

#### **BUILDING A STRONG PARTNERSHIP THROUGH CEO EVALUATION**

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OVERVIEW OF THE PRESIDENTIAL/CHANCELLOR EVALUATION PROCESS The CEO Evaluation Process Should:

- Assess how well the institution is fulfilling its mission
- If necessary, refine goals for the institution and the CEO
- Offer constructive feedback on performance
- Identify strategies to address any issues that come up during the evaluation
- Provide an opportunity for the board to learn how it can enhance the board-CEO partnership & support the CEO
- Foster communication between the board and CEO

#### TIMING

Regular progress reports on college goals and other monitoring activities contain an element of evaluation, and occur at most board meetings. MOST boards schedule an <u>ANNUAL</u> evaluation session to allow trustees and the CEO to summarize and highlight what is working and what needs attention.

Source: Trusteeship in Community Colleges: A Guide for Effective Governance (2020)

## Examples of Evaluation Categories

- Academic leadership
- Community leadership & engagement
- Fundraising responsibilities & services
- Business & industry partnerships & alliances
- Successful partnerships with K-12, colleges & universities
- Relationships with internal constituents
- Communicating with the board
- Board-CEO Relations
- Institutional Performance
- Communications
- External relationships



# Performance Rating Scale

5-Significantly Exceeds Expectations

- 4-Exceeds Some Expectations
- 3-Meets Expectations
- 2-Meets Some Expectations
- 1-Does Not Meet Expectations
- 0-Don't Know

To get numerical averages, respondents might be asked to rate the statement according to a scale

## Discussion and Review

- **Board discussion**: Set goals, priorities and the time frame for the next evaluation.
- After discussion: Board should present a formal and unified message to the president/chancellor.
- Discussion may include:
  - Compensation
  - Extension of contract
  - Resolution of performance and/or perception issues
  - Goals and priorities for next year
  - Areas for improvement
  - Periodic review
  - Schedule for next evaluation