



ACADEMIC SENATE

The primary voice of the faculty in academic and professional matters at Santa Rosa Junior College.

AGENDA

DATE: August 19, 2020
TIME: 3:15 p.m.
ZOOM ID: 739 337 730
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OPEN FORUM

3 min./speaker, 10 min./topic. Options for delivering Open Forum comments include making your own statement or asking a colleague to read your statement when recognized (please use “raise hand” in Zoom), or emailing your statement in advance to ahopkins@santarosa.edu, to be read by the president.

MINUTES June 11, 2020; July 22, 2020

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

REPORTS President’s Report – J. Thompson (10 + 1)

CONSENT

1. Academic Senate Endorsement of Propositions 15, also known as The California Schools and Local Communities Funding Act of 2020
Shall the Academic Senate formally endorse Proposition 15?
2. Academic Senate Endorsement of Propositions 16, Repeal of Proposition 209
Shall the Academic Senate formally endorse Proposition 16?
3. Academic Senate Statement in Support of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Shall the Academic Senate state its support of the Chancellor’s Office’s “Proposed Changes to Title 5 Regarding the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Statement Adoption” and the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges’ “Inclusivity Statement”?

ACTION:

1. Formalizing of Language from July 22, 2020, Academic Senate Meeting 10 m
Shall the Academic Senate make and second a motion, and shall a vote be called, to formally adopt the following language from the July 22, 2020, discussion: Shall the Academic Senate endorse creation of a Black Studies major as the first and most urgent component of an Ethnic Studies program at SRJC and, to that end, partner with the Vice President of Academic Affairs in creating an ad-hoc task force of faculty, students, staff, and experts that will recommend the curricular content and requirements of such a program?

DISCUSSION:*

1. Senator Vacancy, Area 35 m
What shall be the recommendation of the Academic Senate regarding the vacancy in Area 10?
2. Status of Senators during the Summer 20 m
Shall the Bylaws be amended to specify that, in the event that the Academic Senate convenes during the summer, the sitting senator of an Area shall be the outgoing Senator or the incoming Senator, or that the outgoing and incoming Senators of an Area shall themselves collegially determine which is seated?
3. Black Student Union Demand: Faculty Professional Development (8) 30 m
Shall the Academic Senate identify, create, and offer communities of practice, a Racial Justice Seminar, an Equity and Justice Institute, SEED, and/or other faculty professional development opportunities in support of the faculty’s cultural competency, anti-racism, and inclusivity and anti-bias in hiring practices?

* If a discussion item is marked as urgent, it may be moved to the action agenda of the current meeting by a vote of 2/3 of senators present at the meeting, with the action vote immediately following.

** No action will be taken on information items.

Next Regularly Scheduled Senate Meeting: September 2, 2020

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ALL FACULTY MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND ACADEMIC SENATE MEETINGS

This Academic Senate is created to secure the professional rights and to carry out the responsibilities of the faculty of the Sonoma County Junior College District. The faculty has the traditional right of college faculty to participate in the governance of the College. As specialists in specific disciplines and as experienced instructors, the participation of the faculty in the governance of the College is essential for the District's pursuit of its mission. As professionals, the faculty has the right and a duty to set professional and ethical standards for the conduct of their profession and to promote the excellence of their profession. In order to achieve these ends and in accordance with Title 5 of the California Administrative Code, Subchapter 2, Sections 53200-53205, this Academic Senate is established.