the administrative team on April 10, 2013. This document was reviewed by representatives of the Academic Senates on December 12, 2013.

Date Approved:

(This is a new procedure recommended by the Policy and Procedure Service)

Legal Citation for AP 4220

EDUCATION CODE SECTION 70902(d)

70902. (a) (1) Every community college district shall be under the control of a board of trustees, which is referred to herein as the "governing board." The governing board of each community college district shall establish, maintain, operate, and govern one or more community colleges in accordance with law. In so doing, the governing board may initiate and carry on any program or activity, or may otherwise act, in any manner that is not in conflict with, inconsistent with, or preempted by, any law, and that is not in conflict with the purposes for which community college districts are established.

(2) The governing board of each community college district shall establish rules and regulations not inconsistent with the regulations of the board of governors and the laws of this state for the government and operation of one or more community colleges in the district.

(b) In furtherance of subdivision (a), the governing board of each community college district shall do all of the following:

(1) Establish policies for, and approve, current and long-range academic and facilities plans and programs, and promote orderly growth and development of the community colleges within the district. In so doing, the governing board shall, as required by law, establish policies for, develop, and approve, comprehensive plans. The governing board shall submit the comprehensive plans to the board of governors for review and approval.

(2) (A) Establish policies for and approve credit courses of instruction and educational programs. The educational programs shall be submitted to the board of governors for approval. A credit course of instruction that is not offered in an approved educational program may be offered without the approval of the board of governors only under conditions authorized by regulations adopted by the board of governors.

(B) The governing board shall establish policies for, and approve, individual courses that are offered in approved educational programs, without referral to the board of governors.

(3) Establish academic standards, probation, dismissal, and readmission policies, and graduation requirements not inconsistent with the minimum standards adopted by the board of governors.

(4) Employ and assign all personnel not inconsistent with the minimum standards adopted by the board of governors, and establish employment practices, salaries, and benefits for all employees not inconsistent with the laws of this state.

(5) To the extent authorized by law, determine and control the district's operational and capital outlay budgets. The district governing board shall determine the need for elections for override tax levies and bond measures, and request that those elections be called.

(6) Manage and control district property. The governing board may contract for the procurement of goods and services as authorized by law.

(7) Establish procedures not inconsistent with minimum standards established by the board of governors to ensure faculty, staff, and students the opportunity to express their opinions at the campus level, to ensure that these opinions are given every reasonable consideration, to ensure the right to participate effectively in district and college governance, and to ensure the right of academic senates to assume primary responsibility for making recommendations in the areas of curriculum and academic standards.

(8) Establish rules and regulations governing student conduct.

(9) Establish student fees as it is required to establish by law,

and, in its discretion, fees as it is authorized to establish by law. (10) In its discretion, receive and administer gifts, grants, and scholarships.

(11) Provide auxiliary services as deemed necessary to achieve the purposes of the community college.

(12) Within the framework provided by law, determine the district's academic calendar, including the holidays it will observe.

(13) Hold and convey property for the use and benefit of the district. The governing board may acquire, by eminent domain, any property necessary to carry out the powers or functions of the district.

(14) Participate in the consultation process established by the board of governors for the development and review of policy proposals.

(c) In carrying out the powers and duties specified in subdivision (b) or other provisions of statute, the governing board of each community college district shall have full authority to adopt rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the regulations of the board of governors and the laws of this state, that are necessary and proper to executing these prescribed functions.

(d) Wherever in this section or any other statute a power is vested in the governing board, the governing board of a community college district, by majority vote, may adopt a rule delegating the power to the district's chief executive officer or any other employee or committee as the governing board may designate. However, the governing board shall not delegate any power that is expressly made nondelegable by statute. Any rule delegating authority shall prescribe the limits of the delegation.

(e) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2014, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2014, deletes or extends that date.