# THE ACADEMIC SENATE FOR CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES, INC. BYLAWS

OFFICIAL BYLAWS (4/20/2013)	PROPOSED CHANGES	BYLAWS AFTER CHANGES	RATIONALE
ARTICLE I		ARTICLE I	
Definitions		Definitions	
Section 1. Definitions		Section 1. Definitions	
The following terms are to be understood in the		The following terms are to be understood	
restrictive and technical sense herein defined.		in the restrictive and technical sense	
		herein defined.	
A. Faculty Member: Any employee of a			
community college district who is employed in		A. Faculty Member: Any employee of	
an academic position that is not designated as		a community college district who is	
supervisory or management.		employed in an academic position	
		that is not designated as supervisory	
		or management.	
B. Academic Senate: As defined in Title 5 "An		B. Academic Senate: As defined in	
Academic Senate for California Community		Title 5 "An Academic Senate for	
Colleges has been established through		California Community Colleges has	
ratification by local academic senates or faculty		been established through ratification	
councils so that the community college faculty		by local academic senates or faculty	
of California may have a formal and effective		councils so that the community	
procedure for participating in the formation of		college faculty of California may have a formal and effective	
state policies on academic and professional		procedure for participating in the	
matters" (Title 5, Section 53206, California		formation of state policies on	
Code of Regulations).		academic and professional matters"	
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		Code of Regulations).	
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C. Member Senate: A local academic senate or	C. Member Senate: A local academic senate	C. Member Senate: A local academic	ASCCC is a nonprofit organization that
equivalent faculty organization certified by the	or equivalent faculty organization certified	senate or equivalent faculty organization	is subject to the laws for a nonprofit
Executive Committee of the Academic Senate	by the Board of Directors (also known as	certified by the Board of Directors (also	organization. The selected or elected
for California Community Colleges.	the Executive Committee) of the	known as the Executive Committee) of	leaders for a nonprofit organization is

		Academic Senate for California Community Colleges.	the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges.	usually known as the Board of Directors and the leadership group, the officers of ASCCC, are usually referred to as the Executive Committee. For the bylaws and the rules, the current Executive Committee will be referred to as the Board of Directors. This will clarify the legal responsibility of the elected representatives and reduce the chances that they are held legally or financially responsible for the organization.
D.	Equivalent Faculty Organization: Any organization of faculty members which, where a local academic senate does not exist, has among its primary purposes those enumerated for an academic senate under Title 5 of the Administrative Code, and has been certified as a Member Senate by the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges.	D. Equivalent Faculty Organization: Any organization of faculty members which, where a local academic senate does not exist, has among its primary purposes those enumerated for an academic senate under Title 5 of the Administrative Code, and has been certified as a Member Senate by the Board of Directors Executive Committee of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges.	D. Equivalent Faculty Organization: Any organization of faculty members which, where a local academic senate does not exist, has among its primary purposes those enumerated for an academic senate under Title 5 of the Administrative Code, and has been certified as a Member Senate by the Board of Directors of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges.	Replaces the Executive Committee with the Board of Directors to be consistent with Article I, Section 1C.
E.	Delegate: An individual who, (1) by reason of election as an officer or member of the Executive Committee or, (2) by selection by a Member Senate, enjoys full voting rights at both regular and special general sessions of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges. Any individual claiming Delegate status must also be in compliance with the provisions of Article II, Section 2.	E. Delegate: An individual who, (1) by reason of election as an officer or member of the Board of Directors Executive  Committee or, (2) by selection by a  Member Senate, enjoys full voting rights at both regular and special general sessions of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges. Any individual claiming Delegate status must also be in compliance with the provisions of Article II, Section 2.	E. Delegate: An individual who, (1) by reason of election as an officer or member of the Board of Directors or, (2) by selection by a Member Senate, enjoys full voting rights at both regular and special general sessions of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges. Any individual claiming Delegate status must also be in compliance with the provisions of Article II, Section 2.	Replaces the Executive Committee with the Board of Directors to be consistent with Article I, Section 1C.

