



## **The Academic Senate of Los Angeles Pierce College Constitution**

### **Article I Name and Enabling Authority**

#### **Section 1**

The name of the organization shall be the Academic Senate of Los Angeles Pierce College.

#### **Section 2**

The organization shall function in accordance with the California Code of Regulations, Title 5 Sections 53200–53206, and any other State legislation which modifies the responsibilities of Academic Senates in the California community college system.

### **Article II Purpose**

#### **Section 1**

The purpose of the organization shall be to provide the faculty with a formal and effective organization through which it can participate in the formation of policies concerning academic and professional matters.

#### **Section 2**

In addition, the Academic Senate shall carry out effectively all professional responsibilities delegated to the Academic Senate by State and Board of Trustees regulations.

### **Article III Membership**

Membership in the Academic Senate of Los Angeles Pierce College shall consist of faculty, as defined in the California Code of Regulations, Title 5 Sections 53301 and 53302.

## **Article IV Amendments to the Constitution**

### **Section 1**

To qualify for submission to the faculty, the proposed amendment(s) to this constitution must achieve a majority vote of the Academic Senate or must have signatures of at least 20% of the faculty eligible to vote for Senate officers on a petition carrying the text of the proposed amendment(s).

### **Section 2**

Amendment(s) to this Constitution may be presented for ratification to the faculty eligible to vote for Senate officers at each general election of the Academic Senate officers and at-large Senators. The text of the proposed amendment(s) must appear on the ballot.

### **Section 3**

The amendment(s) must receive approval by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast by the faculty eligible to vote for Senate officers.

## **Article V Rules of Order and Bylaws**

### **Section 1**

Rules of Order shall be adopted by the Academic Senate.

### **Section 2**

Bylaws shall be established by the Academic Senate.

## **Article VI Suspension of the Bylaws**

A majority vote of the Academic Senate may suspend the Bylaws at a regular meeting of the Academic Senate.

This revised version was approved by the Pierce College Academic Senate on February 22, 2016 and adopted by the vote of the faculty on April 25, 2016.