Remote Academic Senate Meetings per AB 361

Academic Senate Resolution 2021-06

Whereas, The Mt. San Antonio College 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, for student preparation and success, and for degree and certificate requirements (Board Policy 3255);

Whereas, Assembly Bill 361 was passed on September 16, 2021 to amend Government Code 54953 and allow teleconference meetings to take place, in order to alleviate imminent risk to the health and safety of public meeting attendees;

Whereas, the State of Emergency declared by the Governor, pursuant to section 8625 of the California Emergency Service Act continues; and

Whereas, the Mt San Antonio Academic Senate is committed to the health and safety of all attendees while fostering public participation, and the current COVID-19 state of emergency poses a health and safety risk to immunocompromised members of the Senate and public for inperson meetings.

Resolved, that the Academic Senate and its subcommittees shall conduct meetings via teleconference for the next 30 days; and,

Resolved, that this Resolution should take effect immediately upon its adoption and shall be in effect for 30 days, at which time, the Academic Senate shall review the facts of the emergency and vote to renew this teleconferencing resolution if appropriate, in accordance with Government Code section 54953 and other applicable provisions of the Brown Act.

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