

Instructional Council Bylaws

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Instructional Council of Lower Columbia College

AUTHORITY

The Instructional Council is a standing committee of the department of Instruction.

MISSION STATEMENT

Review and inform policy on instructional issues by providing meaningful input.

- 1. Serve as a resource to instructional departments regarding Instructional Council processes, activities, recommendations, discussions and decisions.
- 2. Facilitate, monitor, and coordinate communication exchange with various committees, task forces, and groups that are a part of Instruction.
- 3. Systematic Review of instructional policies, procedures & committees.
- 4. Provide input and take action as needed regarding college priorities
- 5. Review data relevant to program & instructional activities
 - a. Monitoring reports
 - b. Program reviews
 - c. Other

MEMBERSHIP

The Instructional Council shall consist of:

Voting Members:

- 1. The Vice President of Instruction.
- 2. The department chair of each instructional department.
- 3. All instructional deans and directors who are responsible for supervising faculty.
- 4. A student representative appointed by the student government.

Non-Voting Members

- 1. Vice President of Student Services
- 2. Director of eLearning
- 3. Director of Instructional Operations
- 4. Faculty Union President
- Recorder

CHAIRPERSON

1. The Vice President of Instruction chairs the committee.

DUTIES OF VICE PRESIDENT OF INSTRUCTION

- 1. Convene and chair the meetings of the Council.
- 2. Prepare and distribute the agenda for the meetings after input from department chairs and deans on agenda items.
- 3. Forward Council recommendations as appropriate.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

- 1. The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure, 4th ed. by Alice Sturgis governs parliamentary procedure.
- 2. Additional Lower Columbia College established rules and procedures as applicable.
- 3. The term of membership for department chairs is for three academic years.
- 4. The term of membership for the student is one academic year.
- 5. The academic year is fall, winter and spring quarters.

VOTING

- 1. All voting members of the Council receive one vote.
- 2. A quorum consists of 51 percent of the members.
- 3. For voting, a simple majority of the members present is required to take an action.
- 4. The Council shall vote on all items requiring action.

MEETINGS

- Council meets at least monthly during the fall, winter and spring academic quarters. No meetings are called during summer quarter.
- 2. The Vice President conducts the meetings. In the Vice President's absence a dean will be designated to chair the meeting.

RECORDER

- 1. Designated by the Vice President of Instruction.
- Publishes the approved agenda before the meeting.
- 3. Notifies members of meeting dates and arranges meeting place.
- 4. Takes minutes during the meeting.
- 5. Posts the minutes on the Instructional Council website.

RECORDS

The Recorder for the Instructional Council:

- 1. Maintains the records of all meetings.
- 2. Posts the minutes on the college internal website.
- 3. Keeps the minutes of the Instructional Council for five years.
- 4. Maintains the permanent committee archive file.

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