

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE

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## **Resolution 06.5.3 – Implement Recycling Program at Mesa (E. Rempala/B. Brothers)**

1st Reading:May 22, 2006Mover:Erica SpechtSecond:Paul Sykes

**Whereas**, The San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate recognizes that the State of California currently promotes recycling at all levels of society and has specific laws concerning the legality of dumping of used electronic equipment, mercury containing devices, batteries, and fluorescent bulbs to name a few; and

**Whereas**, The San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate recognizes that the City of San Diego currently adds 9 million pounds of trash per day to the local landfills (Miramar) and that this landfill is targeted to close in 2012; and

**Whereas**, The San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate recognizes that various student groups and management have initiated student-centered recycling programs on campus that have fizzled out or have been weakly promoted and sustained; and

**Whereas**, The San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate recognizes that the district and college have a recycling goal of 50 percent of its waste and that Mesa currently recycles 42% of its waste; and

**Whereas**, The San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate recognizes a lack of a significant recycling program on campus such as campus wide waste such as plastic and glass bottles, aluminum cans, and office waste such as paper and used ink cartridges; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That San Diego Mesa College and/or the District should be a leader in the City of San Diego and State of California in promoting and educating all factions on campus on the environmental issues facing our society; and be it

**RESOLVED,** That the San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate request that discussions begin between campus/district administrators, plant operation staff, faculty representatives, classified staff, and students regarding the development and execution of a well thought out and comprehensive recycling program that is campus/district run. The ultimate goal of this program is for Mesa to become a Zero-Waste campus.

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