

Appendix A

CONSTITUTION OF CAÑADA COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Cañada College Academic Senate

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

The purposes of this Senate shall be: (1) to promote the general welfare of Cañada College and the San Mateo County Community College District, (2) to promote the welfare of the faculty and to represent the Senate in its relations with the District, (3) to work toward the development and improvement of professional standards, (4) to act as a body, and (5) to provide for continuous study of Senate problems.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 “Faculty”: For purposes of authorizing the creation of the Academic Senate, each member of the College’s faculty shall be entitled to one vote. (“Faculty” is used here as defined in Section 131.6, Subsection 1, of the Administrative Code, Title 5, State of California, and means those certificated persons employed by the College District who do not perform any services for the College that require administrative or supervisory credential.)

Section 2 “Member of the Academic Senate”: The Academic Senate shall include all certificated full-time faculty employed under contract by the College whose duties are restricted to teaching, librarianship, and/or counseling, and all part-time salaried certificated faculty teaching three or more units per semester.

Section 3 Consistent with Section 13532 of the California Education Code, the Academic Senate may call members for the payment of professional dues. However, professional dues are not to be a condition for eligibility to membership in the Senate, and no sanctions are to be imposed upon members who do not pay such professional dues. Collection of dues payments may be accomplished through receipt from the members of personal checks made payable to the Cañada College Academic Senate or by payroll deduction.

ARTICLE IV – POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Consistent with this constitution, all authority and responsibilities of the Senate and all Senate committees shall be exercised by, through and with the approval of the Governing Council.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS AND GOVERNING COUNCIL

Section 1 The officers shall be the president, vice president, secretary and treasurer.

Section 2 The Governing Council shall consist of the officers and other representatives as outlined in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VI – OFFICIAL MEETINGS

Section 1 A quorum for a meeting of the Senate shall consist of those Senate members present.

Section 2 A quorum for a meeting of the Governing Council shall consist of a simple majority of the Council members.

Section 3 A quorum for a meeting of all other committees shall consist of a simple majority of the committee members.

ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS

Section 1 This Constitution may be amended by a 60% affirmative vote of the Senate votes cast, provided notice, in writing, of a proposed amendment has been filed with the Senate secretary and copies have been sent to the members of the Senate at least two weeks preceding the election. Proposed amendments must be signed by at least 10% of the members of the Senate.

Section 2 The Bylaws may be amended by a simple majority affirmative vote of the Senate votes cast, provided notice, in writing, of a proposed amendment has been filed with the Senate secretary and copies have been sent to the members at least two weeks preceding the election