WESTERN NEBRASKA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Western Community College Area Board of Governors' Policy

TITLE:	Authority to Establish Western Community College Area and Board
DIVISION:	WCCA Board of Governors
CATEGORY:	Western Community College Area
REFERENCE:	Nebraska Revised Statutes 85-1504
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Purpose

To record and codify the legislative authority under which the Western Community College Area (WCCA) and the WCCA Board of Governors operate.

Scope

This policy applies to the Western Community College Area.

Policy

The Nebraska Legislature, pursuant to the laws of the State of Nebraska, authorizes the establishment of a statewide independent system of locally governed community colleges.

The Legislature has declared a community college to be truly responsible to the people it serves. Primary control of such colleges must be placed in the citizens within its geographical area. The intent and purpose of this Act is to create locally governed and locally supported community college areas with the major educational emphasis on occupational education. Each community college area is intended to be an independent, local, unique, and vital segment of higher education separate from both elementary and secondary school systems and from other institutions of higher education, and not to be converted into four-year baccalaureate degree-granting institutions. The Western Community College Area has been created for such intents and purposes.

Definitions

Western Nebraska Community College shall mean the educational institution established by its Board of Governors and operating within its jurisdiction in the Counties of Sioux, Dawes, Sheridan, Box Butte, Scotts Bluff, Banner, Kimball, Morrill, Cheyenne, Garden, Deuel, Grant, and voting districts in Merriman, Russell, King, Mother Lake, Cody, Barley, Gillespie, Lackey, and a portion of Wells of Cherry County, and will hereafter be referred to as the College or WNCC as appropriate.

Board of Governors shall mean the Western Community College Area Board of Governors.

Western Community College Area refers to the twelve and one-half counties and five voting districts in the geographical area served by Western Nebraska Community College.

Revising this Policy

This Board Policy supersedes any prior WNCC policy, procedure, guideline or handbook on this subject matter.

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