



ROLE OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

California Education Code:

Section 70901 (B) (1) (e)

Governing Boards; Delegation

The board of governors shall establish minimum standards as required by law, including but not limited to, "Minimum standards governing procedures established by governing boards of community college districts to ensure faculty, staff, and students the right to participate effectively in district and college governance, and the opportunity to express their opinions at the campus level and to ensure that these opinions are given every reasonable consideration, and the right of academic senates to assume primary responsibility for making recommendations in the areas of curriculum and academic standards."

Section 70902 (B) (7)

Governing Boards; Delegation

Each community college district shall "Establish procedures not inconsistent with minimum standards established by the board of governors to ensure faculty, staff, and students the opportunity to express their opinions at the campus level and to ensure that these opinions are given every reasonable consideration, and the right to participate effectively in district and college governance, and the right of the academic senates to assume primary responsibility for making recommendations in the areas of curriculum and academic standards."

Section 87359 (B)

Waiver of Minimum Qualifications; Equivalency

The agreed upon process shall include reasonable procedures to ensure that the governing board relies primarily upon the advice and judgment of the academic senates. The process shall further require that the governing board provide the academic senates with an opportunity to present its views to the governing board before the board makes a determination.

Section 87360 (B)

Hiring Criteria

"Hiring criteria, policies, and procedures for new faculty members shall be developed and agreed upon jointly by representatives of the governing board, and the academic senate, and approved by the governing board." There is no qualification of the mandate, no specification of circumstances wherein it would be permissible for the governing board to circumvent the requirement to reach joint agreement with the academic senate.

Section 87458 (A)

Administrative Retreat Rights

The agreed upon process shall include reasonable procedures to ensure that the governing board relies primarily upon the advice and judgment of the academic senates. The process shall further require that the governing board provide the academic senates with an opportunity to present its views to the governing board before the board makes a determination.

Section 87610.1 (A)

Tenure Evaluation Procedures

The faculty's exclusive representative shall consult with the academic senates prior to engaging in collective bargaining regarding those procedures.

Section 87663 (F)

Evaluation Procedures

The faculty's exclusive representative shall consult with the academic senates prior to engaging in collective bargaining regarding those procedures.

Section 87743.2

Faculty Service Areas

The exclusive representative shall consult with the academic senates in developing its proposals with regards to faculty service areas.