

## **Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College Board of Governors Expectations of Board Members 2021-2023**

### **Responsibility / Authority**

The affairs of Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College will be managed by its Board of Governors, which shall have full authority to take such actions as it deems necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purpose for which the Board has been formed.

### **Expectations of All Board Members:**

1. To prepare for and attend at least five (5) Board meetings each year.
2. To attend at least 75% of the meetings of assigned committees.
3. To develop and ensure fulfillment of the mission of Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College.
4. To establish needed policy and plans for guidance of Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College.
5. To ensure compliance with federal, state, and local laws.
6. To establish and ensure compliance with a code of ethics and standards of conduct governing the actions of the Board and staff.
7. To protect against conflict of interest in the business affairs of Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College.
8. To review and approve annual budgets, monitor performance, and dictate changes required to operate within the approved budget.
9. To accept responsibility for assuring that Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College has sufficient financial resources to accomplish its mission, including but not limited to personal financial support of the *Vision 2020* Major Gifts Campaign.
10. To serve as an advocate, champion and representative of Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College in the community.
11. To provide feedback and input to the Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College as to community attitudes, comments, questions, and suggestions.
12. [for Board members that reside within the College service district] To attend at least one Southern event or activity each year.
13. [for Board members who reside outside of the College service district] To identify or establish at least one opportunity each year for staff and representatives of the College to make presentations to or otherwise interact with members of the community where the board member resides, thereby promoting the mission of the College.
14. As overseers of a public trust, each board member has an obligation to remain open to input from external stakeholders to help ensure that Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College is responsive to state and community needs. However, as members of a board consisting of independent men and women acting together to be fully informed and impartial in their policy determinations, each must recognize that in the end, his/her decision must rise above any external pressures being applied to the Board's work.