

BP 2100 Board Elections

Reference:

Education Code Sections 5015.7, 70902(a)(1); 5030(b) and 72036;

Government Code Section 1770

Stipulated Judgment, Soliz v. Santa Clarita Community College District, Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case No. BC512736 (entered Aug. 25, 2014)

1. The term of office of each trustee shall be four years, commencing on the first Board meeting in December following the general election in November. Elections shall be held every two years, in even-numbered years. Terms of trustees are staggered so that, as nearly as practical, one half of the trustees shall be elected at each trustee election.
2. Each trustee shall be elected in “by trustee area” elections, defined as elections in which “one or more members residing in each trustee area are elected by the registered voters of that particular trustee area[.]” Cal. Elec. Code 5030(b).
3. A member who moves out of his or her trustee area during their term of office will create a vacancy per Board Policy 2110 – Vacancies on the Board. Such vacancies will be refilled per BP and AP 2110.
4. The current, Board-approved Trustee Areas Map shall be posted on the college website and available from the CEO’s office.
5. Regular elections shall be held in Areas 2, 3, and 4 in 2016 and every four years thereafter. Regular elections shall be held in Areas 1 and 5 in 2018 and every four years thereafter.
6. If any candidate for the Board of Trustees pays to have a candidate statement placed in the ballot pamphlet, the District will pay the costs of having that statement translated into Spanish and placed in the ballot pamphlet.
7. In the Spring of each election year, the District will host information sessions for persons interested in becoming candidates for the Board, to provide information about the election process and the role of the District’s trustees.
8. As permitted by law, the District will conduct voter registration drives on its campuses, and implement programs on its campuses to facilitate vote-by-mail voting.
10. The District will reasonably make its facilities available to the County of Los Angeles for use as polling places, to help facilitate polling place voting. In the event that the District conducts its own elections, the District will also reasonably make its facilities available for use as polling places.
11. The CEO shall submit recommendations to the Board regarding any necessary adjustments to be made to the boundaries of each trustee area after each decennial federal census, or at other appropriate times. The CEO shall submit the recommendation in time for the Board to act as required by law.

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