

POLICY ITEM – FIRST READING NO.

Approval of Amendment to Policy Concerning the Board's Authority – BBE,
(LOCAL)

Consistent with the requirements of SB 37, adopted by the 89th Texas Legislature and relating, in part, to the establishment of faculty council or senate, the Chancellor recommends the following revisions to local policy.

Effective Date: Upon Approval

LOCAL POLICY

BBE – Board
Members,
Authority

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Proposed revisions would add language clarifying that the Board has sole authority to establish a faculty council or senate of the College District.

**Referring
Complaints**

If employees, students, or citizens bring a concern or complaint to an individual Board member, the Board member shall refer them to the Chancellor or designee, who shall proceed according to appropriate Board policy. [See DGBA, FLD, and GB]

When the concern or complaint directly pertains to the Board's own actions or policy, for which there is no administrative remedy, the Board member may request of the Board Chairperson that the issue be placed on the agenda.

**Establishment of
Faculty Council or
Senate**

The Board shall have sole authority to establish or continue an advisory council or senate body representative of the full-time faculty of the College District. The Board delegates to the Chancellor or designee the authority to develop and maintain rules and procedures to govern any faculty senate or council so established.

Staff Authority

Except as authorized by these policies, no employee or agent shall have the authority to bind the College District contractually.