

BYLAW

The Board of Trustees shall be a body corporate and shall be known as the Board of Trustees of Ocean County College. The Board of Trustees (the "Board"), in accordance with state law, shall have custody of and be responsible for the property of the college and shall be responsible for the management and control of the college. The Board shall make an annual report to the New Jersey Secretary of Higher Education and to the Ocean County Board of Commissioners.

The College shall be administered by the Board, consisting of the County superintendent of schools and 10 persons, eight of whom shall be appointed by the appointing authority of the County with the advice and consent of the Ocean County Board of Commissioners, at least two of whom shall be women, and two of whom shall be appointed by the Governor. However, no trustee shall be appointed who is an employee of Ocean County government. The President of the College shall serve as an ex officio member of the Board without vote. In addition, the student body of the College shall be entitled to elect from the graduating class, one representative to serve as a non-voting member on the Board for a term of one year commencing at the first meeting of the Board in July following graduation of his/her class.

Appointment or Reappointment of Board Members by the County

The appointing authority of the County shall establish a trustee search committee of not less than five members who shall be residents of the County. The members of the trustee search committee shall not be elected public officials and shall not be eligible for appointment to the Board for a period of six months after service on the trustee search committee. The trustee search committee shall nominate individuals for consideration by the appointing authority of the County for appointment to the Board.

Appointments or Reappointments of Board Members by the Governor

1. When a member is to be appointed or reappointed to the Board by the Governor, the Board shall establish a schedule that will enable the Board to make a recommendation to the Governor in a timely manner.
2. The Board shall assess the needs of the Board and College, giving consideration to (a) desired areas of expertise, abilities, and experience; (b) diversity of community representation; and (c) the present composition of the Board.

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PROCEDURE

Annually during the spring semester, a representative of the graduating class will be selected to serve as a non-voting alumni member on the Ocean County College Board of Trustees for a one-year term commencing at the first meeting of the Board in July following graduation of his/her class. The Vice President of Student Affairs or his/her representative shall be responsible for implementing this policy.

All students who satisfy degree requirements during any academic year will be considered members of that academic year's graduating class.

The Office of Student Life will solicit student nominations from the entire student graduating body as well as from the campus community for consideration for recognition through Who's Who Among Students at Ocean County College.

Students who are nominated are asked to submit profiles for the Student Life Committee to review; the profile includes a question regarding the student's interest in serving as the alumni representative on the Board of Trustees for the upcoming year. If interested, students are required to submit a "letter of intent" explaining why they believe they are good candidates for the position and how they will represent all students in the trustee role.

The Student Life Committee reviews all nominations and student profiles, schedules interviews as necessary, and makes the final recommendation for selection of the alumni representative.

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