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| NAME OF COMMITTEE                         | <b>ACADEMIC SENATE</b>   |
| TYPE OF COMMITTEE                         | Governance <b>Body</b>   |
| COMMITTEE CHARGE                          | <p>The purpose of the Senate is to provide the means to represent the “Senate Association” in the formation and implementation of policy on academic and professional matters.</p> <p>In implementing policies, the Senate will represent the Senate Association” to the President of the College and to the Board of Trustees with respect to academic and professional matters {so called 10+1 issues} and exercise the powers granted by the California Education Code and the Board of Governors.</p> <p>The Senate shall assume primary responsibility in the areas of curriculum and academic standards as specified in the California Education Code.</p> <p>Senate By-laws also dictate, to some degree, the manner in which the above charge shall be accomplished.</p> |
| SCOPE OF AUTHORITY                        | <p>The Senate is the sole voice of the faculty and makes recommendations to the Board of Trustees or designee with respect to academic and professional matters {10+1}. District board policy states that the Board of Trustees shall rely primarily upon the recommendations of the Senate in these areas. Rely primarily on means:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recommendations of the senate will normally be accepted</li> <li>• Only in exceptional circumstances and for compelling reasons will the recommendations not be accepted</li> <li>• If not accepted, board/designee shall communicate reasons in writing, if requested (see Title 5.3 §53200)</li> </ul>   |
| PROVIDES REPORTS TO AND COMMUNICATES WITH | Board of Trustees and the college community  |
| MEMBERSHIP                                | <p>Chaired by the Academic Senate President</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senate Vice President</li> <li>• Senate Secretary</li> <li>• Senate Treasurer</li> <li>• Senate ASCCC Representative</li> <li>• Elected representatives-at least one from each academic department</li> <li>• 2 Elected adjunct faculty representatives</li> <li>• 1 SGA representative; 1 alternate (non-voting member)</li> <li>• Members of the Academic Senate Executive Board (non-voting members)</li> </ul>  |
| ALIGNMENT WITH ACCREDITATION              | <p>I. Institutional Mission and Effectiveness</p> <p>IV. Governance and Decision-Making</p>  |

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