F. Executive Committee: The officers and representatives elected by Delegates.	F. Executive Committee: The officers and representatives elected by Delegates. Board of Directors: The officers and representatives elected by Delegates as defined by California law (See Corporations Code Section 7210).	F. Board of Directors: The officers and representatives elected by Delegates as defined by California law (See Corporations Code Section 7210).	This change is intended to indicate that the members of the executive committee and the executive director serve as the Board of Directors for ASCCC.
	G. Officers: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and the Executive Director.	Treasurer, Secretary, and the Executive Director.	Added new G. to make the bylaws consistent with action taken by the delegates via Resolution 1.01 F09. The Officers Committee is similar to an executive committee of other non-profit boards. The inclusion of the executive director is consistent with the position adopted in resolution 1.01 F09.
G. Senator Emeritus: A title conferred by the Academic Senate for the purpose of recognizing	G. H. Senator Emeritus: A title conferred by the Academic Senate for the purpose of	H. Senator Emeritus: A title conferred by the Academic Senate for the	The criteria for senator emeritus are being moved to policy where they are easier to
the meritorious service of a faculty member upon	recognizing the meritorious service of a	purpose of recognizing the	modify. Criteria like these are not normally
or after retirement.	faculty member upon or after retirement.	meritorious service of a faculty member upon or after retirement.	part of the bylaws. This change does not eliminate the recognition as a senator emerity
1. Criteria	i. Criteria		
i. Emeritus status may be conferred upon a current or former faculty member	Emeritus status may be conferred upon a current or former faculty member		
ii. Who has completed at least five (5) years of significant service to the Academic Senate;	2. Who has completed at least five (5) years of significant service to the Academic		
iii. Who is recognized for exceptional contributions supporting the aims and functions of the Academic Senate; and	Senate; 3. Who is recognized for exceptional contributions supporting the aims and		
iv. Who has retired or submitted intent to retire within six months of the nominating resolution.	functions of the Academic Senate; and 4. Who has retired or submitted intent to retire within six		

2. Selection	months of the nominating		
i. Senator emeritus status is	resolution.		
conferred by resolution.			
ii. Resolutions for emeritus status	ii. Selection		
must come from area meetings	1. Senator emeritus status is		
	conferred by resolution.		
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	status must come from area		
	meetings		
H. Plenary Session: The bi-annual three-day event	H I. Plenary Session: The biannual three-	I. Plenary Session: The biannual event	The plenary session is usually three days.
at which the Academic Senate conducts its business.	day event at which the Academic Senate	at which the Academic Senate	This revision would allow the Academic
	conducts its business for a minimum of	conducts its business for a minimum	Senate to hold a plenary session that is
H. General Session: A single scheduled meeting	three days.	of three days.	four days or longer, if necessary.
held during the plenary session. The number of			
General Sessions during a plenary session will	I. J General Session: A single scheduled	J General Session: A single scheduled	
be based on need.	meeting held during the plenary session.	meeting held during the plenary	
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ARTICLE II	ARTICLE II	ARTICLE II	
Membership	Membership	Membership	
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The academic senate of each of the California	The academic senate of each of the California	The academic senate of each of the	
Community Colleges and the district academic senate	Community Colleges and the district academic	California Community Colleges and the	
of multi-college districts, or their equivalents, are	senate of multi-college districts, or their	district academic senate of multi-college	
Member Senates.	equivalents, are Member Senates.	districts, or their equivalents, are Member	
		Senates.	
Any academic senate recognized by its local governing	Any academic senate recognized by its local		
board as representing its faculty in academic and	governing board as representing its faculty in	Any academic senate recognized by its	
professional matters (as defined in Title 5 §53200) may	academic and professional matters (as defined in	local governing board as representing its	
apply for status as a Member Senate. The Executive	Title 5 §53200) may apply for status as a	faculty in academic and professional	Replaces the Executive Committee with the

Committee will certify such academic senates as Member Senates upon verification of the following:

- 1. A majority of full-time faculty members of a college or recognized center have voted in favor of forming an academic senate (Title 5 §53202 (a)).
- 2. The applying senate has a constitution and/or bylaws approved by the faculty it represents.
- 3. The governing board of the college or recognized center recognizes that organization as representing its constituency in academic and professional matters.
- 4. If a district academic senate is a Member Senate, that district senate recognizes the applying academic senate as representing the faculty of the college or recognized center it claims to represent.

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Board of Directors to be consistent with Article I, Section 1C.

The language on district senates was revised to improve clarity. District senates should be formed in a similar way to a local senate and be recognized by the local governing board as the representative for district issues involving academic and professional matters.

## Section 2. Delegates

Each Member Senate is entitled to designate any of its faculty members, in whatever manner it wishes, to be its one Delegate, who shall have full voting rights at each plenary session. The Delegate may transfer the responsibility for voting on resolutions, but not on elections, to a faculty member from the same district. Executive Committee members do not have the same right to transfer this responsibility. No Delegate shall

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This edit clarifies that members of the Executive Committee are not permitted to transfer their voting rights to anyone else and that Member Senate delegates are able to transfer their voting power for resolutions to another faculty member from the same district. No delegate can transfer their voting authority for elections.

