## POLICY G130: BOARD ORIENTATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 1. The Board has a comprehensive orientation program for new governors. This program includes:
  - a. an updated orientation manual;
  - b. sessions with the Board chair and president to review the orientation manual's content and answer questions before the first board meeting; and
  - c. the assignment of a mentor.
- 2. The Board has a culture that encourages new members to actively participate in board activities as soon as possible.
- 3. The Board provides on-going professional development opportunities for governors to improve their skills and effectiveness, and to learn about the College, its operational environment and its governance practices. Board members are expected to regularly participate in educational and professional development activities.