

Setting Board Priorities and Goals for 2015-2016

There are two major categories of priorities or goals that Board set for themselves:

- Governance priorities and tasks related to the District's District-Wide Strategic Plan
 - They complement and provide direction to the Chancellor's annual priorities.
- Goals to strengthen board effectiveness and/or address areas for improvement

Following are trustees' comments from the evaluations as a starting point for discussion.

Areas for Improvement

- A little more time needs to be taken in order to better understand the District and Colleges budgets.
- Setting clearer, results-oriented goals for District Services so that this function fully complements the educational responsibilities of the two colleges and ATEP.
- Insuring the board fully understands the fiscal situation of our district and colleges.
- Keep striving for excellence.
- Advocacy and local interaction

What should be Board goals, priorities, and/or tasks for the coming year?

- The Board should continue to stress the importance of student success, student accessibility and student completion.
- The Board needs to continue to follow sound fiscal policies that include wise and prudent use of public funds. Also to promote financial strength and stability and to promote educational opportunities for all students.
- Continue to implement policies of fiscal prudence;
- Continue to create a climate of mutual respect;
- Listen to all stakeholders on what policies will continue to move the colleges and ATEP forward to deliver world class education to students;
- Help guide the Chancellor on leading the district forward in ways that benefit students, faculty, staff, administrators and the community;
- serve as "ambassadors" for the district and the colleges in the community at-large.
- Insuring our district and colleges chose the best candidates for every position in our district and colleges, from trustees, to all of our administrators at the district level and college level, to professors, to classified staff. This will insure we have the best colleges to serve our students.
- Settle the contract (s.)
- Partnerships with business and industry.
- Review our mandated policies for Student Success to insure these really do insure student success.
- Guard the programs our students count on for their success and their well being, e.g. our Emeritus Institute, our CTE programs that get our students jobs in our community, and our academic programs. Review our guarantee transfer programs to 4 year institutions, and our success in transferring students, and our students success after they transfer. Our students success in CTE programs in getting jobs in our communities, and how they do in those jobs.
- I would like to look at the bargaining reporting process.
- Clarity on goals and advancement of ATEP development