

PimaCountyCommunityCollegeDistrict Board Policy

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The Pima County Community College District ("College") recognizes it is subject to a number of Risks including strategic, operational, financial, compliance, and reputational Risks, and is committed to implementing and utilizing an Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) Program for identifying, assessing, and managing Risks and opportunities to promote the achievement of the College's goals and objectives. The ERM Program should be a formal and continuous process involving all programmatic and functional areas of the College. Recognizing the effect of uncertainty upon strategic and operational objectives, the College considers an Enterprise Risk Management ("ERM") framework that assesses and manages risk consistently and continuously as an important component of good governance. The College understands that ERM does not ensure the elimination of risk. Implementation and continued operation of ERM supports ongoing efforts to manage identified strategic, operational, financial, resource-based, and relational opportunities and risks within the College's risk appetite.

The purpose of this policy is to articulate the College's approach to Risk Management as part of its strategic and operational processes, and define governance and accountability for ERM at the College. ERM will engage all

functional and programmatic areas within the College, enabling a structured, comprehensive, and collaborative approach to risk assessment and management. By integrating ERM principles, processes, practices, methodologies, and resources into core organizational activities, including strategic planning, ERM supports informed decision-making, timely action, and accountability, advancing the College's Mission and objectives.

Definitions:

The College applies internationally accepted Risk Management definitions from ISO Guide 31000:2018, as amended from time to time. Key definitions for the purpose of this policy include:

- Risk means the effect of uncertainty on the College's objectives. An effect is a deviation from the expected, and can be positive and/or negative.
- Risk Appetite is the College's approach to assess and eventually pursue, retain, take or turn away from Risk.
- Risk Management is the coordinated activities to direct and control the College with regard to the Risks affecting the realization of objectives.
- Risk Management Framework is the set of components that provide the foundations and organizational arrangements for designing, implementing, monitoring, reviewing, and continually improving risk management throughout the College.

Policy:

The College will establish and maintain an ERM program. ERM will be systematic, timely, economical, and integrated into all organizational processes, including strategic planning.

ERM will support the achievement of the College's strategic, operational, and financial objectives by helping decision-makers make informed choices, prioritize actions, and distinguish among alternative courses of action.

The College will primarily use the ISO 31000:2018 Risk Management - Guidelines model, as amended from time to time, in developing and maintaining its Risk Management Framework.

The College recognizes that the management of Risk does not mean the College will eliminate all Risks. Rather, establishing and maintaining a comprehensive ERM program will ensure that Risk is identified and managed within the College's Risk Appetite.

Responsibilities:

Management of Risk at the College involves the Governing Board (Board) and the Office of the Chancellor (Chancellor) as follows:

The <u>Governing</u> Board, through its Finance and Audit Committee, is responsible for <u>providing oversight of overseeing</u> the College's ERM program. <u>The Chancellor is responsible for providing strategic direction, guiding implementation of the College's ERM framework, processes, and practices.</u>

The Chancellor shall designate a position to have overall day-to-day responsibility for the establishment, implementation, monitoring, and communication of ERM processes and activities in accordance with the principles of ISO 31000:2018 responsible for the continued development and day-to-day management of the College's ERM operations, including:

- Applying ERM with the College's strategic objective setting activities; and
- At a minimum, biannual communication with the Communicating at least biannually to the Finance and Audit Committee regarding the College's overall Rrisk profile, critical Rrisks, and associated strategies, and progress of the ERM program effectiveness of implemented risk response strategies and actions.