

BOARD POLICY: FOUNDATION DIRECTOR EMERITUS AWARD

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Craven Community College Foundation hereby establishes the position of Foundation Director Emeritus as an honorary title for a director who is retiring from service on the Foundation Board with meritorious service to the College and the Foundation. The title of Director Emeritus is reserved for those retiring directors who have had distinguished service and whose extraordinary contributions set them apart from their peers. The term of Director Emeritus may extend into perpetuity. Achieving the status of Director Emeritus is to be viewed as the highest honor that the College may bestow upon a Foundation Board member.

The President of the College, in consultation with the Board of the Foundation, shall establish a procedure for selecting retiring directors of the Foundation who have served a minimum of 6 years on the Foundation Board and who have made meritorious and extraordinary contributions to the College and the Foundation. The appointment as Director Emeritus will come with all the rights and privileges established by the Foundation.

Directors Emeritus shall be welcome to attend, on a voluntary basis, all open meetings of the Board as a nonvoting person and shall not be counted in the limitation of numbers of voting directors nor as part of a quorum.

Granting Director Emeritus status confers recognition for many years of outstanding service and is considered an honor bestowed on persons who have made extraordinary and sustained contributions to the Foundation and the College.

1. Minimum Eligibility Requirements
 - a. Official retirement from the Foundation Board
 - b. A minimum of actively serving on the Foundation Board for 6 years and demonstrated service in leadership capacity/roles (President, Vice President, Committee Chair, Leadership Committee, etc.)
 - c. Significant contributions to the Foundation through exemplary and extraordinary service to the Foundation Board by personal service and/or financial contributions.
2. Selection Process
 - a. A proposal nomination for Director Emeritus status may be made by the Nominating Committee of the Foundation and/or the President of the College to the Leadership Committee of the Foundation.
 - b. The Leadership Committee is charged with weighing each of the eligibility requirements in order to determine the extent to which the individual has made

significant and sustained contribution to the Foundation and the mission of the College. Meritorious contributions may be exemplified in different ways. It is expected that the Leadership Committee will look for a record of achievement that establishes the candidate as a Director of extraordinary distinction.

- c. Final approval for Director Emeritus status is granted by the Foundation Board.
- d. There is no quota on the number of Directors Emeritus awarded in a given year, nor cumulatively.
- e. Director Emeritus status will usually occur at the end of his or her term, but may occur at any time after the minimum years of service has been met.
- f. The title of Director Emeritus will be announced by the President to the Foundation Board and the Board of Trustees. The awardee will be honored during the Spring Convocation and the Commencement Ceremony and will be seated with the Platform party.

Those who accept the emeritus will be:

- Expected to offer continued support and participate in Foundation initiatives commensurate with abilities.
- Invited to the College Foundation Board meetings (but shall not be voting members).
- May be asked to serve on Foundation Committees and to participate in fundraising and/or friend-raising events.

Directors Emeritus will have certain privileges to include:

- Invitations to all Foundation retreats and appropriate orientations.
- Invitations to all appropriate College and Foundation functions.
- Mailing of all appropriate College information and materials.
- Other benefits as may from time to time be made available.

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