District Planning Committee
College Governance Handbook Template

9/23/2009

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   B. Synopsis of contents (Decision-making processes, committees with charges, memberships, etc. relationships & linkages.)
   C. Assembled by whom?
   D. Date of expected revision?

IV. District Governance
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d. The Personnel Commission (one paragraph)

V. College Governance
   A. College Governance Vision & Philosophy (“We are committed to…”)

   B. College Governance Principles (Participatory Vision, Transparency, Accountability, Respect, etc.)

   C. Statutory Authority
      1. Title V
      2. AB 1725
      3. Board Rules
      4. AFT Contract, etc.

   D. Definition of Consultation (1 page: includes “recommendations” not decisions, etc.)
      1. Role of the Academic Senate
         a. Rely primarily upon
         b. Mutually agree upon
      2. Role of Associated Students
      3. Roles of Organized Labor
      4. Role of the College Administration
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   G. College Strategic Planning Goals (Bullet points)

   H. College Planning Cycle (Paragraph and diagram)

I. College Budget Prioritization Cycle (Paragraph and diagram)

J. College Participatory Governance Committees (One page template for each.)
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3. Accreditation Steering Committee
4. State Equipment Instructional Fund Allocation Committee
5. Information Technology Committee
6. Facilities Planning Committee
7. Bond Oversight Committee
8. Student Success Initiative Committee
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10. Student Equity Committee
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12. Diversity/Community Committee
13. Graduation Committee
14. Calendar Committee
15. Travel/Conference Committee

K. College Senate Committees (One page template for each.)
   1. Academic Senate
   2. Senate Executive Committee
   3. Academic Rank Committee
   4. Curriculum Committee
      a. Technical Review Committee
   5. Educational Planning Committee
   6. Educational Policy Committee
   7. Program Review Committee
   8. Program Viability Review Committee
   9. Faculty Position Prioritization Committee
 10. Professional Development Committee
 11. Student Learning Outcomes Committee
 12. Distance Learning Committee
 13. Enrollment Management Committee

L. College Administrative Councils & Committees (One page template for each.)
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   2. Department/Division Chairs Council
   3. Administrative Services Council
   4. Student Services Council
   5. Staff Development & Position Prioritization
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   8. Matriculation Advisory Committee
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   1. College Foundations?
   2. 501C3s

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