be entitled to more than one vote, and a vote cannot be cast by proxy. In the event of a challenge, the Executive Committee shall be the sole judge of the credentials of a Delegate.	members may not delegate any of their responsibilities or rights as a member of the Board except as is specifically permitted by law or these Bylaws. do not have the same right to transfer this responsibility. No Delegate shall be entitled to more than one vote, and a vote cannot be cast by proxy. In the event of a challenge, the Board of Directors Executive Committee shall be the sole judge of the credentials of a Delegate.	from the same district. Board of Directors members may not delegate any of their responsibilities or rights as a member of the Board except as is specifically permitted by law or these Bylaws. No Delegate shall be entitled to more than one vote, and a vote cannot be cast by proxy. In the event of a challenge, the Board of Directors shall be the sole judge of the credentials of a Delegate.	
Section 3. Plenary Sessions The Academic Senate for California Community Colleges shall meet in plenary session at least two times during each academic year.	Section 3. Plenary Sessions The Academic Senate for California Community Colleges shall meet in plenary session at least two times biannually during each academic year.	Section 3. Plenary Sessions The Academic Senate for California Community Colleges shall meet in plenary session biannually during each academic year.	Brings the bylaws in alignment with our current practice of holding two plenary sessions each year.
ARTICLE III Officers  Section 1. List of Officers The officers of the Academic Senate shall include the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. All officers shall be elected at a general session of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges for one-year terms. The term of all officers shall be July 1 to June 30.	ARTICLE III Officers  Section 1. List of Officers The officers of the Academic Senate shall include the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, and the Executive Director. All officers The President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected at a general session of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges for one-year terms. The term of all elected officers shall be July June 1 – June May 30-31. The Board of Directors will appoint the Executive Director.	ARTICLE III Officers  Section 1. List of Officers The officers of the Academic Senate shall include the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and the Executive Director. The President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected at a general session of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges for one-year terms. The term of all elected officers shall be June 1 to May 31. The Board of Directors will appoint the Executive Director.	To make the bylaws consistent with action taken by the delegates via Resolution 1.01 F09.  The current term of office is from July 1 – June 30. Once executive committee members are elected, they begin their work very quickly and are responsible for attending orientation at the end of May and leading the Leadership Institute in June. The proposed change would allow the newly elected members to be official members of the executive committee and act on behalf of the organization.

Section 2. Vacancy in Office A vacancy in office shall be filled in accordance with the Senate Rules.	Section 2. Vacancy in Office A vacancy in office shall be filled in accordance with the Senate Rules.	Section 2. Vacancy in Office A vacancy in office shall be filled in accordance with the Senate Rules.	
Section 3. President's Term	Section 3. President's Term	Section 3. President's Term	
The President shall serve no more than two consecutive elected one-year terms.	The President shall serve no more than two consecutive elected one-year terms.	The President shall serve no more than two consecutive elected one-year terms.	
	A. The President shall  1. Oversee the preparation of the agenda for all plenary sessions and all meetings of The Board of Directors.  2. Preside over all plenary sessions and meetings of the Board of Directors.  3. Represent and act as the spokesperson for the Academic Senate and its Board of Directors.  4. Oversee the authorization of expenditures for the Academic Senate.  5. Appoint a parliamentarian, if desired, who shall serve at the pleasure of the President.  6. Assign duties and tasks to the members of the Board of Directors.  7. Perform any other function normally thought to be within the realm of a presiding officer that is otherwise not denied by the Bylaws, Senate Rules, or	<ul> <li>Section 4: Officers' Powers and Duties</li> <li>A. The President shall <ol> <li>Oversee the preparation of the agenda for all plenary sessions and all meetings of The Board of Directors.</li> <li>Preside over all plenary sessions and meetings of the Board of Directors.</li> <li>Represent and act as the spokesperson for the Academic Senate and its Board of Directors.</li> <li>Oversee the authorization of expenditures for the Academic Senate.</li> <li>Appoint a parliamentarian who shall serve at the pleasure of the President.</li> <li>Assign duties and tasks to the members of the Board of Directors.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	The duties of the officers are currently part of the senate rules, but they are usually part of the bylaws for a nonprofit organization like ASCCC. Moving these duties to the bylaws ensures that the any modifications to the officers' duties will require a 2/3 vote of the delegates present at a plenary session.  The duties of the Executive Director are not part of the bylaws because he/she is appointed by the Board of Directors, not elected by the delegates.

### Senate Policies.

#### B. The Vice President shall

- 1. Act as President in the absence of that officer.
- 2. <u>Succeed to the Presidency in the event of</u> the vacancy of that office.
- 3. Perform such functions as the President assigns to assist in carrying out the purposes and policies of the Academic Senate.

#### C. The Secretary shall

- 1. Oversee the keeping of the records of actions by the Board of Directors, including overseeing the taking of minutes at board meetings and plenary sessions.
- 2. Ensure the accuracy and presentation of minutes of all plenary sessions and Board of Directors meetings and their dissemination.
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#### D. The Treasurer shall

- 1. <u>Serve as an authorized signatory on all</u> accounts.
- 2. Shall, in conjunction with the Executive Director, oversee the budget preparation and shall ensure that appropriate financial reports are made available to the Board of Directors on a timely basis or as may be required by the Board of

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- 4. <u>Chair a committee for the purpose of drawing up the annual budget and hiring the auditor.</u>
- 5. Perform such functions as the President assigns in carrying out the purposes and policies of the Academic Senate.

