**17.01 F17 Research the Feasibility of a 16-week Semester and a Winter Session**

Whereas, The main source of revenue for the district and colleges is FTES, it is in the best interest of all to explore all options for increasing FTES;

Whereas, A 16-week semester, commonly referred to as a compressed calendar, would enable the creation of a Winter Session which could potentially allow VCCCD to increase student enrollment and allow students to complete certain classes in an accelerated format which would enable them to achieve their educational goals more quickly; and

Whereas, A shorter semester may lead to increased student success and retention while decreasing student attrition;

Resolved, That the Academic Senate of Moorpark College will work with the district and our sister colleges to explore the feasibility of adopting a 16-week compressed calendar, that would enable a Winter Session in addition to the usual Fall, Spring, and Summer Sessions.

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