SP25.02 Resolution in Support of Bethany Tasaka's Nomination to the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges Executive Committee

Whereas, Bethany Tasaka is a tenured mathematics faculty member at San Bernardino Valley College (SBVC) and continues to be an active member of the SBVC Academic Senate as Senator-at-Large and Executive Committee member since Fall 2017, also having served as Secretary and Webmaster for five years, and demonstrates faculty leadership at SBVC through roles such as Curriculum Co-Chair, Program Review Co-Chair, and Outcomes Faculty Lead; and

Whereas, Bethany Tasaka is an active participant in the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC), attending plenary sessions in 2020-2023 and 2024-2025, having written resolutions [1][2], and a rostrum article [3], and co-leading workshops, webinars [4][5], and breakout sessions at conferences [6][7] led by the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges, having served in faculty leadership positions within ASCCC, including serving as a founding member [8] and past chair of the ASCCC Asian and Pacific Islander Caucus (2021-2023) and contributing to the ASCCC Math Common Course Numbering Faculty Workgroup (2024); and

Whereas, Bethany Tasaka is a dedicated advocate for faculty voice and equity, and continues to demonstrate a commitment to diversity, equity, inclusion, and anti-racism; and

Whereas, the [ASCCC] Executive Committee is comprised of 14 representatives elected by the delegates each year in spring and the Executive Director (ex officio member). As noted in the bylaws, this group adopts procedures, implements policies adopted at the plenary sessions, transacts business, and performs other functions that are not inconsistent with the intent, purposes, and provisions of the Bylaws and Senate Rules^[9];

Resolved, that the SBVC Academic Senate supports the nomination of Bethany Tasaka for election to the ASCCC Executive Committee at the Spring 2025 Plenary; her election would strengthen the vital connection between our local senate and ASCCC.

- [1] Disaggregating Asian and Pacific Islander Student Data, 2022 Spring Plenary
- [2] Recognition of Caucus Appointed Delegates, 2022 Fall Plenary
- [3] An Open Letter to Academic Senates, ASCCC Rostrum, April 2023
- [4] Recognizing the Full Humanity of Our Asian and Pacific Islander Student Communities in the California Community Colleges, 2023 ASCCC webinar
- [5] <u>Follow-Up to ASCCC Webinar 'Recognizing the Full Humanity of Our Asian and Pacific Islander Student Communities in the California Community Colleges'</u>, 2023 ASCC webinar
- [6] Digging Deeper to Understand the Impacts of Race Neutrality and What It Means to Be an Ally, 2022 ASCCC Spring Plenary
- [7] Keynote Panel: Curriculum Unmasked Importance of IDEAA in Revitalizing, Revamping and Reigniting Curriculum in California's Community Colleges, 2024 Curriculum Institute Program
- [8] ASCCC Asian and Pacific Islander Caucus, 2021 2023, 2024 2025
- [9] ASCCC Executive Committee