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Expansion of the International Students Program Resolution 2012-06

Whereas, the Academic Senate is the organization whose primary function is to make recommendations with respect to academic and professional matters (Title 5, 53200), and is primarily relied upon for curriculum and instruction, for grading policies, education program development, for student preparation and success, and for degree and certificate requirements (Board Policy 3255); and,

Whereas, any expansion of the International Students Program is part of education program development and student preparation and success and therefore under the purview of the Academic Senate; and,

Whereas, potential expansion of the International Student Program has not been recommended by the Academic Senate, and that initiatives to revise, expand, assess, or implement education programs at Mt. San Antonio College require the full, prior participation of the faculty through the Academic Senate and its associated committees as part of collegial dialogue with the District; and,

Whereas, any expansion of the International Students Program must be thoughtfully considered during a time of fiscal crisis when class sections are being dramatically reduced;

Resolved, the Academic Senate insists that no action be taken on any expansion of the International Students Program until the potential impact to the College is fully researched through a shared governance procedure; and,

Resolved, the Academic Senate directs the Academic Senate President to refer the college President and the Board of Trustees to our formal commitment on shared governance practices.

Submitted by: Academic Senate Executive Board

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