

03.700 Board Responsibilities

03.701 Responsibilities of the Board. The Board's general responsibilities are those designated for all state governing boards by Texas Education Code § 51.352.

1. The Board shall exercise the traditional and time-honored role for such boards as their role has evolved in the United States and shall constitute the keystone of the governance structure. In this regard each governing board:
 - a. is expected to preserve institutional independence and to defend its right to manage its own affairs through its chosen administrators and employees;
 - b. shall enhance the public image of each Institution under its governance;
 - c. shall interpret the community to the campus and interpret the campus to the community;
 - d. shall nurture each Institution under its governance to the end that each Institution achieves its full potential within its role and mission; and
 - e. shall insist on clarity of focus and mission of each Institution under its governance.
2. In addition to the powers and duties specifically granted by the Texas Education Code or other law, the Board shall:
 - a. establish for each Institution goals consistent with the role and mission of the Institution;
 - b. appoint and evaluate the Chancellor;

- c. appoint and evaluate the President of each Institution and assist the President in achieving performance goals;
- d. set Institution admission standards consistent with the role and mission of each Institution, considering the admission standards of similar institutions nationwide having a similar role and mission, as determined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board; and
- e. ensure that its formal position on matters of importance to the Institutions is made clear to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board when such matters are under consideration by the Coordinating Board.

03.702 Fiduciary Duty. Each member of the Board has the legal responsibilities of a fiduciary in the management of funds under the control of the Institutions.

03.703 Policy Direction. The Board shall provide the policy direction for each Institution.

03.704 Transfer Policy. Each General Academic Institution shall adopt a policy to enhance the transfer of students as required by Texas Education Code § 51.352(f).

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