#### E. The Executive Director

- 1. The Board of Directors shall appoint an Executive Director to conduct day to day management, supervise (including hiring, evaluation and termination) employed staff and contractors (except contractors, such as auditors and attorneys, who may report directly to the Board of Directors in some circumstances), and manage the office of the Senate.
- 2. The Board of Directors shall appoint an Executive Director pursuant to a majority vote at a regularly scheduled or special meeting. The Executive Director shall report to, and be evaluated by, the Board of Directors. The evaluation may be delegated by the Board of Directors to one or more members of the Board, for final review and approval by the Board.
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	decision, the Board of Directors must review the contract with the Executive Director and receive advice from a qualified attorney as to any legal consequences of this decision.  4. The official duties of the Executive Director shall be listed in a job description that is adopted by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at a regularly scheduled or special meeting.	meeting. Prior to any such decision, the Board of Directors must review the contract with the Executive Director and receive advice from a qualified attorney as to any legal consequences of this decision.  4. The official duties of the Executive Director shall be listed in a job description that is adopted by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at a regularly scheduled or special meeting.	
ARTICLE IV Executive Committee	ARTICLE IV <del>Executive Committee</del> Board of Directors	ARTICLE IV Board of Directors	To make the bylaws consistent with action taken by the delegates via Resolution 1.01
			F09 and Corporation Law.
Section 1. Membership	Section 1. Membership	Section 1. Membership	
The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers	The Executive Committee Board of Directors	The Board of Directors shall consist of the	
and ten representatives. All Executive Committee	shall consist of the officers_and ten	officers and ten representatives based upon	
members must retain their faculty status to continue in	representatives <u>based upon the geographic</u>	the geographic distribution of Member	
office.	distribution of Member Senates. All elected	Senates. All elected Board of Directors	
	Board of Directors Executive Committee	members must retain their faculty status to	
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	continue in office.		
Section 2. Selection and Term	Section 2. Selection and Term	Section 2. Selection and Term	The current term of office is from July 1 –
All candidates for election to the Executive Committee	All candidates for election to the Board of	All candidates for election to the Board of	June 30. Once executive committee
shall meet at least one of these criteria: 1) is a	Director Executive Committee shall meet at least	Directors shall meet at least one of these	members are elected, they begin their work
Delegate or a local senate president 2) has within the	one of these criteria: 1) is a Delegate or a local	criteria: 1) is a Delegate or a local senate	very quickly and are responsible for
last three years immediately preceding the election	senate president 2) has within the last three years	president 2) has within the last three years	attending orientation at the end of May and
been a local senate president or an Executive	immediately preceding the election been a local	immediately preceding the election been a	leading the Leadership Institute in June.
Committee member or officer or 3) has been	senate president or a Board of Directors n	local senate president or a Board of	The proposed change would allow the
nominated by a resolution of a Member Senate. The	Executive Committee member or officer or 3)	Directors member or officer or 3) has been	newly elected members to be official
minutes of the meeting at which that resolution was	has been nominated by a resolution of a Member	nominated by a resolution of a Member	members of the executive committee and
adopted must be submitted to the Elections Committee	Senate. The minutes of the meeting at which that	Senate. The minutes of the meeting at	act on behalf of the organization.
chair with the nomination of the individual. All	resolution was adopted must be submitted to the	which that resolution was adopted must be	

