

**THREE RIVERS COLLEGE
BOARD POLICY**

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Associated Regulation:	
References: MO. Rev. St. Sec.178.860, 178.881, 08/28/08	
Supersedes: NA	
Responsible Administrator: College President	
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Roles of members of the board of trustees include the following:

1. To give the college president full authority commensurate with his/her administrative responsibility to serve as the chief executive officer and to exercise administrative oversight for the day-to-day operations of all college operations;
2. To hold the college president responsible for the implementation of board policies;
3. To recognize that it is the responsibility of the board of trustees to see that the college is properly administered, not to administer it;
4. To vote on board matters only after considering the recommendation of the college president and suggestions and opinion from any interested citizens;
5. To maintain a cooperative working relationship with other members of the board and the college president;
6. To respect and encourage the rights of others to hold and express diverse opinions;
7. To support the board once a legal decision has been made by a majority vote;
8. To avoid inappropriate or disparaging remarks, in or out of board meetings, about other trustees or their opinions;
9. To recognize that authority rests with the board in legal session and that no individual trustee has legal authority to request action from the employees of the college;
10. To avoid any comments which may be interpreted as undermining the administration of the college; and

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11. To assure that special board committees, when appointed, have a well-defined objective and that there is an understanding that the committee serves in an advisory capacity only.

Functions of the Board of Trustees include the following:

1. To govern the affairs of the college as provided by law;
2. To discover and interpret the educational needs, and interests throughout the college community as a guide to developing and setting priorities for educational programming;
3. To exercise judgment in reviewing, considering, and voting on district-wide policies affecting the operation of the college;
4. To oversee the college as provided by law and to review, evaluate and judge the effectiveness of the educational programming;
5. To call for necessary elections;
6. To organize the board of trustees and elect officers;
7. To grant the appointment of employees and the related compensation of;
8. To adopt a tax rate in accordance with law;
9. To require and evaluate financial audits;
10. To acquire and or sell property on behalf of the college;
11. To establish scholarships and other forms of financial assistance;

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12. To require and evaluate operational reports;
13. To approve contracts;
14. To establish committees as necessary;
15. To establish and abide by board policies; and
16. To hear final appeals of students, employees and/or citizens on issues where the board is the final arbiter as defined in college policies and procedures.

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