

Resolution for Accessible Process for Requesting Agenda Items for the SAC Academic Senate Meetings

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Whereas, AB 1725 provided opportunities for involving faculty in matters of participatory governance and creating areas of responsibility known as the 10+1.

Whereas, one of the stated purposes of the SAC Academic Senate is “to represent the faculty in making recommendations to the administration of the College and the Board of Trustees with respect to academic and professional matters.”¹

Whereas, one of the stated purposes of the SAC Academic Senate is “to assure that the faculty has formal and effective procedures for participating in the formation of College policies on academic and professional matters in accord with the provisions of the California Administrative Code providing for the establishment of College Senates, especially Sections 53200 through 53206.”²

Whereas, all matters of importance that are brought forward by faculty for discussion and/or action should be heard and considered for inclusion (or not) on the agenda of an Academic Senate meeting,

Whereas, Santa Ana College should have an accessible and transparent process for any faculty member to request an item to be placed on the agenda of an Academic Senate meeting,

Whereas, the current process in place for requesting agenda items, as stipulated in the Academic Senate Bylaws is not being followed consistently,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Executive Board of the SAC Academic Senate develop and implement a more transparent process that clearly articulates the steps required to request an agenda item, the decision-making process for the acceptance or rejection of an item, and feedback to the requestor, as proposed by the Academic Senate Intersectionality, Race, & Social Justice Advisory Group (IRSJ).

¹ Santa Ana College Academic Senate. (2012). *Constitution of the Academic Senate of the faculty of Santa Ana College*. Santa Ana College.

https://www.sac.edu/President/AcademicSenate/Documents/Constitution%20and%20By-Laws/Faculty_Approved_CONSTITUTION.pdf

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