

STUDENT TRUSTEE

Reference: *Education Code Section 72023.5 and 72103*

The Associated Student Organization (A.S.O.) shall elect a representative to serve as the Student Trustee for the Governing Board. The A.S.O. shall determine whether the A.S.O. President shall serve as Student Trustee, or if the Student Trustee shall be a separate position elected by the student body.

The Student Trustee will be sworn in at the June Governing Board meeting. Before taking office the Student Trustee shall attend a training session with the Superintendent/President and the Governing Board President regarding the role and responsibilities of the Governing Board pursuant to College District Policy and Procedure No. 2740, "Board Education."

The Student Trustee must be a resident of California, must maintain enrollment in at least nine (9) units at Southwestern Community College District, have a 2.5 cumulative GPA and maintain a 2.0 GPA for the fall semester in order to continue as student trustee during the spring semester and not be on academic or disciplinary probation throughout their term. The Student Trustee is allowed to have employment with the College District.

On or before May 15 of each year, the Governing Board shall consider whether to afford the Student Trustee any of the following privileges:

- The privilege to make and second motions;
- The privilege to receive compensation for meeting attendance at the level received by other members of the Governing Board;
- The privilege to serve a one-year term commencing on June 1 through May 31.

The Student Trustee shall be seated with the Governing Board and shall be recognized as a full member of the Governing Board at meetings. The Student Trustee shall be entitled to attend all Governing Board training sessions. The Student Trustee is entitled to participate in discussion of issues and receive all materials presented to members of the Board (except for closed session). The Student Trustee will have an advisory vote, which will be recorded in the official minutes, but does not determine whether an item passes and does not pertain to closed session items. The Student Trustee shall be entitled to any mileage allowance necessary to attend Governing Board Meetings to the same extent as publicly elected trustees.