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Resolution F2020.13

Equity Considerations for Camera Use in Synchronous Remote Instruction Courses

Moved: CIC Chair Evett

Seconded: Senator Gates

Whereas, The shift to remote instruction in March of 2020 made it difficult for instructors to recreate the same type of experience present in face-to-face classes;

Whereas, Many instructors now require their students to turn their web camera on throughout a remote live class session;

Whereas, The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) recently released Legal Opinion 2020-12 related to the practice of requiring students to keep their camera on during synchronous remote instruction; and

Whereas, There are several equity considerations created by the mandatory use of cameras that faculty should consider prior to requiring students to keep their camera on at all times;

Resolved, That the Academic Senate of Santiago Canyon College support the document "Equity Guidance for Camera Requirements During Live Zooms", disseminate this document to all Santiago Canyon College faculty, and encourage all Santiago Canyon College faculty to use the considerations in the document when developing the camera use policy for their courses.

Date Presented: 17 November 2020

Date Passed: 1 December 2020

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