members of the Executive Committee, except the	Elections Committee chair with the nomination	submitted to the Elections Committee chair	
officers, shall be elected by the plenary session on the	of the individual. All members of the <u>Board of</u>	with the nomination of the individual. All	
basis of geographic representation as prescribed in the	<u>Directors</u> Executive Committee, except the	members of the Board of Directors, except	
Senate Rules and shall serve for two-year staggered	officers, shall be elected by the plenary session	the officers, shall be elected by the plenary	
terms. Terms of office shall commence on July 1 and	on the basis of geographic representation as	session on the basis of geographic	
end on June 30.	prescribed in the Senate Rules and shall serve for	representation as prescribed in the Senate	
	two-year staggered terms. Terms of office shall	Rules and shall serve for two-year	
	commence on June <del>July</del> 1 and end on May <del>June</del>	staggered terms. Terms of office shall	
	<del>30</del> 31.	commence on June 1 and end on May 31.	
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Section 3. Voting	Section 3. Voting	Section 3. Voting	1
All members of the Executive Committee shall have	All elected members of the Executive Committee	All elected members of the Board of	-
full voting privileges in the Executive Committee.	Board of Directors shall have full voting	Directors shall have full voting privileges	
	privileges oin the Board of Directors Executive	on the Board of Directors. Proxies shall	
	Committee. Proxies shall not be permitted. The	not be permitted. The Executive Director	
	Executive Director serves on the Board of	serves on the Board of Directors as a non-	
	Directors as a non-voting <i>ex officio</i> member.	voting <i>ex officio</i> member.	
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Section 4. Vacancy in Office	Section 4. Vacancy in Office	Section 4. Vacancy in Office	
A vacancy in office shall be filled in accordance with	A vacancy in office shall be filled in accordance	A vacancy in office shall be filled in	
the Senate Rules.	with the Senate Rules.	accordance with the Senate Rules.	
Section 5. Meeting	Section 5. Meeting	Section 5. Meeting	All meetings of the executive committee
The Executive Committee shall meet no fewer than	The Board of Directors Executive Committee	The Board of Directors shall meet no	will be conducted in accordance with the
five times each academic year.	shall meet no fewer than five times each	fewer than five times each academic year.	Academic Senate's Open Meeting Policy
	academic year. All meetings of the Board of	All meetings of the Board of Directors will	that outlines the requirements for the
Section 6. Powers and Duties	Directors will be held in compliance with the	be held in compliance with the Academic	Executive Committee meetings to follow
The Executive Committee shall adopt procedures,	Academic Senate's Open Meetings Policy.	Senate's Open Meetings Policy.	the spirit of the Brown Act and outlines
implement policies adopted at the plenary sessions,			specific requirements for the posting of
transact business, and perform other functions that are	Section 6. Powers and Duties	Section 6. Powers and Duties	agendas, minutes, public comments, and
not inconsistent with the intent, purposes, and	The Board of Directors Executive Committee	The Board of Directors shall adopt	when closed session is appropriate. This
provisions of the Bylaws and Senate Rules.	shall adopt procedures, implement policies	procedures, implement policies adopted at	policy only applies to meetings of the
	adopted at the plenary sessions, transact	the plenary sessions, transact business, and	Executive Committee per the position
	business, and perform other functions that are	perform other functions that are consistent	adopted in resolution 1.03 S14.
	not in consistent with the intent, purposes, and	with the intent, purposes, and provisions of	
	provisions of the Bylaws and Senate Rules.	the Bylaws and Senate Rules.	

Section 7. Recall Recall of a member of the Board of Directors shall follows procedures outlined in the Senate Rules.	Section 7. Recall Recall of a member of the Board of Directors shall follows procedures outlined in the Senate Rules.	A procedure for the recall of an elected executive committee member has been added to the Senate Rules to allow the delegates to recall an elected member of the board.
Section 8. Removal An elected member of the Board of Director may be removed from office for cause following the process outlined in the Academic Senate's Policy for the Removal of a Member of the Board of Directors.	Section 8. Removal An elected member of the Board of Director may be removed from office for cause following the process outlined in the Academic Senate's Policy for the Removal of a Member of the Board of Directors.	The removal policy includes language from the Academic Senate's Conflict of Interest Policy and establishes that an ad hoc group of five individuals (2 board members and 3 non-board members) to investigate allegations against a sitting board member. The findings of the ad hoc group will be presented at a regularly scheduled or special meeting of the Board of Directors in closed session (in accordance with the Senate's Open Meeting Policy). Following the presentation of the investigation and information from the board member under investigation, the a 2/3 vote of the board will be required for removal.

ARTICLE V		
<b>Committees and Appointments</b>		

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Section 2. Faculty Appointments to Other Groups

The President, in consultation with the Vice President and Executive Director, makes appointments to all other groups requiring faculty participation. When a new President is elected but has not taken office, the newly elected President will make appointments for faculty that will serve past May 31. These appointments are subject to approval by the appointee's Member Senate President.

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Appointments to standing committees are approved by the board of directors, typically at the first meeting of the year in August or September. Standing committees usually begin meeting in August.

In recent years, there have been many appointments that have been needed and there is often a short time between the request coming to the ASCCC office for faculty and the first meeting. This year, ASCCC has appointed more than 100 faculty to serve on groups for the Chancellor's Office and the three technology initiatives. There is no way to predict when these requests will come and the ASCCC needs to be able to respond quickly. Explicitly giving this authority to the President allows these appointments to be made to ensure that the faculty voice is present in all meetings where the faculty perspective must be represented.

When a new President has been elected, there has been a question about whether appointments should be made by the current President or the newly elected one. This change clarifies that the newly elected President should select faculty appointees that will continue to serve beyond the end of the current President's term.

