

College Operating Procedures (COP)



Procedure Title: Faculty Senate
Procedure Number: 03-1109
Originating Department: Provost/Vice President of Academic Affairs

Specific Authority:

Board Policy n/a
Florida Statute n/a
Florida Administrative Code n/a

Procedure Actions: Adopted: 06/01/10; 02/15/11

Purpose Statement: The Faculty Senate of Florida SouthWestern State College (College) shall have as its purpose the provision of a means for effective involvement of those persons directly concerned with the academic process in governance matters not reserved for the collective negotiations process.

Guidelines:

The Faculty Senate of the College has both a district and a campus presence with the District Senate meeting twice yearly during Professional Development Days prior to the Fall and Spring semesters and the Campus Senates meeting monthly on each of the campuses. Special meetings of both can be called, if necessary.

Procedures:

Faculty Senate meets monthly on each campus in addition to its two meetings a year as a district body. Each Senate has three officers: a president, a vice president, and a secretary. Officers are elected by the assembled body at the final meeting of the year, serving a term of one year each. The presidency of the District Faculty Senate rotates yearly among the various campuses. Any faculty member may attend Faculty Senate. The President prepares an agenda prior to the meeting to address any issue of concern to faculty members regarding academic issues. Issues discussed during the meeting lead to recommendations which are brought by the Senate president to the Campus President, Center Provost, or Senior Vice President during a regularly scheduled monthly meeting. The following month, the Campus President, Center Provost, or Senior Vice President reports back to the membership of the Faculty Senate on the status or resolution of those issues.