

6A-14.026 Employment of a President. Boards of trustees shall notify the State Board of Education ~~Community Colleges~~ of the appointment, suspension, or dismissal of presidents immediately upon such action.

~~(1) Selection. Boards of trustees, in appointing presidents, shall select persons qualified for the position and competent to perform the duties and responsibilities of the position. The minimum basic qualification is an earned doctorate or the equivalent. If a board chooses to recognize an equivalency, it shall specify the education, experience, and other elements deemed to constitute equivalency, and notify the State Board of Community Colleges of them. The boards shall seek and interview persons with the highest qualifications for educational leadership. The boards shall consider particularly the candidates' education, experience in community colleges and related fields, understanding of community college programs, and demonstrated leadership ability.~~

~~(2) Contract. The president shall be provided a contract. The contract shall be for at least one year, but no more than four years.~~

~~(3) Evaluation. At the time the contract is issued, the board of trustees shall inform the president of duties and responsibilities, of the procedure by which performance shall be evaluated, and of the criteria for evaluation. Evaluations shall~~

~~cover each duty and responsibility, whether assigned by the board of trustees or specified in law or rule. The board shall evaluate the president annually. After completion of the evaluation and acceptance by the board of trustees, the notice of findings shall be submitted to the Chancellor of the Division of Community Colleges for review. The evaluation and the findings shall be in writing, and shall be submitted, immediately after acceptance by the board of trustees, to the State Board of Community Colleges for review.~~

~~(4) Suspension. The responsibility for suspending and dismissing the president remains with the board of trustees, except that the Commissioner, with State Board of Education approval, may suspend a president for cause; in which case, the board of trustees shall meet immediately to review the evidence establishing cause and to continue the suspension, or dismiss or reinstate the president. The board of trustees shall report immediately its action and rationale to the State Board of Education.~~

~~(5) When the position of president becomes vacant, the board of trustees may appoint an acting president. The term of the appointment shall be for no more than six (6) months. There may be one reappointment for a like term.~~

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