Section 2. Committee Chair The Chair of each committee shall be selected for that position by the President with the approval of the Executive Committee.	Section 3. Standing Committee Chair The Chair of each committee shall be selected for that position by the President with the approval of the Executive Committee. The President shall select a member of the Board of Directors to serve as the Chair of each standing committee.	Section 3. Standing Committee Chair The President shall select a member of the Board of Directors to serve as the Chair of each standing committee.	Standing committee chairs are always members of the Executive Committee. Faculty that are not Board members are often selected to serve as the chairs of task forces, Chancellor's Office Advisory Groups, and other ad hoc committees.
Section 3. Special Assignments With the approval of the Executive Committee, the President may assign individuals special tasks.	Section 3. Special Assignments With the approval of the Executive Committee, the President may assign individuals special tasks.		This section is no longer needed because it is covered by the new section 2 for faculty appointments to other groups.
Section 4. Terms and Removal The terms of all persons appointed to committees or special assignments shall be for one year or any shorter period specified by the President. No person may serve more than two consecutive terms on any one committee unless such appointment is approved by the Executive Committee. Any appointee can be removed by a simple majority vote of the Executive Committee.	Section 4. Terms and Removal The terms of all persons appointed to standing committees or other faculty groups special assignments shall be for one year or any shorter period specified by the President. No person may serve more than two consecutive terms on any one committee unless the President or the Board of Directors Executive Committee approves such the appointment. Any appointee	Section 4. Terms and Removal The terms of all persons appointed to standing committees or other faculty groups shall be for one year or any shorter period specified by the President. Any appointee can be removed by a simple majority vote of the Board of Directors.	All appointments are typically for one year. There have been many occasions where faculty will be invited to serve for a second year, but the one year term of service gives more faculty the opportunity to serve at the statewide level.

	can be removed by a simple majority vote of the Executive Committee Board of Directors.		
ARTICLE VI	ARTICLE VI	ARTICLE VI	This will move the guidelines for caucuses
Caucus	Caucus	Caucus	into policy, meaning that a 2/3 vote would no longer be required to modify them.
Academic Senate caucuses are intended to serve as	Academic Senate caucuses are intended to serve	Academic Senate caucuses are intended to	S T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T
groups of independently organized faculty to meet,	as groups of independently organized faculty to	serve as groups of independently organized	
network, and deliberate collegially in order to form a	meet, network, and deliberate collegially in order	faculty to meet, network, and deliberate	
collective voice on issues of common concern that	to form a collective voice on issues of common	collegially in order to form a collective	
caucus members feel are of vital importance to faculty	concern that caucus members feel are of vital	voice on issues of common concern that	
and the success of students as they relate to academic	importance to faculty and the success of students	caucus members feel are of vital	
and professional matters.	as they relate to academic and professional	importance to faculty and the success of	
•	matters.	students as they relate to academic and	
The Executive Committee shall establish procedures		professional matters.	
and guidelines for caucuses that will be posted on the	The Board of Directors Executive Committee		
Academic Senate web site. A least ten members from	shall establish written policies, procedures, and	The Board of Directors shall establish	
at least four different colleges and at least two districts	guidelines for caucuses. that will be posted on	written policies, procedures, and	
with common goals and/or interests may form a caucus	the Academic Senate web site. A least ten	guidelines for caucuses.	
by sending a letter to the President, including its name,	members from at least four different colleges and		
statement of purpose, and list of members. Recognition	at least two districts with common goals and/or		
as a caucus shall be achieved by verification by the	interests may form a caucus by sending a letter to		
Executive Committee that the caucus' goals and	the President, including its name, statement of		
purpose are related to academic and professional	purpose, and list of members. Recognition as a		
matters and notification to the body through normal	caucus shall be achieved by verification by the		
communication channels. Each May, caucuses will	Board of Directors Executive Committee that the		
inform the President of their intent to remain active and	caucus' goals and purpose are related to		
provide a current list of membership. If a caucus fails	academic and professional matters and		
to alert the President of the desire to stay active, the	notification to the body through normal		
caucus shall be disbanded and a new letter of intent	communication channels. Each May, caucuses		
will need to be created to re-establish a new caucus.	will inform the President of their intent to remain		
The intent is to have caucuses that are active and	active and provide a current list of membership.		
represent current faculty in California community	If a caucus fails to alert the President of the		
colleges. Caucus chairs should be elected annually at	desire to stay active, the caucus shall be		
the first fall meeting of the caucus and submit meeting	disbanded and a new letter of intent will need to		
minutes to the Senate Office.	be created to re-establish a new caucus. The		

