

## CONSTITUTION OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE OF THE FACULTY OF SANTA ANA COLLEGE

The name of this organization shall be The Academic Senate of the Faculty of Santa Ana College, herein referred to as Senate, faculty and College, respectively. Faculty shall be understood as all full-time and part-time certificated personnel whose primary assignment is at Santa Ana College and whose assignment does not include evaluation of other certificated personnel in a supervisory role. A supervisory role does not include the "peer review" or "tenure review process" in which the general faculty is expected to participate. While the Senate may call upon its members for the payment of professional dues as described in the Senate Bylaws, professional dues are not a condition of eligibility to membership in the Senate, and no sanctions will be imposed upon those members who do not pay such professional dues.

### PURPOSES

The Senate shall have the following purposes:

1. to promote the general welfare of the College, its faculty, and its students.
2. 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.
3. to encourage a sense of responsibility among faculty for maintaining a superior level of instruction and professional commitment.
4. 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.
5. to affiliate with other educational or professional organizations and the community to improve the status of community college education in California, especially with respect to matters directly affecting faculty.
6. to properly assume the role of the Academic Senate as mandated by AB 1725.

### AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended in the following ways:

- A. An Amendment may be proposed in writing to the Senate by the Executive Committee or by a member of the Senate. If accorded a favorable vote, the proposed Amendment shall be submitted for approval to the entire College faculty.
- B. An Amendment may be proposed by a petition to the Senate by twenty-five percent (**25%**) of the members of the College faculty; the President shall submit the proposed Amendment to the entire faculty as in (A) above.

Adoption by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast shall be required for adoption of an Amendment , and the Amendment shall become effective upon such adoption unless otherwise provided.

The selection process and duties of officers, the selection process and duties of members and the procedures and methods of operations of the organization will be detailed in the Senate Bylaws.