

Bookstore Committee Resolution

WHEREAS, books and bookstore prices play a vital part in a students education and are detrimental to low income students who are unable to enroll for certain classes due to prices;

WHEREAS, the books that professors require for a class are pivotal for a students success in the course and their academic carriers, but could go unused in the class and could be a waste of the students finances;

WHEREAS, issues of professors and the college bookstore may arise due to lack of communication and negligence on both sides;

WHEREAS, students and professors involvement in college governance is crucial to maintain the sanctity of the students voice and is stated in the California Education Code Section 70901(E), "Minimum standards governing procedures established by governing boards of community college districts to ensure faculty, staff, and students the right to participate effectively in district and college governance, and the opportunity to express their opinions at the campus level and to ensure that these opinions are given every reasonable consideration..."

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RESOLVED, that the Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC) and all Student Governments shall advocate for the creation of a new shared governance bookstore committee on all California Community College campuses.

RESOLVED, This committee shall serve in an advisory capacity to the College President and the Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services on all matters pertaining to the bookstore services.

RESOLVED, that the charge for the bookstore committee be stated as, "The Bookstore Advisory Committee is a shared governance committee that supports the college mission, goals and values through a comprehensive evaluation for providing access to instructional materials, including but not limited to, the bookstore's contract (hours of operation, pricing policies, refund policies and procedures, textbook ordering, and the availability of trade and supply items)."

RESOLVED, That the tasks, goals, and objectives of the committee be;

1. Promote the adoption of strategies to improve access to instructional material(s) for all students.
2. Serve as a conduit for the exchange of information and ideas between the College communities and the bookstore contractor on matters pertaining to bookstore services
3. Review pricing, refund and buy-back policies and procedures

4. Review the timeliness of textbook orders.
5. Provide advice and assistance to faculty regarding policies and procedures related to the selection and use of instructional material(s).
6. Work with the various constituent groups in a proactive way to ensure there is support for future bookstore offerings and operational plans, new program initiatives, and other issues which affect satisfaction, quality, and service orientation
7. Serve as an investigative body regarding problem and complaints from faculty, students, administrators or the bookstore contractor regarding operational processes affecting access to instructional material.
8. Create annual report related to contractual expectations, problems, and, complaints
9. Compile recommendations, commendations, and trends

RESOLVED, that the composition of this committee will be composed of,

1. Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services
2. Vice President of Instruction
3. Director of DSPS
4. 1 Dean
5. 1 faculty department chair appointed by the Academic Senate
6. 3 faculty appointed by the Academic Senate
7. 2 classified staff representatives appointed by the CSEA
8. 2 Student Government Association representatives
9. Representative from College Bookstore Contractor (Ex Officio)