BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE RESOLUTION

Online Educational Initiative (OEI)

WHEREAS: The mission statement of Bakersfield College is to provide opportunities for students from diverse economic, cultural, and educational backgrounds to attain Associate and Baccalaureate degrees and certificates, workplace skills, and preparation for transfer;

WHEREAS: A strategic direction of Bakersfield College, Student Progression and Completion, is to embrace "A commitment to eliminate barriers that cause students difficulties in completing their educational goals";

WHEREAS: Online classes provide increased accessibility and flexibility for students to pursue educational goals in a timely manner;

WHEREAS: the Online Education Initiative has developed the infrastructure and systems to facilitate a streamlined enrollment process for students taking courses from multiple member colleges, facilitating student enrollment in C-ID courses, and the completion of transfer degrees;

WHEREAS: Membership in the Online Education Initiative will allow Bakersfield College the opportunity to eliminate barriers causing students difficulties in completing their educational goals by providing superior access to resources and greater support for online courses and programs aimed at increasing student achievement;

WHEREAS: It is understood the Online Education Initiative's registration and enrollment processes are designed to respect the policies and procedures in place at each member college, including registration dates, class start and end dates, prerequisites, and residency requirements;

Be It Resolved: The Bakersfield College Academic Senate highly recommends and endorses Bakersfield College's application to the Online Education Exchange.

Presented to Academic Senate, February 13, 2018