## 2023. POLICY ON BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTION

Reference: California Education Code, Sections 5000 et sec. Charter and Municipal Code of the City of Long Beach California Election Code Section 10012, 13307

- A. Election of Board of Trustee Members.
  - 1. Election of members of the Board of Trustees shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Charter and Municipal Code of the City of Long Beach, the California Education Code, and the Election Code.
  - 2. Members are elected to the Board of Trustees in the City of Long Beach municipal elections held on the second Tuesday in April in even numbered years. Two members were elected in 2008 and three in 2010 and this alternating process shall continue for subsequent election cycles. Terms of trustees are staggered so that, as nearly as practical, one half of the trustees are elected at each trustee election.
  - 3. The election of members of the Board of Trustees, residing in and registered to vote in one specific trustee area, shall be by the registered voters of that specific trustee area. The trustee areas are:

Area 1, Area 2, Area 3, Area 4, Area 5

Accurate descriptions of the trustee areas will be maintained in the Superintendent-President's Office (refer to trustee area map).

- 4. The two or three candidates, in the respective years, receiving the highest number of votes within their trustee area shall be elected to office. If a tie vote makes it impossible to determine which of two or more candidates has been elected to the Governing Board, the winner of the election shall be determined by lot in accordance with provisions of the Education Code and District Resolution Number 011194C.
- 5. Candidates for the Board of Trustees shall pay the filing fee for candidacy as provided in the Long Beach City Charter and Municipal Code. The candidate's statement of qualifications for the position of member of the Board of Trustees of the Long Beach Community College District shall be limited to no more than two hundred (200) words. The actual prorated costs of printing, handling and translating candidate's statements, if any, incurred by the City of Long

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Beach as a result of providing this service, shall be included as part of the total prorated election costs to be paid by the District. The individual candidates shall pay any costs of printing, handling, and translating of candidate's statements.

- 6. Trustees elected at regular biennial Governing Board member elections shall hold office for terms of four (4) years. A trustee's term of office shall commence on the third Monday of July following the election, at which time the required documents will be signed. Any member of the Board whose term has expired shall continue to discharge the duties of the office until his or her successor has qualified. The term of the successor shall begin upon the expiration of the term of his or her predecessor.
- 7. Elected trustees shall generally be sworn in on the fourth Tuesday in July at the Board organizational meeting.
- 8. The term of office of any member of the Board of Trustees that would have ended on either April 30, 2012, or April 30, 2014, shall continue to the third Monday of July in 2012 or 2014, respectively, or until their successors qualify.

Adopted: October 25, 2011