#### 2403 **ARTICLE 17** 2404 **EVALUATIONS** 2405 2406 **Probationary, Tenured and Part-Time** 2407 2408 The parties agree, during the term of this agreement, to form a subcommittee to review and 2409 update student evaluation forms and the processes for their collection in the classroom and other 2410 instructional spaces and to negotiate the terms for incorporation of student evaluations in the 2411 formal evaluation process for faculty members. The student evaluation instrument and process 2412 will be determined prior to student evaluations being incorporated into the faculty evaluation 2413 process. It is the intent of both parties that the results of student evaluations shall be fully 2414 integrated into the faculty performance review process by the 2023-2024 academic year. Until 2415 agreement is reached, the current materials and processes will be used. 2416 2417 **Purpose** 2418 2419 The primary purpose of the evaluation of faculty is the continued improvement of instruction and 2420 instructional support services. 2421 2422 17.1. Probationary Faculty Evaluations 2423 The four-year probationary period is intended to provide sufficient time for the new 2424 faculty member to understand the expectations of a tenured faculty member, to develop the skills and acquire the experience to participate successfully in the educational 2425 process, and to use appropriate resources for professional growth and development. 2426 Faculty recommended for tenure, therefore, must reflect this standard of excellence in 2427 their performance of faculty duties and interaction with students and colleagues. 2428 2429 2430 a. **Probationary Period** 2431 2432 A probationary faculty member must be evaluated at least once in each academic 2433 year of service. (Educ. Code §87663(a).) The probationary period is ordinarily a 2434 four-year process (as described in Educ. Code §§87600-87612): 2435 2436 (1) Step One – Initial Hiring: First Contract (one year) 2437 2438 A probationary faculty member (or contract employee) is hired initially on a one-year contract (§87605). In order to receive a year's credit toward 2439 2440 attainment of tenure the faculty member must work at least 75% of the number of days in the regular academic year (§87468). This means that 2441 2442 the faculty member must work both the fall and spring semesters (§87601). If a faculty member is hired in the spring semester, the first year 2443 2444 will not be complete until the faculty member teaches a complete 2445 academic year, usually during the academic year following the semester of 2446 hire.

Step Two – Second Contract (one year)

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If a probationary faculty member is not notified of the Board's decision not to issue a contract for the following academic year on or before March 15 of their first year, they are issued a second one-year contract (§§87608 and 87610(a)).

- (3) Step Three Third Contract (two years)
  If a probationary faculty member is not notified of the Board's decision not to issue a contract for the following academic year on or before March 15 of the second year, they are issued a third, two-year contract (§§87608.5 and 87610(a)).
- (4) Step Four Granting Tenure

If the probationary faculty member is not notified on or before March 15th of the fourth year that the Board has decided not to employ (i.e., to dismiss) the faculty member as a permanent, tenured employee for all subsequent years, the faculty member will return in the fall of the subsequent academic year as a permanent, tenured employee (§§87609 and 87610).

## b. Tenure Review Committee (TRC)

A Tenure Review Committee (TRC) will follow the candidate(s) through the entire probationary period. Members of this committee have an obligation to commit to the time frame, uphold the confidentiality of the tenure review process, uphold the principles of equal employment opportunities, promote and respect diversity and equity, review appropriate documents, and conduct fair and unbiased evaluation for the purpose of reaching a tenure decision.

Committees for different probationary faculty members may have the same membership but will function separately. However, general team orientation meetings about the tenure review process may be conducted with multiple TRCs at the division, college, or District level.

Appointment to a TRC will count toward fulfillment of a faculty member's college service obligation, and may be eligible for staff development credit as appropriate.

The TRC will be comprised of the following four persons:

(1) The dean, who is a participating member, is responsible for overseeing the evaluation process, collecting all evaluation materials, and submitting the annual Faculty Performance Evaluation report as prepared by the TRC, including a recommendation regarding the continued employment of the probationary faculty member.

