

November 9, 2021 Napa Valley College Academic Senate Planning and Budget Issues

Whereas, processes for institutional planning and budget development are 10+1 academic and professional matters, with respect to which the Napa Valley College Academic Senate is empowered, by law, to make recommendations;

Whereas, the NVC Academic Senate leadership has acted in good faith in attempting to revise Board Policies and Administrative Procedures to ensure clarity, transparency, effective participation and collegial consultation, as demonstrated by the work of the 2020 Summer Policy Taskforce;

Whereas, the NVC Academic Senate has communicated its concern about the lack of integration of the planning and budget processes to the Office of the President and to the Council of Presidents, including sending Administrative Procedure 3250 Institutional Planning back to the Planning and Budget Committee on February 26, 2021, with annotations, noting the lack of linkages in AP 3250 between the planning process and resource allocation;

Whereas, the NVC Academic Senate has noted and communicated its concerns about recent changes in the practices of the Planning and Budget Committee, including merely reviewing and approving plans and budgets developed by administrators in isolation, instead of adhering to the past practice of creating or modifying the Institutional Strategic Plan and institutional budget in committee, in the spirit of effective participatory governance;

Whereas, the lack of Administrative Procedures describing a transparent and integrated resource allocation and budget development process that is driven by program review and planning continues to impede the ability of units to plan, and creates vagueness and distrust within the NVC community;

Whereas, the absence of a clear, established, and effective participatory process in planning and budget development, coupled with an administrative culture of using siloed and obscure approaches to resource allocation, has impeded NVC's ability to address Standard III.D in the ISER, thereby negatively impacting our ability to substantiate and communicate our processes to ACCJC;

Resolved, the NVC Academic Senate instructs the Faculty Co-Chair of the Planning and Budget Committee, as a representative of the Academic Senate, to encourage the Planning and Budget Committee to organize multi-constituent workgroups to revise and create, respectively, AP 3250 Institutional Planning and AP 6200 Budget Process, using D1150 as a guide, to ensure Napa Valley College has an integrated and transparent planning and budget process, developed



through participatory governance, and driven by program review, student success, and accomplishment of mission, completing this task by April 2022;

Resolved, the NVC Academic Senate and the Academic Senate Executive Committee will receive monthly updates as to the status of AP 3250 and AP 6200.