intent is to have caucuses that are active and

	represent current faculty in California community colleges. Caucus chairs should be elected annually at the first fall meeting of the caucus and submit meeting minutes to the Senate Office.		
ARTICLE VII Action  Section 1. Quorum A quorum for the conduct of the Executive Committee and all other committees shall consist of a number equal to the majority of the membership. A quorum for the conduct of a plenary or special session of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges shall be a majority of the Delegates registered.	ARTICLE VII Action  Section 1. Quorum A quorum for the conduct of the Executive Committee Board of Directors and all other committees is shall consist of a number equal to the majority of the voting membership. A quorum for the conduct of a plenary or special session of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges is shall be a majority of the Delegates registered. Quorum is required for any action to be taken.	ARTICLE VII Action  Section 1. Quorum A quorum for the Board of Directors and all other committees is the majority of the voting members. A quorum for a plenary or special session of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges is a majority of the Delegates registered. Quorum is required for any action to be taken.	This clarifies that a quorum is determined based on the actual number of persons on the committee, not including committee positions that are vacant at the time.
Section 2. Resolution Process The Academic Senate shall establish and maintain means by which to adopt resolutions.	Section 2. Resolution Process The Academic Senate shall establish and maintain means by which to adopt resolutions.	Section 2. Resolution Process The Academic Senate shall establish and maintain means by which to adopt resolutions.	
Section 3. Referendum  A. Any adopted resolution of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges may be rescinded by a referendum of the Member Senates, (see Article I, Section 1.C). The Academic Senate must receive proposals to rescind within 60 days after the plenary session at which the resolution in question was adopted. A proposal to rescind must be in the form of a Member Senate resolution signed by the Member Senate president. Such a referendum shall be held	Section 3. Referendum  A. Any action taken by the Board of Directors or Aany resolution adopted during a plenary session may be rescinded by a referendum of the Member Senates, (see Article I, Section 1.C). The Academic Senate must receive proposals to rescind within 30 60 days after the action at the Board meeting or the plenary session at which the resolution in question was adopted. A proposal to rescind must be in the form of a Member Senate	Section 3. Referendum  A. Any action taken by the Board of Directors or any resolution adopted during a plenary session may be rescinded by a referendum of the Member Senates, (see Article I, Section 1.C). The Academic Senate must receive proposals to rescind within 30 days after the action at the Board meeting or the plenary session at which the resolution in question was	This attempts to streamline the referendum process to allow the delegates to take action. Under the previous definitions, the referendum process would take so long that it would likely be time for the next plenary session, defeating the purpose of having a referendum process. The referendum process would overturn a previously adopted position, so it requires a 2/3 vote just like the overturning of a previously adopted position.

<ul> <li>if at least one-fifth (1/5) of the Members request it within 60 days after the mailing of the adopted resolutions packet of the session at which the resolution was adopted.</li> <li>B. Upon receipt of such requests from at least 1/5 of the members, the President shall mail ballots on the referendum to each Member Senate within 30 days of receiving the needed number of requests.</li> </ul>	resolution signed by the Member Senate president. Such a referendum shall be held if at least one-fifth (1/5) of the Member Senates request it within 30 60 days after the mailing distribution of the approved minutes or adopted resolutions packet of the session at which the resolution was adopted.  B. Upon receipt of such requests from at least 1/5 of the Member Senates, the President shall distribute mail ballots on the referendum to each Member Senate within 30 15 days of receiving the needed number of requests.	adopted. A proposal to rescind must be in the form of a Member Senate resolution signed by the Member Senate president. Such a referendum shall be held if at least one-fifth (1/5) of the Member Senates request it within 30 days after the distribution of the approved minutes or adopted resolutions packet of the session at which the resolution was adopted.  B. Upon receipt of such requests from at least 1/5 of the Member Senates, the President shall distribute ballots on the referendum to each Member Senate within 15 days of receiving the needed number of requests.	
<ul> <li>C. Ballots must be returned to the Academic Senate within 90 days from the day the ballots were mailed. The referendum shall pass if the majority of all the Member Senates vote in favor of it. The Academic Senate Resolutions chair will certify the results.</li> <li>D. If the referendum is approved, then the resolution of the plenary session is rescinded and becomes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>C. Ballots must be returned to the Academic Senate within 90 30 days from the day the ballots were mailed distributed. The referendum shall pass if the majority 2/3 of all the Member Senates vote in favor of it. The Academic Senate Resolutions chair will certify the results.</li> <li>D. If the referendum is approved, then the</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>C. Ballots must be returned within 30 days from the day the ballots were distributed. The referendum shall pass if 2/3 of all the Member Senates vote in favor of it.</li> <li>D. If the referendum is approved, then the Board action or resolution of the plenary session is rescinded and</li> </ul>	
null and void.  Section 4. Communications	Board action or resolution of the plenary session is rescinded and becomes null and void.  Section 4. Communications	becomes null and void.  Section 4. Communications	All agendas and minutes of the Executive
In order to provide adequate communication with the	In order to provide adequate communication	In order to provide adequate	Committee and meetings of standing
faculty of the California Community Colleges, the	with the faculty of the California Community	communication with the faculty of the	committees will be available to the public
Academic Senate shall make available to all faculty	Colleges, the Academic Senate shall make	California Community Colleges, the	except when those materials are
agendas and minutes of its meetings, committee reports	available to all faculty agendas and minutes of its	Academic Senate shall make available to	confidential.
and other pertinent information on pending matters.	meetings, committee reports and other pertinent	all faculty agendas and minutes of its	

