

# **Resolution on the Reporting Structure and Responsibilities of the Distance Education Committee (DECOS)**

Whereas, the Distance Education Committee (DECOS) exists as a sub-committee of the Educational Technology Committee (ETC);

Whereas, the College of the Sequoias and College of the Sequoias faculty unions COSTA and COSAFA have negotiated and ratified updated Master Agreements; and

Whereas, the updated Master Agreements grant additional responsibilities and powers to the Distance Education Coordinator and DECOS; and

Whereas, the role of DECOS has grown and changed significantly over the last decade in response to the increase of online course offerings, regulatory changes, and faculty needs; and

Whereas, the current reporting structure is no longer effective or efficient given the separate work, goals, and initiatives of the DECOS Committee, including the execution of the new responsibilities set forth in the Master Agreement;

Resolved, that the DECOS Committee shall no longer be a sub-committee of ETC; and

Resolved, that the DECOS Committee shall be a sub-committee of the Academic Senate; and

Resolved, that the DECOS Committee shall update their charge, membership, and responsibilities to reflect the language in the Master Agreement; and

Resolved, that the District Governance Manual will be updated to reflect these changes;

## **Timeline for Implementation**

1. Update DECOS Committee's charge, membership, and responsibilities: To be completed within 2 months of resolution adoption.
2. DECOS Committee transition to reporting directly to the Academic Senate: To be formalized within 2 months of resolution adoption.
3. District Governance Manual updates: To be completed and reflected in the manual for the subsequent academic year.