

MONTEREY PENINSULA COLLEGE
GOVERNING BOARD POLICIES

3000 SERIES EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND STANDARDS

A. Educational Programs

3045 Forums and Lectures

It is the policy of the Governing Board that all forums, lectures, and other presentations sponsored by the College shall be predicated upon the constitutional right of free speech and the philosophy that open discussion of the widest range of ideas is essential to the welfare of the public and a condition of a free and informed society.

College sponsored forum series or lectures, which are controversial in nature, shall, to the extent possible, be balanced by presenting differing views of the subject, and by providing for free and open discussion of the subject matter.

Those in charge of a program shall make it clear to the academic and larger community that sponsorship of guest speakers does not necessarily imply College approval or endorsement of the views expressed. Routine procedures shall be required by the College to assure that there is orderly scheduling of facilities and adequate preparation for the event, and that the occasion is conducted in a manner appropriate to an academic community. College control of procedures shall not be used as a device of censorship.

Formerly Governing Board Policy 8.7

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