

Election of Student Members

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 for office. An election will be called upon presentation to the Chancellor of a petition signed by at least twenty percent (20%) of the students enrolled at the time of filing the petition. No recall election will be held if the petition is received within sixty (60) days of a regularly scheduled election for a student member.

Upon notice to the Chancellor that a vacancy has occurred, the Chancellor shall, within thirty (30) days, call a special election. No special election will be called if the vacancy occurs within sixty (60) days of a regularly scheduled election for a student member. The office shall become vacant if the student member becomes ineligible for the office, resigns, is recalled, or dies.

The nonvoting student member shall be seated with the members of the governing board and shall be recognized as a full member of the board at the meetings, including receiving all agenda materials presented to the board members except those related to closed session items and may participate in the questioning of witnesses and the discussion of issues.

The student member shall not be included in determining the vote required to carry any measure before the board.

Student members may make and second motions at the discretion of the governing board.

The Board of Trustees shall, by May 15 of each year, adopt a resolution authorizing the student member to make and second motions. This resolution shall be effective until May 15 of the following year.

The students selected to serve on the governing board, in addition to being residents of California, as determined pursuant to AR 5015, shall be enrolled in a college or center of the District, throughout the term of his or her term for at least five semester units, and shall meet and maintain the minimum standards of scholarship.

References: Education Code Section 72023.5; 62 Ops. California Attorney General 126 (1979)

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