

**COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT OF 1966 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 331 of 1966**  
Chapter 12  
**BOARDS OF TRUSTEES**

**389.151 Community college district; board of trustees, eligibility.**

Sec. 151.

Any qualified elector residing within the community college district or proposed community college district is eligible to be chosen as a board member.

**History:** 1966, Act 331, Eff. Oct. 1, 1966 ;-- Am. 1967, Act 231, Imd. Eff. July 10, 1967

**389.152 Member of community college board; nomination; election.**

Sec. 152.

A candidate for the office of member of a community college board shall be nominated, and members shall be elected, as provided in chapter XIV of the Michigan election law, MCL 168.301 to 168.315.

**History:** 1966, Act 331, Eff. Oct. 1, 1966 ;-- Am. 1967, Act 231, Imd. Eff. July 10, 1967 ;-- Am. 1984, Act 96, Imd. Eff. Apr. 23, 1984 ;-- Am. 1990, Act 11, Imd. Eff. Feb. 26, 1990 ;-- Am. 2003, Act 306, Eff. Jan. 1, 2005 ;-- Am. 2005, Act 62, Imd. Eff. July 7, 2005

**389.153 Candidates for board of trustees; withdrawal, notice.**

Sec. 153.

After the filing of a nominating petition by or on behalf of a candidate for membership on the board, the candidate shall not be permitted to withdraw unless a written notice of withdrawal, signed by the candidate, is served upon the official with whom the nominating petition was filed or his duly authorized agent not later than 4:00 p.m. of the third day after the last day for filing the petition unless the third day falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, in which case the notice of withdrawal may be served on the official or his duly authorized agent up to 4:00 p.m. on the next secular day.

**History:** 1966, Act 331, Eff. Oct. 1, 1966

**389.154 Candidate for board of trustees; death, withdrawal, removal from district, or disqualification; election.**

Sec. 154.

When a candidate for election to the board of trustees dies before the election, withdraws, removes from the community college district or proposed district, or becomes disqualified for any reason, and that person is the only candidate for the term of office of member of the board of trustees, then at the first meeting of the board after the election, the board shall elect, by majority vote of the members of the board, a person who would otherwise meet the qualifications of the office to serve until the next succeeding regular community college election for members of the board of trustees or, in the case of a candidate for election to a board of trustees organized under chapter 5, until the next general election.

**History:** 1966, Act 331, Eff. Oct. 1, 1966 ;-- Am. 1984, Act 96, Imd. Eff. Apr. 23, 1984

### **389.155 Board of trustees; election; certificates of election.**

Sec. 155.

The candidate for each term of office who received the highest number of votes cast shall thereby be elected. Within 3 days of the official canvass the secretary of the final board of canvassers of any election for members to the board of trustees shall deliver a certificate of election to each of the candidates declared elected. The delivery may be made in person or by certified mail.

**History:** 1966, Act 331, Eff. Oct. 1, 1966

### **389.156 Board of trustees; oath of office and acceptance, filing.**

Sec. 156.

(1) Within 15 days after his appointment or after the final canvass of his election, each person elected or appointed as a member of the board of trustees of a community college district shall file with the secretary of the board of trustees his oath of office and his acceptance of office, accompanied by a written affidavit setting forth the fact of his eligibility as provided in section 151. Each person elected or appointed to the board of any community college district shall take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the constitution of the United States and the constitution of this state, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of member of the board of trustees according to the best of my ability."

(2) Any member elected to the first board of trustees of a community college district shall file his acceptance of office, affidavit of eligibility and oath of office with the secretary of the intermediate board of education of the county having the highest valuation within the community college district.

**History:** 1966, Act 331, Eff. Oct. 1, 1966

### **389.157 Board of trustees; vacancies, causes.**

Sec. 157.

The office of a member of the board of trustees shall become vacant immediately without declaration of any officer or any acceptance of the board of trustees or its members, upon the death of the incumbent, or his being adjudicated insane or being found to be mentally incompetent by the proper court; his resignation; his removal from office; his conviction of a felony; his election or appointment being declared void by a competent tribunal; his refusal or neglect to file his acceptance of office, or his refusal or neglect to take and subscribe to the constitutional oath of office and deposit the same in the manner and within the time prescribed by law; his ceasing to possess the legal qualifications for holding office including his residence qualification.

**History:** 1966, Act 331, Eff. Oct. 1, 1966

### **389.158 Filling vacancies.**

Sec. 158.

If a vacancy in the board of trustees occurs, the remaining members of the board by majority vote shall fill the vacancy immediately with a qualified elector of the community college district. Except as provided in section 83, any person so appointed shall hold office until the next regular community college election held for the election of members to the board of trustees in the community college district at which time the electors of the community college district shall fill the office for the unexpired portion of the term.

**History:** 1966, Act 331, Eff. Oct. 1, 1966 ;-- Am. 1984, Act 96, Imd. Eff. Apr. 23, 1984