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GOVERNING STYLE POLICY

1.00 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this policy is to document the style of governing that will be used at Coast Mountain College (CMTN).

2.00 DEFINITIONS

- 2.1 None

3.00 POLICY STATEMENTS

- 3.1 The Board of Governors will govern with a style and manner that emphasizes an outward vision, diversity in viewpoints, and strategic leadership.
- 3.2 The Board of Governors will:
 - a. exemplify ethical behaviour as per the Code of Conduct ([BRD-GP-003, Board Code of Conduct Policy](#))
 - b. articulate clear distinctions of Board and President & CEO roles
 - c. maintain accountability to its “ownership,” the taxpayers of BC.
- 3.3 The Board will govern with excellence by:
 - a. attendance
 - b. preparation for meetings
 - c. full and open debate, and discussion in accordance to Roberts Rules of Order
 - d. communication with one voice
 - e. continuity of governance capability.
- 3.4 The Board does not intrude on the prerogative and responsibilities of management: unless in exceptional circumstances such as:
 - a. the departure of the President & CEO with no clearly acceptable successor available
 - b. extraordinary circumstances, including serious financial difficulties.

- 3.5 The Board will create and maintain a cooperative and supportive relationship with its President & CEO.
- 3.6 The Board will support regular and ongoing Board development and continuous improvement, including the orientation of new members in the Board’s policy governance model.
- 3.7 The Board will monitor and discuss the Board’s process and performance at each meeting. Attention will be given to ensure consistency with the principles of Policy Governance model.

4.00 RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- 4.1 [BRD-GP-003, Board Code of Conduct Policy](#)

5.00 HISTORY

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