The Board of Trustees of the Alabama Community College System shall be composed of the following members:

(1) The Governor, who shall be ex officio president of the Board.

(2) Seven members appointed by the Governor so that one member of the Board is a resident of each of the seven congressional districts in the State of Alabama. If a member appointed from a congressional district ceases to be a resident of the district from which he or she was appointed, the member shall vacate his or her office.

(3) One ex officio, non-voting member appointed by the Governor who is actively serving on the State Board of Education.

(4) One member appointed by the Governor from the state at large.

All members appointed by the Governor shall be free from any contractual, employment, personal, or familial interest in the Alabama Community College System.

Members appointed by the Governor from Congressional Districts 1, 3, 5, and 7 shall be appointed for an initial term of two years, and every four years thereafter. Members appointed by the Governor from Congressional Districts 2, 4, and 6, and from the state at large, shall be appointed for an initial term of four years, and every four years thereafter.

As vacancies occur on the Board for any cause, they shall be filled by the original appointing authority for the unexpired term, subject to confirmation by the Senate at the next succeeding regular session of the Legislature.

All appointees to the Board shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate and shall be confirmed before beginning a term of office. As vacancies occur on the Board for any cause, they shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term, subject to confirmation by the Senate in accordance with Alabama law before beginning service.

No employee of the state may serve as an appointed member of the Board. No appointed member of the Board may serve more than two consecutive terms of office. Other than the ex officio members of the Board, no person currently serving in any elected office may concurrently serve as a member of the Board.

The Board shall elect a Chairman and Vice Chairman from its eligible voting members annually at its regular July meeting.