

ACADEMIC SENATE OF SHASTA COLLEGE

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the organization shall be the Academic Senate of Shasta College (hereafter named Academic Senate).

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The primary purposes of the Academic Senate, as outlined in Title 5, Section 53200 of the California Code of Regulations, are to consult collegially with and make recommendations to the Board of Trustees or its designee with respect to district-wide academic and professional matters, and to represent the faculty of Shasta College in the formation of statewide policies on academic and professional matters. The Academic Senate shall:

- A. Represent the faculty of Shasta College in the formation and implementation of district policies on the following academic and professional matters:
 1. Curriculum, including establishing prerequisites.
 2. Degree and certificate requirements.
 3. Grading policies.
 4. Educational program development.
 5. Standards or policies regarding student preparation and success.
 6. College governance structures, as related to faculty roles.
 7. Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes.
 8. Policies for faculty professional development activities.
 9. Processes for program review.
 10. Processes for institutional planning and budget development.
 11. Other academic and professional matters as mutually agreed upon.

The Board of Trustees has agreed to "rely primarily" on the advice of the Academic Senate for numbers 1 through 3 above and to come to "mutual agreement" on numbers 4 through 11. When the board elects to rely primarily upon the advice and judgment of the Academic Senate, the board must accept the Senate's recommendation, and only in exceptional circumstances and for compelling reasons will the recommendation not be accepted. When the board elects to provide for mutual agreement, the board may not act without having reached agreement with the Academic Senate, except when the existing policy exposes the district to legal liability or causes substantial fiscal hardship.

- B. Actively participate at the state level with the state Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC)

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ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

A. MEMBERSHIP

Every full time and adjunct faculty member employed by Shasta College, whose assignment is not designated supervisory, managerial, or administrative, shall be considered a member of the Academic Senate.

B. AFFILIATION

1. The Academic Senate shall be a member of the ASCCC.
2. The Academic Senate shall not be affiliated with any other employee organization.

ARTICLE IV - DUTIES

- A. The Academic Senate shall conduct regular and special meetings as delineated in Article IV of the By-laws.
- B. The Academic Senate shall keep minutes of all its meetings. The minutes shall be available to all faculty members.
- C. The Academic Senate shall present its views and recommendations to the Board of Trustees through regularly established channels.
- D. The Academic Senate shall keep well-informed of ASCCC issues.

ARTICLE V - AMENDMENTS

Members of the faculty may propose amendments to the Shasta College Academic Senate CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS, as set forth in Article VII of the By-laws.