In order that faculty may have a formal and effective procedure for participating in District governance, **AB 1725** specifies that the Governing Board shall consult “**collegially**” with the appropriate, organized faculty leadership group. The Governing Board recognizes the Faculty Senate of Cabrillo College as the appropriate organized group to make recommendations, in a “primary reliance” manner, to the administration and Board with respect to academic and professional matters.

Consult “**collegially**” means that the District Governing Board shall develop policies on academic and professional matters through either or both of the following:

1. **Rely primarily** upon the advice and judgment of the Academic Senate,
2. The Governing Board, or its designees, and the Academic Senate shall reach mutual agreement by written resolution, regulation, or policy of the Governing Board effectuating such recommendations.

**Academic and Professional matters** means the following policy development matters:

1. Curriculum, including establishing prerequisites.
2. Degree and certificate requirements.
3. Grading policies.
4. Educational program development.
5. Standards or policies regarding student preparation and success.
6. College governance structures, as related to faculty roles.
7. Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes.
8. Policies for faculty professional development activities.
9. Processes for program review.
10. Processes for institutional planning and budget development.
11. Other academic and professional matters as mutually agreed upon.

**Further,** the faculty is hereby authorized to:

1. Fix and amend by vote of the faculty the composition, structure and procedures of the Faculty Senate.
2. Select, in accordance with accepted democratic election procedures, the members and officers of the Faculty Senate.

The Faculty Senate shall present its views and recommendations to the Governing Board through regularly established channels. However, the Senate, after consultation with the administration, may present its views and recommendations directly to the Governing Board.

**Legal reference:** **AB 1725, Title 5, California Ed Code 53200**

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