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Education Code Sections 7054, 2056, 72632 Government Code Section 8314

It is the policy of the Compton Community College District that no District funds, services, supplies, or equipment, including District email, mailboxes and/or bulletin boards, may be used to urge the passage or defeat of any ballot measure or candidate, including, but not limited to, any candidate for election to the governing board.

Employees are prohibited from engaging in political activity during working hours. This prohibition shall not prohibit an employee from urging the support or defeat of a ballot measure or candidate during nonworking time. "Nonworking time" means time outside an employee's working hours, whether before or after the workday or during the employee's lunch period or other scheduled work breaks during the day.

Initiative or referendum measures may be drafted on an area of legitimate interest to the district. The Board of Trustees may by resolution express the board's position on ballot measures. Public resources may be used only for informational efforts regarding ballot measures.

The Board may by resolution suggest, support, or oppose legislation on issues directly affecting the Compton Community College District. The Board will consider for adoption resolutions only if they meet one of the following criteria:

- It is required because of a federal or state law or regulation.
- It is required to meet the provisions of a tax, election, appointment, financial, or legal requirement imposed by a government agency.
- It is desirable for the Board of Trustees to take an official position and record on a matter which is considered to be necessary to promote and/or protect the best interest of the district.

The Board delegates authority to the President/Chief Executive Officer to issue resolutions on behalf of the District to honor a person or entity who has made a significant contribution to the district. Furthermore, the Board delegates authority to the President/Chief Executive Officer to partake in legislative actions or retain consultants to partake in legislative actions on behalf of the district. Legislative actions include but are not limited to, supporting or opposing legislative matters; and drafting, introducing, considering, or testifying on legislative matters. In a timely manner, the President/Chief Executive Officer shall share legislative actions taken on behalf of the District with the Board.

Nothing in this policy shall be interpreted to restrict the right of individual Board members or employees to take and communicate positions advocating or opposing ballot measures or candidates, so long as no public funds, services, supplies or equipment are expended or utilized.