2495 (2) Two (2) tenured faculty members from the department and/or division/school, or related department and/or division/school, who will 2496 serve as participating members. The appointment of these faculty 2497 2498 members will follow consultation and consensus between the dean and the 2499 department chair(s). 2500 2501 (3) In addition, the probationary faculty member will be responsible for 2502 selecting a full-time faculty member to serve as a mentor, who will be an 2503 advisory member of the TRC. The purpose of the mentor is to serve as an 2504 advisor to support and assist the probationary faculty member. The mentor will attend all TRC meetings where the probationary faculty member is 2505 2506 present, but will not contribute to the writing or creation of the evaluation 2507 report. The mentor is not required to do an observation, but may at the 2508 request of the probationary faculty member. The mentor should be a 2509 faculty member who is familiar with the tenure review process and 2510 evaluation procedures as contained in the Academic Employee Master Agreement and with department and division/school policies and 2511 procedures. Probationary faculty members may replace their faculty 2512 2513 mentor at their discretion. 2514 (4) The appointed members of the TRC shall remain the same throughout the 2515 2516 entire tenure review process except in extenuating circumstances. If a participating faculty member of the TRC becomes unavailable or unable to 2517 continue, or if a conflict of interest is identified as agreed to by the 2518 Association and the District, the dean shall appoint a replacement faculty 2519 member in consultation and consensus with the department chair(s) or the 2520 2521 Academic Senate if the conflict is with the department chair or there is no department chair. 2522 2523 2524 **Probationary Faculty Evaluation Components** c. 2525 2526 (1) Self-Evaluation 2527 2528 (a) It is essential that each probationary faculty member take full 2529 responsibility for the appropriate portions of their tenure review process. 2530 2531 2532 The probationary faculty member will submit to the TRC a (b) portfolio including a report of college, District or committee 2533 2534 service; accomplishments (such as publications, exhibitions or 2535 performances); awards and achievements; appropriate class 2536 materials such as sample syllabi and assignments; goals and 2537 objectives for the next evaluation cycle; mentoring opportunities; 2538 and other pertinent documents. 2539 2540 (2) **Instructional Activity Observations** 

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2549		(b)	Each evaluation shall include at least one (1) observation, lasting at
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2563		(b)	For those faculty members who engage in instruction outside of the
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2566			days of student contact sessions (i.e., student appointments or
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2570		(c)	Student evaluation materials shall be available to the TRC and may
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- iii. items relevant to the instructional duties assigned to the probationary faculty member, including adherence to Board Policy and college processes and deadlines;
- iv. a review of activities which are outside of the instructional duties, including those defined within Board Policy and the appropriate job posting;
- v. information regarding participation in curriculum development and review, and in development and assessment of student learning outcomes. Any information included in the probationary faculty member's evaluation regarding participation in curriculum or student learning outcome processes must be verified and documented.
- (b) Faculty members shall not be held accountable for any aspect of the educational program over which they have no authority.
- (c) Evaluations are to be based on the materials described in this article. Hearsay statements, rumors or information from anonymous sources, other than student evaluations, shall be excluded from written evaluations. The TRC may include in the written evaluation information which has been documented through a completed investigation subsequent to a complaint, the findings of which investigation have been delivered to the faculty member under evaluation prior to the inclusion of this information in the evaluation report.

## (5) Follow-up Procedures

- (a) If the faculty member's performance receives an overall rating below "Meets Standards," the TRC will develop a performance improvement plan, including follow-up activities, dates of completion, and measurable outcomes to address those performance issues requiring correction. A performance improvement plan may be developed by the TRC for a rating below "Meets Standards" in any individual category. A performance improvement plan shall not be required for probationary faculty members who have been notified that they will not be recommended for further employment with the District.
- (b) The TRC, including the mentor, will meet with the probationary faculty member to discuss the summary report.

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- (b) The TRC meets with the new faculty member (and throughout the four-year process as appropriate).
- (c) TRC membership is reported by the dean to the appropriate vice president for each new faculty member by September 15.
- (d) The TRC meets with the faculty to discuss the process, format, objectives, timelines, and expectations.
- (e) The probationary faculty portfolio shall be submitted to the TRC by October 15.
- (f) Student evaluations are to be initiated prior to November 1 for the fall semester and prior to April 1 for the spring semester. The results of the student evaluations shall be discussed with the TRC and the probationary faculty member. Copies of the student evaluations will be provided to the probationary faculty member after the due date for grades.
- (g) Observations are completed and returned to the dean by November 15.
- (h) Post-visit discussions to be held with the faculty member prior to December 1.
- (i) The TRC reaches its recommendation and completes a written report by December 15.
- (j) The recommendation of renewal or non-renewal is submitted by the dean to the appropriate vice president and the president no later than December 20.
- (k) Letter of non-renewal or one (1) year renewal will be sent no later than March 15. If a probationary faculty member is not notified of the Board's decision not to issue a contract for the following academic year on or before March 15 of their first contract year, they will be issued a second one-year contract.
- (l) A new faculty member whose initial hire date begins with the spring semester will be evaluated during the spring semester and again during the fall semester of the subsequent academic year.
- (2) Second Contract Year
  - (a) Follow the same timeline and process as the first contract year.

