

ARTICLE I

Responsibility and Membership

Section 1. Jurisdiction and Responsibility

- (a) The Board of Trustees is a body corporate established under the provisions of Chapter 115D of the General Statutes of North Carolina, and it possesses all of the powers of a body corporate for the purpose created by or that may exist under provisions of the law.
- (b) The Board of Trustees has the responsibility for the development and operation of the College in accordance with the provisions of the law and the standards of the State Board of Community Colleges.
- (c) The official title of the Board of Trustees, and the corporate name of the institution, shall be “The Trustees of Wayne Community College”.
- (d) Under the law, the Board of Trustees shall hold title to all real and personal property donated to the College or purchased with funds provided by the tax levying authorities.
- (e) Consistent with accreditation criteria of the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the Board of Trustees must not be subject to undue pressure from political, religious or other external bodies. Furthermore, the Board should protect the administration from similar pressures.

Section 2. Membership

- (a) The Board shall consist of thirteen (13) members in three (3) groups of four (4) trustees each and the president of the Student Government Association. The four (4) trustees in Group One shall be elected by the Wayne County Board of Education. The four (4) trustees in Group Two shall be elected by the Board of Commissioners of Wayne County. The four (4) trustees in Group Three shall be appointed by the Governor of North Carolina. The president of the Student Government Association shall serve as an ex officio, non-voting member.
- (b) The terms of the members of the Board, except the student member, shall be so set by the selecting agencies that the term of a member in each group shall expire on June 30, of every other year, the shortest term to expire on June 30 of the next odd-numbered year