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**TO:** Board of Governors  
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Consultation Council  
Chancellor's Cabinet  
Community College Attorneys  
Interested Parties

**FROM:** Jonathan Lee, Staff Counsel

**RE:** Notice of Proposed Regulatory Action by the Board of Governors  
Revisions to Title 5 Regulations:  
**California Community Colleges Employees' Minimum Qualifications**

Section 206 of the Procedures and Standing Orders of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges requires the Board to give 45 days written notice of proposed regulatory action. Accordingly, notice is hereby given that the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, at its meeting of March 2-3, 2009, will consider changes to regulations in title 5, division 6, of the California Code of Regulations described in the Informative Digest, as follows.

***Informative Digest:***

These propose regulation amendments concerns regulations that define the employment minimum qualifications to teach at a California Community College. The amendments would enable the Academic Senate to identify, for the Board's subsequent adoption, disciplines where a Master's degree is generally not expected or available, which would nonetheless require teaching candidates, as a precondition of their employment, to have been awarded either a Bachelor's or Associate degree in a specific discipline plus requisite professional experience.

The proposal to establish this new category of minimum qualifications has been presented to the Consultation Council twice, once on November 20, 2008, when the Council endorsed the concept, and then again on February 19, 2009, when the Council reviewed specific title 5 amendments which are attached to this item.

***Further Information:***

Those who received the Board of Governors Agenda package for the March 2-3, 2009, meeting can find a further description of the proposal and the full text of the regulations in agenda item 4.2. The March 2-3, 2009, agenda may also be obtained online at:

<http://www.cccco.edu/SystemOffice/BoardofGovernors/BoardofGovernorsMeetingSchedule/tabid/515/Default.aspx>

You may also request a copy of the proposal from Steve Bruckman, using the contact information provided below.

***Public Comments:***

Notice is also given that any person interested may present statements or arguments orally or in writing relevant to the proposed action at a hearing to be held at California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, 1102 Q Street, Sacramento, California, on March 2-3, 2009. The Board meeting will commence at the hour of 9:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the business of the Agency will permit. The public hearings will commence when agenda item number 4.2 concerning changes to the Board of Governors' regulations is heard on March 2, 2009.

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Comments in writing are requested no later than April 10, 2009, in order to be considered before the proposed regulatory action is taken. Based on comments received, the Chancellor may recommend changes in the proposed regulation revisions.

***Cost to Local Community College Districts:***

The adoption of the proposed regulations will not impose increased costs or new costs to community college districts that are required to be reimbursed under section 17561 of the Government Code. Such determination will be made a formal part of the public hearing at the time and place described above. Furthermore, there are no direct costs or indirect costs, or savings to any state agency, no costs or savings in federal funding to the state and no discretionary costs to local agencies, nor is there any local mandate imposed.

***Authority:***

In addition to the specific provisions of law cited above, the Board of Governors also relies upon its general authority under Education Code section 70901 to adopt the proposed regulatory changes.

***Contact Person:***

Inquiries concerning these proposals or requests for copies of the proposed regulation changes may be addressed to Steve Bruckman, Executive Vice Chancellor of Operations and General Counsel, by calling (916) 322-4005 or sbruckman@cccco.edu and written comments may be sent to his attention at:

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Attn: Steve Bruckman, Executive Vice Chancellor of Operations and General Counsel

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