



SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE

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Resolution 076.944.1 -- ~~Revise Constitution Short Term Courses to add Faculty co-Chair of Curriculum Committee to Senate Executive Committee - (PJ Sykes/MeLeod)~~

1st Reading: ~~Sept~~November 10~~3~~, 2007~~6~~

Mover: ~~Gary Holton~~Erica Specht

Second~~er~~: ~~Carl Luna~~Jonathan MeLeod

~~Whereas, the San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate Constitution was recently revised to better reflect the nature and structure of the San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate; and~~

~~Whereas, Curriculum is a major component of the Academic Senate mission; therefore, be it~~

~~Resolved, that the Faculty co-Chair of the San Diego Mesa College Curriculum Committee be added to the Academic Senate Executive Committee, and that the San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate Constitution be revised to reflect this change.~~

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

SECTION 1. OFFICERS: The officers of the Senate shall be:

- President,
- President-Elect, or a Vice-President,
- Immediate Past-President,
- Secretary,
- Treasurer,
- Senator-at-Large,
- Chair of Committee of Chairs,
- Faculty co-Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee,
- Chair of the Professional Development Committee,
- **Faculty co-Chair of the Curriculum Committee**
- Delegate to the State Academic Senate.

SECTION 2. DUTIES:

The duties of the officers shall be as specified in the Bylaws.

SECTION 3. ELECTION:

Nomination and election of all Senate elected positions shall be in accordance with the Education Code of California.

SECTION 4. TERMS IN OFFICE:

- A. The President shall serve for two years, and on the expiration of the term of office shall continue to serve the Senate as Immediate Past-President for one year. During this

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latter period, the Immediate Past-President shall not be eligible for another elective office and shall have duties as specified elsewhere in this Constitution and its Bylaws.

B. The President-Elect shall be elected in the spring and will serve for one year before taking office as the President in the following fall.

C. The Vice-President shall be elected in alternate years when there is no president elect and shall serve for a term of one year.

D. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected for a term of two years and may succeed themselves for as many terms as elected. The Secretary shall be elected in odd-numbered years and the Treasurer in even-numbered years.

E. The Chair of Committee of Chairs shall be elected for a term of one year by the sitting members of the Committee of Chairs from the pool of outgoing, continuing and newly elected Department Chairs. No person shall serve in this position for more than two consecutive terms.

F. The election of the Chair of the Committee of Chairs shall be held one month following the month specified in the contract for the election of Department Chairs.

G. The Senator-at-Large shall be elected for a term of two years.

H. The Delegate to the State Academic Senate shall be elected for a term of two years.

I. The Faculty co-Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee shall be elected for a one-year term by the faculty members of the committee.

J. The Faculty Chair of the Professional Development Committee shall be nominated by the committee and ratified by the Senate Executive Committee.

K. The Faculty co-Chair of the Curriculum Committee shall be nominated by the committee and ratified by the Senate Executive Committee.

L. All elections will take place during the Spring semester with the term of office shall beginning with the start of the following Fall semester.

Results of 1st Reading on September 10, 2007: Moved by Gary Holton, seconded by Carl Luna.

Results of 2nd Reading (if any) on September 24, 2007: Approved.

Presented to Academic Senate on September 10, 2007.

Approved at Academic Senate on September 24, 2007: Moved by Carl Luna, seconded by Gary Holton.

Whereas, the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges recommends that when a course of three or more semester or equivalent quarter units is to be offered in a time frame of a fewer than six weeks a separate review process shall be implemented; and

Whereas, the local curriculum committee has the responsibility as part of the curriculum approval process to engage the discipline faculty, working in cooperation with the department chairs, have the responsibility in curriculum development to assure in a separate review of the course for the following: critical thinking in, and reading, and written work, academic integrity

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and rigor, as well as, the method of meeting Carnegie units requirements, the ability of both the students to complete all and for the faculty to evaluate assignments, and of faculty to evaluate student performance; including those done outside of class, and the appropriateness of the method of delivery, to determine whether the course should be offered in a specific shortened time frame; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate direct; the Mesa College department chairs to engage with the discipline faculty, who are subject matter experts, in explaining, reviewing, explicitly reviewing and recommending approving all courses that will be offered in less than five weeks, regardless of the mode of instruction, in a separate review process, determining the extent to which the course advances critical thinking in reading and written work, and academic integrity, as well as compliance with Carnegie units requirements, and the prospect both that students will be able to complete all assignments, and that faculty will be able to evaluate student performance competently, Curriculum Committee to engage the discipline in reviewing and approving all courses for three or more units that will be offered in less than five weeks.

Results of 1st Reading on November 13, 2006: Tabled. Terrie Teegarden requested Senators review with dept.

Results of 2nd Reading (if any) on _____

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