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- P. Striving to provide the most effective community college board service of which they are capable, and doing so in a spirit of teamwork and devotion that acknowledges public education as the greatest instrument for the preservation and perpetuation of our representative democracy.
- Q. Providing board direction and priorities during budget development.

All board members must maintain the highest standards of conduct and ethical behavior and adhere to the board's code of ethics. The board will promptly address any violation by a board member or members of the code of ethics in the following manner:

The superintendent/president and governing board president are authorized to consult with legal counsel when they become aware of or are informed about actual or perceived violations of pertinent laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, conflict of interest, open and public meetings, confidentiality of closed session information, and use of public resources. Violations of law may be referred to the district attorney or attorney general as provided for in law. Violation of Board Policy 2715, Code of Ethics/Standards of Practice, will be addressed by the board president, who will first discuss the violation with the board member to reach a resolution. If resolution is not achieved and further action is deemed necessary, an ad hoc ethics committee may be appointed to examine the matter and recommend further courses of action to the board. The committee will consist of one member appointed by the board president and one by the board vice president, neither appointee to be the president or vice president. If the board member alleged to have violated this policy is the board president and/or vice president, the board members not subject to the complaint may appoint the committee member(s) by consensus. The committee will initiate a thorough, fact-finding process regarding the complaint, including an interview with the member in question, and report its findings and recommendations to the board. If the board determines the member did not violate Board Policy 2715, the board will conclude the process. If the board determines that the member violated Board Policy 2715, the unaffected board members, in consultation with legal counsel, will determine the appropriate sanctions, which may include censure of the board member.