SUBJECT: PROGRAM PLANNING AND DISCONTINUANCE

PURPOSE: To establish the Board of Trustees as the final decision-making authority on program of study implementation or discontinuance

The Maine Community College System Board of Trustees reserves to itself, with the one exception below, final decisions on program of study implementation or discontinuance after receiving recommendations from the president of the System following discussion with the Presidents Council. The System president is authorized to act on behalf of the Board of Trustees regarding requests from colleges to add programs of study at the same or lower level as options in approved diploma or associate degree programs of study in accordance with established procedures. The concept for a new program of study or the rationale leading to the discontinuance of an established program of study in most instances should be initiated by the local college.

REFERENCES: 20-A M.R.S.A. §12706(1), (2), (4), (6), (15) and (19); §12707; §12709(1), (7), (10) and (13); §12712(1) and (6)

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