

AAUP/Academic Senate Agreement

Agreement on an Organizational Relationship Between the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (“ASCCC”) and the American Association of University Professors (“AAUP”)

Purpose

The AAUP and the ASCCC agree to an organizational partnership as a means of enabling the AAUP to contribute in a systematic fashion to the ASCCC’s ongoing mission of strengthening faculty governance in California community colleges. It is the parties’ shared belief that promoting adherence to AAUP principles and policies will insure to the benefit of two-year faculty and institutions in California.

Organizational Contacts and Communication

The AAUP shall designate a liaison to the ASCCC, and the ASCCC shall designate a liaison to the AAUP. Liaisons will be invited to all relevant meetings of each organization.

The AAUP shall invited interested officers of the ASCCC, as well as governance leaders from individual campuses, to attend workshops conducted by the AAUP that address governance and related concerns, and issues specifically relating to community colleges. The ASCCC will assist the AAUP in publicizing such workshops.

Programs and Services

AAUP staff and leaders will be available on a regular basis (anticipated as two events per year) as speakers, or as workshop or panel participants, at meetings such as the ASCCC spring and fall plenaries, the Leadership Institute, and other statewide meetings of a similar nature. Topics that may be addressed will consist of all areas of AAUP’s programmatic work, including the following:

- ▶ governance practices
- ▶ academic freedom and tenure
- ▶ part-time and non-tenure track appointments
- ▶ status of women and faculty of color
- ▶ economic status of the profession
- ▶ distance education and intellectual property
- ▶ legal developments
- ▶ government relations

If requested, and if logistically feasible, the AAUP will make speakers available to conduct additional educational forums on governance and other matters as noted above on individual campuses.

AAUP staff / leaders shall be available on an occasional basis to furnish guidance to the ASCCC regarding governance problems and other matters as noted above that arise on individual campuses, or of a statewide nature.

The AAUP shall advise the ASCCC and invites its governance leaders to participate in AAUP activities not specifically tailored for the ASCCC, including the following:

- ▶ national conferences on governance and other topics
- ▶ training opportunities, including: the annual Summer Institute; national leadership trainings dealing with academic freedom and governance matters; and regional trainings

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When the involvement of AAUP in a Technical Assistance Visit is called for, the AAUP shall make available knowledgeable individuals to: conduct a campus visit with necessary consultations; issue a written report incorporating recommendations for the parties on the campus; and conduct necessary follow-up. (It is the expectation of the AAUP and the ASCCC that such Technical Assistance Visits will be conducted on an infrequent basis, approximately one every two years. But it is understood that within the constraints of the availability of knowledgeable individuals, the AAUP may provide this service on a more frequent basis.)

The AAUP President will invite the president of the ASCCC to submit names of potential appointees to AAUP standing and ad hoc committees.

Financial Arrangements

For the services set forth above, the ASCCC shall make annual payments to the AAUP of \$10,000. At the option of the ASCCC, the payments may be made on a quarterly basis. The first payment installment will be due within 60 days of the effective date of this agreement.

The ASCCC shall reimburse the AAUP for actual reasonable expenses incurred (transportation, lodging, food) for on-site Technical Assistance Visits.

Duration

This agreement shall initially be for a period of three years, commencing January 1, 2000. The parties shall review its terms six months prior to expiration, with the intention of making any necessary revisions before renewing.

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