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## (2) Instructional Activity Observation

The appropriate dean, or designee will make scheduled classroom/worksite/electronic visits as described below:

- (a) The faculty member and dean or designee will mutually agree on the course(s) or equivalent in which the scheduled observation(s) will take place, so that the faculty member may be observed under optimum conditions displaying their abilities.
- (b) Each evaluation shall include at least one (1) observation, lasting at least fifty (50) minutes. For on-line classes, the faculty member will present the course to the evaluator during an observation lasting at least fifty (50) minutes.

## (3) Student Evaluations

(a) Student evaluations will be conducted in all classes during the semester in which a formal evaluation is performed.

Student evaluations are to be initiated prior to November 1 for the fall semester and prior to April 1 for the spring semester for full term and 1<sup>st</sup> 8-week classes and by December 1 and May 1 for late start and 2<sup>nd</sup> 8-week classes.

- (b) For those faculty members who engage in instruction outside of the classroom, including librarians, counselors, and learning disability specialists, student evaluations will be collected within five (5) days of student contact sessions (i.e., student appointments or reference desk visits) during a selected month during the semester in which a formal evaluation is performed.
- (c) These student evaluations will be made available for the faculty member and one tenured faculty member serving as a peer reviewer from the department or division/school, or from a related department or division/school selected by the evaluate, following the due dates for grades. The selected faculty member shall review the student evaluations and sign a verification indicating that they have reviewed and discussed the student evaluations with the member being evaluated. The signed verification shall be submitted by the evaluatee to their dean.

(d) Student evaluations are the property of the faculty member and will be returned to them at the end of the semester. The information contained in student evaluations will not be retained by the college or the District, used by the administration in the completion of the formal evaluation, or included in the faculty member's personnel file.

# (4) Report Preparation

- (a) The dean will complete a Faculty Performance Evaluation Report (Appendix B), including a recommendation of continued employment, based upon:
  - i. the materials from the faculty portfolio;
  - ii. results of observations;
  - iii. items relevant to the instructional duties assigned to the faculty member, including adherence to Board Policy and college processes and deadlines;
  - iv. a review of activities which are outside of the instructional duties, including those defined within Board Policy;
  - v. information regarding participation in curriculum development and review, and in development and assessment of student learning outcomes. Any information included in the faculty member's evaluation regarding participation in curriculum or student learning outcome processes must be verified and documented.
- (b) Faculty members shall not be held accountable for any aspect of the educational program over which they have no authority.
- (c) Evaluations are to be based on the materials described in this article.

Hearsay statements, rumors or information from anonymous sources shall be excluded from written evaluations. The dean may include in the written evaluation information which has been documented through a completed investigation subsequent to a complaint, the findings of which have been delivered to the faculty member under evaluation prior to the inclusion of this information in the evaluation report.

2858 (5) A faculty member may also elect to have a second evaluation by a tenured faculty member of their choice. This second evaluation is intended for 2859 improvement of faculty members and it may become a part of the 2860 2861 personnel file only at the request of the faculty member being evaluated. 2862 2863 b. Follow-up Procedures 2864 2865 **(1)** If a tenured faculty member receives an overall rating below "Meets 2866 Standards," the dean will develop a Performance Improvement Plan 2867 including follow-up activities with dates of completion, and measurable outcomes to address those performance issues which need improvement. 2868 2869 A performance improvement plan may be developed by the dean for a 2870 rating below "Meets Standards" in any individual category. 2871 2872 The faculty member receiving an overall rating below "Meets Standards" (2) 2873 will be evaluated again within twelve (12) months. 2874 2875 In the subsequent evaluation, if the faculty member does not receive an (3) overall rating of "Meets Standards" or better, the faculty member will not 2876 be eligible for any overload assignments until such time as future 2877 evaluation results in an overall "Meets Standards" or better. 2878 2879 2880 **Evaluation Timelines** c. 2881 2882 The dean will initiate the tenured faculty evaluation process every three (1) 2883 (3) years. 2884 2885 The evaluation process must be completed within one year of its initiation, (2) 2886 or the process must begin anew. 2887 d. Violations of the Evaluation Process 2888 2889 2890 Allegations that the District has not complied with the evaluation procedures shall 2891 be processed through the grievance procedure in this Agreement. While violations 2892 of these evaluation procedures may be subject to the grievance procedure, a non-2893 substantive error in the evaluation shall not be grievable. The parties recognize that there are many deadlines and procedural requirements in the process and that 2894 2895 peers are involved. While the parties expect the process to be followed as written, they recognize that a non-substantive procedural error could occur but may not 2896 require a change in the result. A "substantive error" is one which, if not made, 2897

17.3. Part-Time Faculty Evaluations

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The part-time faculty evaluation process is designed to improve the teaching and learning process and delivery of student services, and to provide the part-time faculty member a basis for professional growth and development.

