Resolution 06.11.1 - Short Term Courses: J. McLeod

First Reading: November 13, 2006

Mover: Erica Specht

Second: Jonathan McLeod

Whereas, the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges recommends that when a course of three or more semester or equivalent quarter units is to be offered in a time frame of a fewer than six weeks, a separate review process shall be implemented; and

Whereas, the local curriculum committee has the responsibility as part of the curriculum approval process to engage the discipline faculty, working in cooperation with the department chairs, have the responsibility in curriculum development to assure in a separate review of the course for the following: critical thinking in and reading, and written work, academic integrity and rigor, as well as , the method of meeting Carnegie units requirements, the ability of both the students to complete all and for the faculty to evaluate assignments, and of faculty to evaluate student performance; including those done outside of class, and the appropriateness of the method of delivery, to determine whether the course should be offered in a specific shortened time frame; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate directs the Mesa College department chairs to engage with the discipline faculty, who are subject matter experts, in explaining ,reviewing, explicitly reviewing and recommending approving all courses that will be offered in less than five weeks, regardless of the mode of instruction, in a separate review process, determining the extent to which the course advances critical thinking in reading and written work, and academic integrity, as well as compliance with Carnegie units requirements, and the prospect both that students will be able to complete all assignments, and that faculty will be able to evaluate student performance competently. The Curriculum Review Committee (CRC) to engage the discipline in reviewing and approving all courses for three or more units that will be offered in less than five weeks.

Results of 1st Reading on November 13, 2006: Tabled, Terrie Teegarden requested Senators review with their departments.

Results of 2nd Reading (if any) on February 12, 2007: Modified by Jonathan McLeod and Question was called by Erica Specht.

Presented to the Academic Senate: November 13, 2006

Approved at Academic Senate:

Moved by Erica Specht - Second by Dwight Furrow