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BP 2520 Academic Senate

Reference:

Education Code Section 70902(b)(7); Title 5, Sections 53200 et seq Accreditation Standard IV.A Board Policy 2510 Participation in Local Decision Making

The Academic Senate is organized under the provisions of the California Code of Regulations, Title 5, shall represent the faculty and make recommendations to the administration and to the Board with respect to academic and professional matters, so long as the exercise of such functions does not conflict with the lawful collective bargaining agreement. The "academic and professional matters" means the policy development and implementation matters listed in this policy.

The Board or its designee will consult collegially with the Academic Senate when adopting policies and procedures. The Board will rely primarily on faculty expertise on academic and professional matters as defined by Sub-Chapter 2, Section 53200, et seq., California Administrative Code, Title 5, and as listed below:

- 1. Curriculum, including establishing prerequisites and placing courses within disciplines;
- 2. Degree and certificate requirements;
- 3. Grading policies;
- 4. Educational program development;
- 5. Standards and policies regarding student preparation and success;
- 6. District and College governance structures as related to faculty roles;
- 7. Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation process, including self-study and annual reports;
- 8. Policies for faculty professional development activities;
- 9. Processes for program review;
- 10. Processes for institutional planning and budget development, and
- 11. Other academic and professional matters as mutually agreed upon between the Board of Trustees and the Academic Senate.

The Academic Senates' organization, membership functions and committee structure shall be developed by the Academic Senate.