

Accommodated Testing Resolution

Whereas accommodated testing for students with disabilities is mandated by federal and state legislation, and

Whereas over 500 accommodated tests were administered at this college each semester including midterm and final examinations, and

Whereas Special Services has operated this service for full-time and associate faculty in the past using hourly proctors, readers, scribes and a classified coordinator position that are now vacant due to budget cuts, and

Whereas faculty have been forced to make arrangements for such accommodations independent of Special Services staff this semester due to Special services budget cuts and increased costs, and

Whereas faculty have neither appropriate space nor appropriate teaching schedules to provide needed and mandated testing accommodations, requiring faculty to administer tests at additional times with additional services including oral administration and extra time which represent additional duties for faculty;

Be it resolved that the Saddleback College Academic Senate supports general fund budget supplements to the Special Services Department to allow 10 reinstatement of the classified position which is now vacant, in order to coordinate accommodated test proctoring services and 20 payment to hourly proctors, readers and scribes for delivery of accommodated testing services to students with disabilities at Saddleback College.