#### a. Part-time Faculty Evaluation Process

#### (1) Self-Evaluation

The faculty member will submit to the dean a portfolio including a report of college, District or committee service; accomplishments (such as publications, shows or performances); awards and achievements; appropriate class materials such as sample syllabi and assignments; and other pertinent documents.

#### (2) Instructional Activity Observation

The appropriate dean or designee will make scheduled classroom/worksite/electronic visits as described below:

- (a) The part-time faculty member and dean or designee will mutually agree on the course(s) or equivalent in which the scheduled observation(s) will take place, so that the faculty member may be observed under optimum conditions displaying their abilities.
- (b) Each evaluation shall include at least one (1) observation, lasting at least fifty (50) minutes. For on-line classes, the faculty member will present the course to the evaluator during an observation lasting at least fifty (50) minutes.

#### (3) Student Evaluations

- (a) Each part-time faculty member shall have student evaluations conducted in all classes taught during the semester in which a formal evaluation is performed. Student evaluations are to be initiated prior to November 1 for the fall semester and prior to April 1 for the spring semester for full term and 1<sup>st</sup> 8-week classes and by December 1 and May 1 for late start and 2<sup>nd</sup> 8-week classes.
- (b) For those faculty members who engage in instruction outside of the classroom, including librarians, counselors, and learning disability specialists, student evaluations will be collected within five (5) days of student contact sessions (i.e., student appointments or reference desk visits) during a selected month during the semester in which a formal evaluation is performed.

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- (c) These student evaluations will be made available for the part-time faculty member and one tenured faculty member serving as a peer reviewer from the department or division/school, or from a related department or division/school selected by the evaluatee following the due date for grades. The selected faculty member shall review the student evaluations and sign a verification indicating that they have reviewed and discussed the student evaluations with the member being evaluated. The signed verification shall be submitted by the evaluatee to their dean.
- (d) Student evaluations are the property of the part-time faculty member, and will be returned to the faculty member at the end of the semester. The information contained in student evaluations will not be retained by the college or the District, and will be used by the administration in the completion of the formal evaluation, or included in the faculty member's personnel file.

## (4) Report Preparation

- (a) The dean will complete a Faculty Performance Evaluation Report (Appendix B), including a recommendation of continued employment, based upon:
  - i. the materials from the faculty portfolio;
  - ii. results of observations;
  - iii. items relevant to the instructional duties assigned to the part-time faculty member, including adherence to Board Policy and college processes and deadlines;
  - iv. a review of activities which are outside of the instructional duties, including those defined within Board Policy;
  - v. information regarding participation in assessment of student learning outcomes. Any information included in the part-time faculty member's evaluation regarding participation in student learning outcome processes must be verified and documented.
- (b) Part-time faculty members shall not be held accountable for any aspect of the educational program over which they have no authority.
- (c) Evaluations are to be based on the materials described in this article.

Hearsay statements, rumors or information from anonymous sources shall be excluded from written evaluations. The evaluator may include in the written evaluation information which has been documented through a completed investigation subsequent to a complaint, the findings of which investigation have been delivered to the faculty member under evaluation prior to the inclusion of this information in the evaluation report.

- (d) Observation of a part-time faculty member may be completed by a full-time faculty member as the designee of the vice president or the dean, under the following circumstances:
  - i. The full-time faculty member is tenured,
  - ii. The full-time faculty member is in good standing with an evaluation of "Meets Standards" or better on their most recent evaluation,
  - iii. The full-time faculty member is approved by the appropriate dean,
  - iv. Department chairs will have the first right of refusal for all observations of part-time faculty members in their areas,
  - v. In the event that the faculty observer determines that an observation is likely to result in the observed part-time faculty member receiving an overall rating below "Meets Standards," the evaluation process will revert to the dean, who will conduct a new observation in order to complete the evaluation. In order to initiate the transfer of the evaluation to the dean, the faculty observer shall complete the Transfer of Evaluation Form (Appendix C).
- b. For those part-time faculty members with priority rehire eligibility as described in Article 15, evaluation procedures in relation to continued priority rehire eligibility status will be as described in Article 15.
- c. Evaluation Timelines
  - (1) Each part-time faculty member shall be evaluated during the first semester of their first assignment at that college.
  - (2) Subsequent reviews will be every sixth semester during which an instructional assignment is held, and no fewer than one in every four years. Out-of-sequence evaluations may also occur as needed if approved