	information on pending matters, except to the extent that said materials are privileged or confidential and not subject to disclosure pursuant to law.	meetings, committee reports and other pertinent information on pending matters, except to the extent that said materials are privileged or confidential and not subject to disclosure pursuant to law.	
ARTICLE VIII	ARTICLE VIII	ARTICLE VIII	
Amendments of the Bylaws	Amendments of the Bylaws	Amendments of the Bylaws	
Section 1. Proposal Proposed amendments to these Bylaws shall become part of the plenary session agenda upon receipt by the President of a resolution in the form of:  A. A petition of one-fifth (1/5) of the Member Senates, or  B. A petition of the majority of the Executive Committee, or  C. A petition presented at any of the first four general sessions and signed by a majority of registered Delegates present at the general session at which it was proposed.  A petition under A or B above must be received in time	Section 1. Proposal Proposed amendments to these Bylaws shall become part of the plenary session agenda upon receipt by the President of a resolution in the form of:  A. A petition of one-fifth (1/5) of the Member Senates, or B. A petition of the majority of the Executive Committee Board of Directors, or C. A petition presented at any of the first four general sessions and signed by a majority of registered Delegates present at the general session at which it was proposed.	Section 1. Proposal Proposed amendments to these Bylaws shall become part of the plenary session agenda upon receipt by the President of a resolution in the form of:  A. A petition of one-fifth (1/5) of the Member Senates, or  B. A petition of the majority of the Board of Directors, or  C. A petition presented at any of the first four general sessions and signed by a majority of registered Delegates present at the general session at which it was proposed.	
to be noticed in writing to the Member Senates for discussion at pre-plenary session area meetings.	A petition under A or B above must be received in time to be noticed in writing to the Member Senates for discussion at pre-plenary session area meetings.	A petition under A or B above must be received in time to be noticed in writing to the Member Senates for discussion at preplenary session area meetings.	The requirement of the 2/3 vote is consistent with previous practice and is now being specified in the bylaws. It is also consistent with the position taken during the voting at the Fall 2014 plenary
Section 2. Ratification The resolution for amending the Bylaws shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the registered Delegates present and voting.	Section 2. Ratification The resolution for amending the Bylaws shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the registered Delegates present and voting.	Section 2. Ratification The resolution for amending the Bylaws shall require a two-thirds (2/3) of the registered Delegates present and voting.	session.
ARTICLE IX	ARTICLE IX	ARTICLE IX	

Procedures	Senate Rules Procedures	Senate Rules	
Section 1. Senate Rules The Academic Senate for California Community Colleges shall adopt Rules to implement the intent and purposes of these Bylaws. In cases not provided for in the Senate Rules, the procedures contained in Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall govern the meetings of the plenary sessions and Senate committees.  Section 2. Adoption Senate Rules shall be adopted by resolution. Senate Rules may be changed by resolution.	Section 1. Senate Rules The Academic Senate for California Community Colleges shall adopt Rules to implement the intent and purposes of these Bylaws. In cases not provided for in the Senate Rules, the procedures contained in Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall govern the meetings of the plenary sessions and Senate committees.  Section 2. Adoption Senate Rules may shall be adopted, amended or rescinded by resolution action of the Academic Senate acting in Pplenary Session. Senate	Section 1. Senate Rules The Academic Senate for California Community Colleges shall adopt Rules to implement the intent and purposes of these Bylaws. In cases not provided for in the Senate Rules, the procedures contained in Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall govern the meetings of the plenary sessions and Senate committees.  Section 2. Adoption Senate Rules may be adopted, amended or rescinded by action of the Academic	This clarifies that the Senate acting in plenary session enact Senate Rules.
	Rules may be changed by resolution.	Senate acting in plenary session.	
	ARTICLE X Emergency Action	ARTICLE X Emergency Action	
	Section 1. Emergency Action The Board of Directors or elected Officers (Article III) may, as permitted by Corporations Code Sections 7140 and 7151, take actions or conduct business as necessary to protect the interests of the Academic Senate and its membership in the event of an emergency. A written record of all actions taken shall be maintained, and all such actions shall be subject to review by the Academic Senate at its plenary session.	Section 1. Emergency Action The Board of Directors or elected Officers (Article III) may, as permitted by Corporations Code Sections 7140 and 7151, take actions or conduct business as necessary to protect the interests of the Academic Senate and its membership in the event of an emergency. A written record of all actions taken shall be maintained, and all such actions shall be subject to review by the Academic Senate at its plenary session.	This reflects a new provision of California law that allows governance to be streamlined in the event of an emergency, as may be necessary to protect ASCCC.