BP 2015 ELECTION OF STUDENT MEMBER

In addition to the five elected trustees described in BP 2010 titled Board Membership and BP 2100 titled Board Elections, the Board shall include one non-voting (advisory vote only) student trustee as described in BP 2015 titled Student Member.

The student member shall be chosen by the students enrolled in the District as follows:

The student trustee shall be elected by the student body of Allan Hancock College during the regular election of officers of the Associated Student Body Government (ASBG). Normally, an election will be held in the spring semester so that the office is filled by June 1. If the position is unfilled following the regular ASBG election, a student trustee may be appointed at the beginning of the fall semester by the ASBG board of directors.

The student member may be recalled by all the students of the student body in an election held for that purpose in accordance with administrative procedures established by the Superintendent/President.

Special elections shall be held if the office becomes vacant by reason of the resignation, recall, or disqualification of an elected student member, or by any other reasons. Special elections shall be held within 30 days after notice of the vacancy comes to the attention of the Superintendent/President.

Candidates for the position may nominate themselves or be nominated by others by the filing of an application certifying that the candidate is eligible for service under the criteria set forth in California law and these policies. The election will be conducted in accordance with administrative procedures established by the Superintendent/President.

The student trustee shall be a member of the executive board of the ASBG, and shall, in the absence of the president of the ASBG from the Board meeting, convey any recommendations of the ASBG. The student trustee shall not be an advocate for specific student issues or single interests but shall provide his/her perspective to ensure students of the future are served well. Throughout the term of office, he/she must be enrolled in at least five semester units and maintain at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA. (pursuant to Education Code Section 72023.5) The student member of the Board is entitled to a $250
book voucher and mileage allowance as prescribed by the Education Code Section 72123 to the same extent as regular members.

The term of the office of the student trustee shall be one year commencing on June 1 of each calendar year and ending on the May 31 following. Should a mid-term vacancy occur, the ASBG shall fill the vacancy in accordance with the ASBG constitution for filling vacant offices. The student selected will serve in that capacity for the remainder of the term expiring on the May 31 following. The student trustee shall be limited to one elected term of office. However, a student could serve more than one term if selected and appointed to serve the unexpired term of an elected student trustee who left office prior to the end of his/her term.

The Board of Trustees hereby implements the specific provisions of the Education Code Section 72023.5 as prescribed above.


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(Replaces a portion of the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Trustees)
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The student member shall be elected by a plurality vote of those voting in a regular election of the student body. All members of the student body may vote. Normally, the election will be conducted during the spring semester and will be completed in time for the student member to take office on June 1.

The student member may be recalled in an election conducted in the same manner as the election to office. An election will be called upon presentation to the Superintendent/President of a petition signed by at least 20 percent of the students enrolled at the time of filing the petition. No recall election will be held if the petition is received within 30 days of a regularly scheduled election for student member.

The office shall become vacant if the student member becomes ineligible for the office, resigns, is recalled, or dies. Upon notice to the Superintendent/President that a vacancy has occurred, the Superintendent/President or designee shall arrange for a special election that provides for:

- Notice communicated to the student body of the result of the recall election, if the vacancy has occurred as the result of a recall election, and arrangements for a special election;
- An application period for students to submit an application to become a candidate for the open position that will be open for at least 10 days on which classes are regularly held;
- Following such application period, a period of time no less than 10 days upon which classes are regularly held for campaigning, and;
- Voting for the special election to be concluded within 30 days following the date upon which the position became vacant.

No special election will be called if the vacancy occurs within 90 days of a regularly scheduled election for student member.

References:  Education Code Section 72023.5

Approved:  4/21/15

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