

Resolution of Student Government Stipend

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Whereas, the high cost of living within the Foothill-De Anza College District results in a limited amount of individuals who are willing and able to engage in a student leadership position without financial compensation.

Whereas, De Anza College values the intellectual contributions of a diverse spectrum of people and cultures, due to the heavy time commitment that is required of DASB Senators, students who cannot afford to dedicate unpaid hours are unable to participate, thus leading to a disproportionate representation of the student body.

Whereas, the DASB senate oversees a budget of one million dollars and is responsible for the approval of funds relating to all student activities, ICC, clubs, and campus programs. Senators attend, at the minimum, a general senate meeting, an internal committee meeting, two office hours, and an external shared governance per week. Many senators are part of multiple committees and shared governances dedicating upwards of fifteen hours of work to the DASB Senate on a weekly basis with an additional ten field hour requirements quarterly

Whereas, chairs carry additional responsibilities including overseeing the structure and organization of their respective committees and are responsible for the appointment and instruction of vice-chairs and committee officers. The DASB Vice President tracks, monitors the attendance of all meetings and chairs the election committee. The DASB president represents the De Anza student body at numerous committee meetings, shared governances, school events, and approves the general senate agenda.

Resolve: Beginning in the 2020-2021 academic year, student senators should be paid an amount by FHDACCD commensurate to their work according to local minimum wage for a value of 10 hours a week with chairs and executives being paid for a value of 15 hours a week, for 10 weeks per quarter in which they serve.