## TRITON COLLEGE BOARD POLICY

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES, DISTRICT 504**

## **GOVERNANCE**

**DUTIES OF LEGAL COUNSEL** 

 POLICY
 1180

 ADOPTED:
 11/20/90

 AMENDED:
 12/17/91

Triton College will utilize the services of one or more legal firms, both on a continuing basis and as the need arises.

Working through the President, counsel shall advise the Board and administration on specific legal problems submitted to him/her, and make such other recommendations which he/she deems desirable on matters to benefit the college and its operation. The general counsel shall examine and advise on correctness or revisions to legal documents of the school. When requested, he/she shall scrutinize minutes of Board meetings, Board election activities, financial matters, land acquisition, court work, and provide other legal services as requested by the Board and President.

Legal firms or counsels shall be paid on a services rendered basis and submit an accounting of such services rendered with each request for payment.

The general counsel shall have had extensive experience in all phases of school law, including elections, tax anticipation warrants, annexation and disconnection proceedings, employment and dismissal of staff and other personnel matters, student matters, student organizations, acquisition of real estate, construction contracts, collective bargaining agreements, teacher strikes and injunctions, state financing of community colleges, and other matters which involve Illinois School Law.

When it is in the best interest of the school district and the Board of Trustees to employ specialists to supplement the regular attorneys, this may be accomplished either in conjunction with the regular attorneys or upon separate action from the Board of Trustees.