

Resolution of the De Anza College Academic Senate
Review, Documentation, and Clarification of Shared Governance Processes and
Bodies

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Whereas, Research and experience suggest shared governance works best when pathways to engagement are transparent and when stakeholders are invested in and cognizant of institutional decision-making processes and bodies;

Whereas, Title 5 codifies and FHDA Board Policy re-states the responsibility of the Academic Senate for joint development of shared governance;

Whereas, The College's recently adopted Educational Master Plan and 6-year assessment cycle illustrate the need to clarify shared governance processes;

Whereas, The College's current accreditation self-study, especially Standard II and IV, amplify the need to clarify shared governance processes; and

Whereas, Many of the recommendations made in the 2004 evaluation of shared governance processes have yet to be implemented;

Resolved, That the De Anza Academic Senate urge the De Anza College Council to engage in a comprehensive review of shared governance processes and bodies, to include the following:

- Document shared governance processes
- Clarify and modify the current decision-making chart
- Produce a shared governance handbook (brief summary description of shared governance groups, their charge, membership, role in shared governance decision-making, etc.)