



District Governance Senate – Governance Survey

April 2018

District-wide feedback is valued and it is integral to our improvement efforts at the College of the Sequoias (COS). This report contains a detailed statistical analysis of the results to the survey *District Governance Senate – Governance Survey*. The purpose of this survey is to provide District Governance Senate members with an opportunity to reflect on their shared governance experience at COS.

The results analysis includes answers from all respondents who took the survey in the 15-day period from April 3 to April 18, 2018. A total of 16 responses were received to the survey during this time **(16/18)**.

Please be aware that survey results are only reported in the aggregate so that the privacy of the respondent is protected. Disclosure of the personally identifiable information to unauthorized parties violates the Family Education Rights & Privacy Act ([FERPA](#)). This report includes comments/responses to open-ended questions and may include sensitive information. Please use this information only for its intended purpose and handle it in a professional and careful manner as required by the General Ethical Standards ([COS AP 3050](#)).

The Office of Research, Planning and Institutional Effectiveness is happy to provide assistance with interpretations of the survey results, if needed.

For additional survey data and analysis, please submit a Data/Research Request Form:
<http://www.cos.edu/About/Research/Pages/Data-Request-Form.aspx>

Q1 Based on your involvement with the District Governance Senate, on a scale of 1 – 4, (1 strongly disagree, 2 disagree, 3 agree, 4 strongly agree) score each of the following:

Answered: 16 Skipped: 0

	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE	TOTAL
The senate/committee/council met its roles and responsibilities.	0% 0	0% 0	44% 7	56% 9	16
Adequate and appropriate resources are available to support my work on this senate/committee/council.	0% 0	0% 0	44% 7	56% 9	16
The workload of this senate/committee/council is appropriate.	0% 0	0% 0	56% 9	44% 7	16
The senate/committee/council was effective in completing its initiatives.	0% 0	0% 0	50% 8	50% 8	16
The senate/committee/council stayed on task.	0% 0	0% 0	44% 7	56% 9	16
The senate/committee/council adhered to Robert's Rules of Order.	0% 0	0% 0	54% 7	46% 6	13

Q2 How could the District Governance Senate improve its effectiveness in regard to meeting its roles and responsibilities?

Answered: 7 Skipped: 9

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	more in-depth discussion on relevant issues; focus on 1-3 major initiatives and address those at each meeting	4/16/2018 9:46 PM
2	More standard way of reporting out to various stakeholders.	4/10/2018 10:25 AM
3	No suggestion	4/10/2018 8:16 AM
4	Keep the web site updated.	4/9/2018 4:26 PM
5	Closer focus on it's initiatives throughout the year	4/3/2018 10:50 AM
6	With this being my first year in DGS, I feel everything is working well so far.	4/3/2018 10:27 AM
7	The DGS must do a better job at convincing Senators to attend meetings to ensure we are able to achieve quorum so we can take action on agenda items that need decision made.	4/3/2018 10:20 AM

Q3 How might the District Governance Senate improve its effectiveness in regard to accomplishing its initiatives?

Answered: 6 Skipped: 10

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	less reporting of information and more time to discuss and address initiatives	4/16/2018 9:46 PM
2	Calendar for P&P approval	4/10/2018 10:25 AM
3	No suggestion	4/10/2018 8:16 AM
4	Closer focus on it's initiatives throughout the year	4/3/2018 10:50 AM
5	By continuing to stay organized and on task with meeting outline and agenda.	4/3/2018 10:27 AM
6	The DGS must do a better job at convincing Senators to attend meetings to ensure we are able to achieve quorum so we can take action on agenda items that need decision made.	4/3/2018 10:20 AM

Q4 What resources are needed to assist the District Governance Senate in performing its operations?

Answered: 5 Skipped: 11

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	probably some training on major actions/objectives from the strategic plan	4/16/2018 9:46 PM
2	I appreciate Meghan's diligence in getting resources to members out ahead of the meeting times.	4/10/2018 9:45 AM
3	No suggestion	4/10/2018 8:16 AM
4	Continuing to have a suitable location to hold meetings.	4/3/2018 10:27 AM
5	No additional resources are needed.	4/3/2018 10:20 AM

Q5 What topics should be addressed by the District Governance Senate next year?

Answered: 4 Skipped: 12

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	new legislation; strategic plan objectives and actions	4/16/2018 9:46 PM
2	Review the Committee Structure and their tasks Review Vision, and Values	4/10/2018 8:16 AM
3	Topics required that are outlined in the policy manual.	4/3/2018 10:27 AM
4	The DGS should conduct a review of their current committees and determine if there are other district-wide issues that continue to be ignored, such as harassment and discrimination matters.	4/3/2018 10:20 AM

Q6 Are there any additional roles or responsibilities the District Governance Senate should be fulfilling?

Answered: 6 Skipped: 10

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	maybe more leadership in the changes coming from the state; better reporting out to constituents	4/16/2018 9:46 PM
2	Meghan does a great job supporting those who have to submit reports.	4/10/2018 10:25 AM
3	Ensure that there is adequate succession plans as well as find ways to encourage the development of the district employees	4/10/2018 8:16 AM
4	No	4/3/2018 10:50 AM
5	At the moment, I believe DGS is meeting its responsibilities.	4/3/2018 10:27 AM
6	No additional roles or responsibilities are needed.	4/3/2018 10:20 AM