
College Policy Committee

Terms of Reference

Policy Number:	A-5.06.01
Category:	Administration
Effective Date:	November 8, 2019
Approval Process:	Administrative Policies
Approval Date:	November 8, 2019
Date Last Reviewed:	November 8, 2019

MANDATE

The College Policy Committee shall review all existing policies on a regular basis and all draft policies to ensure that policies follow an approved format and process, and are compliant and consistent with legal statutes, College policies, and collective agreements.

PROCEDURES

- Any group or individual may request a new College policy or a revision to an existing policy. Requests are submitted to the Vice President Academic and Research (VPAR) who will refer the request to the appropriate College Officer for consideration and/or action.
- Proposed policies will be submitted to the Confidential Secretary, Vice President Academic and Research.
- Each year the College Policy Committee will select a group of policies to review.
- Policy Approval Process for *Administrative Policies*
 - Policies that relate to administrative aspects of the College will be forwarded to the College Policy Committee to be reviewed for compliance with format, clarity, and consistency with legislation and other College policies.
 - Once finalized, administrative policies are approved by the College Policy Committee.
- Policy Approval Process for *Section 23 Policies*
 - Policies that relate to Section 23 of the College and Institute Act¹ will be forwarded to the College Policy Committee to be reviewed for compliance with format, clarity, and consistency with legislation and other College policies.
 - Once finalized, policies are forwarded to Education Council for advice and NLC's Board of Governors for approval.
- Policy Approval Process for *Section 24 Policies*
 - Policies that related to Section 24 of the College and Institute Act, once developed, will be forwarded to the College Policy Committee to be reviewed for compliance with format, clarity, and consistency with legislation and other College policies.
 - Once finalized, policies are forwarded to Education Council for approval.

¹ www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96052_01

- Policy Approval Process for *Section 25 Policies*
 - Policies that relate to Section 25 of the College and Institute Act will be forwarded to the College Policy Committee to be reviewed for compliance with format, clarity, and consistency with legislation and other College policies.
 - Once finalized, policies are forwarded to Education Council and NLC's Board of Governors for joint approval.
- All policies (new, revised, and rescinded) become official once approved by the designated approving body. Official policies will be posted on NLC's Website.
- All policy is subject to review at least every five (5) years to ensure relevancy and to reflect changing requirements. The author responsible for the policy development is responsible for initiating review and editing updates.

MEMBERSHIP

The Membership will consist of the following:

Vice President Academic and Research
Vice President Finance and Corporate Services
Associate Vice President of People & Institutional Strategy
Faculty Union Bargaining Chair
Support Union Bargaining Chair
Associate Dean or Dean (two positions) appointed by the Vice President, Academic and Research
Chief Information Officer
Registrar
Regional Director of Facilities
Campus Administrator (one position) appointed by the Vice President, Academic and Research
Education Council Member
President/CEO (*ex officio member*)

LENGTH OF TERM

On-going by virtue of office.

MEETINGS AND CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- The VPAR acts as the Chair of the Committee and is responsible for setting the agenda.
- In the absence of the Chair at any regular meeting, the VPAR will appoint an Acting Chair for that meeting.
- Meetings will be held 10 months of the year.
- Northern Lights College will provide administrative support, who will be responsible for preparing agendas and minutes.
- Any College Policy Committee member may submit agenda items to the Committee Secretary.
- The Committee Secretary will post (on D2L) the agenda and minutes of previous meetings one week in advance of each scheduled meeting.

- Proposed agenda items will be reviewed by, and may be, approved by the Chair.
- Meeting quorum is fifty percent of members including the Chair.
- Persons not members of the Committee may be invited from time to time by the Chair to attend or participate regarding a specific matter.

RELATED POLICIES AND REFERENCES

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History

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Created			
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Next Scheduled Review Date

January 2024