

# **POLICY**

Title: Delegation of Authority – Information and Technology

## **Policy Statement:**

The Board delegates to the President authority over College information and associated technology with the following executive limitations:

- A: Consultation with key stakeholders and business areas should precede any substantive operational and strategic changes to technology and its use.
- B: The Board will receive periodic reports that support the Board's role in strategic oversight and risk management.

**Approved:** Original copy signed by the Chair of the Board

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(Daniel Vandermeulen, Chair of the Board)

(Date)

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#### **Stakeholders Consulted Date:**

(SMT Policy Review Committee, April 30, 2013), (Senior Leadership Team Committee, June 5, 2018), (Policy Review Committee, October 9, 2018)

#### **Reference to other Documents:**

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act
Code of Ethics and Conduct Policy
Provincial Post-Secondary System Information Technology Management Control
Framework (Enterprise and Advanced Education)
Acceptable Use of Information Technology Regulation

### **Definitions:**

**Quality** means the definition of quality as defined in the commentary to the Mission Statement of Northern Lakes College.

Organizational Records Structure means a method of classifying College records for

storage and retrieval, retention, secure access, location of master records, and departmental ownership.

**Record** means a record in any form and includes notes, images, audio-visual recordings, x-rays, books documents, maps, drawings, photographs, letters, vouchers and papers and any other information that is written, photographed, recorded or stored in any manner, but does not include software or any mechanism that produces records." [Source: Revised Statutes of Alberta (RSA), 2000 Chapter F-25; Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Section 1 (1) (q)]

#### **Guidelines:**

- 1. All technology is managed to ensure high quality achievement of the College's goals.
- 2. All information must be managed throughout its lifecycle to ensure integrity, availability and appropriate level of confidentiality regardless of media.
- 3. Industry standard frameworks for information technology management should serve as a guide to managing the risks associated with information technology. Framework procedures shall be appropriate to the size of the organization and scalable for future growth.
- 4. Information is a College asset used for effective decision making and delivery of services. The President, or designate, will ensure that all information is strictly managed. One part of information management will be an Organizational Records Structure and archive.
- Appropriate and timely availability of information is the key to efficiency. All access
  to information will follow documented procedures and be restricted according to
  business needs.
- 6. Information and technology users will be aware of their responsibilities in protecting privacy, securing information, segregating duties and managing identity.
- 7. Integrity of College information shall be protected from the impacts of technological change.
- 8. A mechanism will be in place for receiving and discussing key stakeholder advice on the strategic directions of technology use at Northern Lakes College.
- 9. In support of College business, strategic technology directions will guide the technical/architectural design of the College.