

IC 21-22-6

Chapter 6. Regional Institutes; Regional Board of Trustees

IC 21-22-6-1

Trustees; powers and duties; establishment of regions

Sec. 1. The state board of trustees may do the following:

- (1) Divide Indiana into appropriate regions, taking into consideration, but not limited to, factors such as population, potential enrollment, tax bases, and driving distances, and develop an overall state plan that provides for the orderly development of the regions encompassing, ultimately, all parts of Indiana into a coordinated system providing a comprehensive program of post-high school general, liberal arts, occupational, and technical education.
- (2) Whenever a region is established, issue a charter, in a form that the state board of trustees provides, to the region, assist and supervise the development of a regional plan, and coordinate regional programs to avoid unnecessary and wasteful duplication.
- (3) Make biennial studies of the budget requirements of the regions and of its own programs and prepare a budget, including anticipated revenues and providing for the construction or rental of facilities requisite to carrying out the needs of Ivy Tech Community College.
- (4) Perform or contract for the performance of periodic audits of the financial records of each region.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.263. Amended by P.L.169-2007, SEC.17.

IC 21-22-6-2

Regional board; appointment

Sec. 2. Whenever the state board of trustees establishes an administrative region, it shall appoint a regional board of trustees.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.263. Amended by P.L.169-2007, SEC.18.

IC 21-22-6-3

Regional board; membership

Sec. 3. The regional board of a region consists of at least seven (7) members, including at least five (5) members who are representative of the manufacturing, commercial, agricultural, labor, and educational groups of the region, all appointed by the state board of trustees. All members of the regional board must be residents of the region. Appointments are for three (3) year terms, on a staggered basis, and all trustees must be citizens of Indiana. Members may serve for an unlimited number of terms.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.263. Amended by P.L.169-2007, SEC.19.

IC 21-22-6-4

Regional board; vacancies

Sec. 4. A vacancy on the regional board shall be filled by appointment by the state board of trustees. The regional board shall nominate and submit to the state board the names of one (1) or more candidates to fill the vacancy within forty (40) days after the vacancy occurs. The state board of trustees may appoint one (1) of the persons nominated by the regional board or may reject all of the regional board's nominees. If the state board of trustees rejects all of the nominees from a regional board, the state board of trustees shall notify the regional board, and the regional board shall make one (1) or more additional nominations within forty (40) days after receipt of the notice. The state board of trustees shall then fill the vacancy from either the original group of nominations or from the additional nominations.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.263. Amended by P.L.169-2007, SEC.20.

IC 21-22-6-5**Regional board of trustees; election of officers**

Sec. 5. The members of the regional board shall annually elect a chairman, a vice chairman, and a secretary.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.263.

IC 21-22-6-6**Regional board of trustees; meetings**

Sec. 6. Meetings of the regional board shall be called in such a manner and at such times, and shall operate under such rules, as the regional board may prescribe. The regional board shall meet at least four (4) times annually.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.263.

IC 21-22-6-7**Regional board; quorum; votes**

Sec. 7. A majority of the regional board constitutes a quorum. The affirmative votes of a majority of the regional board are required for the board to take action on any matter.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.263. Amended by P.L.169-2007, SEC.21.

IC 21-22-6-8**Regional board; duties**

Sec. 8. A regional board shall do the following:

- (1) Make a careful analysis of the educational needs and opportunities of the region.
- (2) Develop and recommend to the state board of trustees a plan for providing postsecondary:
 - (A) general education;
 - (B) liberal arts education; and
 - (C) occupational and technical education;programs and appropriate workforce development, assessment,

and training services for the residents of that region.

(3) Develop and recommend a budget for regional programs and operations.

(4) Identify and recommend alternative methods of acquiring or securing facilities and equipment necessary for the delivery of effective regional programs.

(5) Facilitate and develop regional cooperation with employers, community leaders, economic development efforts, area career and technical education centers, and other public and private education and training entities in order to provide postsecondary general, liberal arts, and occupational and technical education and training in an efficient and cost effective manner and to avoid duplication of services.

(6) Determine through evaluation, studies, or assessments the degree to which the established training needs of the region are being met.

(7) Make recommendations to the state board of trustees concerning policies that appear to substantially affect the regional board's capacity to deliver effective and efficient programming.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.263. Amended by P.L.169-2007, SEC.22; P.L.234-2007, SEC.85; P.L.3-2008, SEC.137.

IC 21-22-6-9

Regional board; powers and duties

Sec. 9. A regional board may do the following:

(1) Adopt, amend, or repeal bylaws for the region, subject to the approval of the state board of trustees.

(2) Make recommendations to the state board of trustees concerning amendments to the charter of the region.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.263. Amended by P.L.169-2007, SEC.23.

IC 21-22-6-10

State board; recommendations

Sec. 10. Before taking any action under IC 21-27-6-3, IC 21-27-6-4, IC 21-31-2-5, IC 21-38-3-7(2), or IC 21-41-5-8 that would substantially affect a region, the state board of trustees shall request recommendations concerning the proposed action from the regional board for that region.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.263. Amended by P.L.169-2007, SEC.24.

IC 21-22-6-11

Public hearings concerning recommendations of regional board

Sec. 11. Upon request of a regional board that has submitted recommendations under section 8(7) or 10 of this chapter, the state board of trustees shall conduct public hearings concerning the recommendations at a regular or special meeting of the state board of trustees.

As added by P.L.2-2007, SEC.263.