Modesto Junior College
Academic Senate
Resolution: SP11-A
Grant Approval Workgroup

Proposed by: Senate Executive Board

Whereas: The difficulties created by the shrinking state budget allocation to community colleges may be somewhat mitigated by an increased reliance on grant funding; and

Whereas: Applying for grants requires a very rapid timeline, often needing as little as 4 weeks from announcement to closing; and

Whereas: Grant applications require the signature of the Senate President before they may be submitted to a grantor for consideration; and

Whereas: For many years this very rapid pace has not allowed sufficient time for the Senate to review the application and authorize the Senate President’s signature before the deadline; and

Whereas: A Senate committee of faculty could meet the needs for faculty oversight of grant applications while accommodating the timeline of the grant application process.

Therefore: Be it resolved, that the Modesto Junior College Academic Senate form and convene a Grant Approval Workgroup; and

Therefore: Be it also resolved, that this workgroup be composed of the Senate President and 3 tenured faculty members. The workgroup would meet as needed to evaluate grant applications in order to approve or refuse the Senate President’s signature. The decisions of this committee would be brought before the Senate for ratification. Should an approval not be ratified, the grant application would be withdrawn from consideration, even if it may already have been submitted to a grantor.

First Reading:

Final Action:

Disposition: