136F.06 POWERS AND DUTIES.

Subdivision 1. **General authority.** The board shall possess all powers necessary to govern the state colleges and universities and all related property. Those powers shall include, but are not limited to, those enumerated in this section. The board shall prescribe conditions of admission, set tuition and fees, approve programs of study and requirements for completion of programs, approve the awarding of appropriate certificates, diplomas, and degrees, enter into contracts and other agreements, and adopt suitable policies for the institutions it governs. To the extent practicable in protecting statewide interests, the board shall provide autonomy to the campuses while holding them accountable for their decisions. Sections 14.01 to 14.47 do not apply to policies and procedures of the board.

Subd. 2. **Governance authority.** The board shall have the authority needed to operate and govern the state colleges and universities unless otherwise directed or prohibited by law. The board is responsible for its operations and necessary decisions unless these are specifically delegated by law to a state department or agency.

Subd. 3. **Office location.** Notwithstanding chapter 16B, the board may select the location for its central office.

History: 1991 c 356 art 9 s 5; 1Sp1993 c 2 art 9 s 4; 1994 c 572 s 2; 1995 c 212 art 4 s 10-12,64; 1996 c 398 s 33,34