

Southwestern Oregon Community College

BP 2710 Conflict of Interest

Purpose

To define conflict of interests

Conflicts of Interest

Board of Education members are public officials and must abide by all requirements of ORS Chapter 244, and the rules and opinions of the Oregon Government Ethics Commission. No Board member shall use his/her official position or office to obtain personal financial benefit or to avoid financial detriment for him or her, relatives, household members or for any business with which the Board member, household member, or a relative is associated. Relatives include spouse, domestic partner, children of the person, or spouse, or domestic partner, or the brothers, sisters or parents of the person, or the person's spouse or domestic partner and any individual to whom the person owes a duty of support.

Definitions

- Potential Conflict of Interest – When the Board’s action benefits a class of people – not the individual Board member or a business the Board member or their family is affiliated.
- Actual Conflict of Interest - When an individual Board member or their family could benefit financially from the Board’s action.
 1. For Potential Conflicts of Interest, the Board member may participate in discussion and is eligible to vote on the action item.
 2. For Actual Conflicts of Interest, the Board member must declare the actual conflict of interest and refrain from all discussion and voting on the action item.

References:

NWCCU Standards 2.D.3
ORS 244.010 to ORS 244.047

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