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A military institution authorized and operated by the federal government to award degrees has a public board on which both the presiding officer and a majority of the other members are neither civilian employees of the military nor active/retired military. The board has broad and significant influence upon the institution's programs and operations, plays an active role in policy-making, and ensures that the financial resources of the institution are used to provide a sound educational program. The board is not controlled by a minority of board members or by organizations or interests separate from the board except as specified by the authorizing legislation. Both the presiding officer of the board and a majority of other voting board members are free of any contractual, employment, or personal or familial financial interest in the institution. **(Governing Board)**

Compliance       Partial Compliance       Non-Compliance

**Narrative:**

**The institution has a governing board of at least five members that is the legal body with specific authority over the institution.**

The governing board for Chattahoochee Valley Community College (CVCC) is the Alabama State Board of Education, which is comprised of nine [members](#) and is the legal body with specific authority over the institution. The Board members serve as trustees for the Alabama Community College System (ACCS). The Governor of Alabama is the President of the Board, and the remaining eight members are elected from eight districts (Code of Alabama 1975 § [16-3-1](#); Code of Alabama 1975 § [16-3-2](#); Code of Alabama 1975 § [16-3-3](#); State Board Policies [101.03](#), [101.04](#), and [101.05](#)).

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The Alabama State Board of Education is the active policy-making body for the Alabama Community College System (State Board Policy [101.01](#); Code of Alabama 1975 § [16-60-111.4](#)) and ensures that the colleges in the Alabama Community College System have adequate financial resources (State Board Policy [301.01](#); State Board Policy [304.01](#) and accompanying [guidelines](#); State Board Policy [318.01](#); Code of Alabama 1975 § [16-3-19](#)). At the State Board of Education Meeting on [February 26, 2009](#), the Board approved the issuance of revenue bonds to finance the construction of an instructional center at CVCC. On [October 28, 2010](#), the Board approved the allocation of State Workforce Development Funds to CVCC. The Board also approved on [September 27, 2012](#), the authorization to expend additional funds to renovate the Athletic Complex. These decisions are examples of the Board ensuring that CVCC has the financial resources needed to operate and continue sound educational programs and student services.

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As required by Code of Alabama 1975 § [16-3-7](#), the Alabama State Board of Education holds a regular annual meeting as well as regularly scheduled [meetings](#) during the year. A quorum,

constituted by a majority of the total Board membership, is required for the transaction of business. Each official act [requires](#) a motion, a second, and an affirmative vote from a majority of the members present. Evidence of the State Board's compliance with this can be seen in the minutes from Alabama State Board of Education Minutes, [December 9, 2010](#).

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Governor Bentley, the presiding officer of the Board, and all other voting members of the Board are free of any contractual, employment, or personal or familial financial interest in Chattahoochee Valley Community College (see table [2.2-A](#)). Each member of the Board is [required](#) to submit a [Statement of Economic Interests](#) to the Alabama Ethics Commission each year to indicate that they are free from financial interest in the colleges. Each employee at CVCC is required to list family relationships to any member of the State Board on the [Family Relationship Disclosure Form](#). No relationships have been noted by current employees of the College.

**Table 2.2-A**

<b>Board Member</b>	<b>Role on Board</b>	<b>Current Term Expires</b>	<b>Employment</b>	<b>Contractual, Employment, or Personal or Familial Relationship to CVCC</b>	<b>Method of Board Member Selection</b>
Governor Robert Bentley	President	2015	Governor	None	Code of Alabama <a href="#">16-3-1</a>
Tracy Roberts	Vice President District 1 Representative	2017	----	None	Elected*
Betty Peters	District 2 Representative	2015	—	None	Elected
Stephanie W. Bell	Vice President District 3 Representative	2013	—	None	Elected
Dr. Yvette Richardson	District 4 Representative	2015	Educational Consultant**	None	Elected
Ella B. Bell	President Pro Tem District 5 Representative	2013	—	None	Elected
Dr. Charles Elliott	District 6 Representative	2015	Anesthesiologist	None	Elected
Jeff Newman	District 7 Representative	2017	Retired Educator	None	Elected
Mary Scott Hunter	District 8 Representative	2015	Attorney, Siniard, Timberlake and League, P.C.	None	Elected

\*The members of the Alabama State Board of Education are elected by the constituents of their respective district.

\*\*Chattahoochee Valley Community College’s Human Resources Department and Business Office have no record of an employment or contractual agreement with Dr. Richardson in her role as an educational consultant.

<b>SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION</b>
<a href="#">Alabama State Board of Education Members</a>
<a href="#">Code of Alabama 1975 § 16-3-1 Composition, Election, Term of Office</a>
<a href="#">Code of Alabama 1975 § 16-3-2 Officers</a>

<a href="#"><u>Code of Alabama 1975 § 16-3-3 Qualifications of Members</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>State Board Policy 101.03: Composition, Election, Term of Office</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>State Board Policy 101.04: President and Vice President</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>State Board Policy 101.05: Qualifications of Members</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>State Board Policy 101.01: Governance Responsibility</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Code of Alabama 1975 § 16-60-111.4 Powers of the State Board of Education</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>State Board Policy 301.01: Financial Management</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>State Board Policy 304.01: Financial Reporting</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Guidelines for State Board Policy 304.01: Financial Reporting</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>State Board Policy 318.01: Audits</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Code of Alabama 1975 § 16-3-19 Acceptance of Federal Funds by Board</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Alabama State Board of Education Minutes, February 26, 2009 Meeting</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Alabama State Board of Education Minutes, October 28, 2010 Meeting</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Code of Alabama 1975 § 16-3-7 Meetings</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Alabama State Board of Education Meeting Schedule</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Alabama Administrative Code, 290-010-010-.04(4)&amp;(5)</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Alabama State Board of Education Minutes, December 9, 2010 Meeting</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Code of Alabama 1975 § 36-25-14 Filing of Statement of Economic Interests</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Statement of Economic Interests Alabama Ethics Commission</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Family Relationship Disclosure Form</u></a>