

<b>Shared Governance Policy</b>	Policy Number	1.1.5
	Effective Date	September 19, 2012

### **1.0 POLICY & PURPOSE**

The Laramie County Community College Board of Trustees is vested in the active involvement of all internal College constituencies in the governance of the institution through an ongoing participative process of shared governance. The Board of Trustees affirms this belief by supporting the right of faculty, staff, administration, and students to express ideas and opinions with the assurance that such opinions will be given respectful consideration in the major decisions of the College.

### **2.0 REVISION HISTORY**

Adopted on: 9/19/12

Amended on: 4/12/23 by the Board of Trustees Policy Review Committee

### **3.0 PERSONS AFFECTED**

Laramie County Community College Board of Trustees, President, faculty, staff and students are affected by this policy.

### **4.0 DEFINITIONS**

A. *Shared Governance* – Shared governance is an organizational belief system of self-government. This system begets accompanying policies, procedures, and practices under which the Board of Trustees, Administration, Faculty, Staff, and Students contribute to, and participate in, the major decisions determining the direction and operation of the institution. Decisions that arise from a process of shared governance result in shared commitment and a cycle of institutional self-evaluation through which the College collectively directs its efforts and resources to continuous, meaningful improvement.

Shared governance at LCCC recognizes the ultimate decision-making for the College rests with the Board of Trustees. The Board entrusts day-to-day administration to the President. The President delegates this decision-making authority to individuals and campus groups possessing the expertise necessary to make sound decisions impacting the institution.