

California State University Maritime Academy Faculty Senate Executive Committee

Resolution 21-22/01
September 3, 2021

Conducting Senate Business Virtually and Recommending Virtual Options for Non-Instructional Meetings for the Remainder of 2021

- WHEREAS, The faculty and staff are “committed to the health and safety of our campus community as our top priority” and “committed to sustaining the academic mission of Cal Maritime”¹; and
- WHEREAS, The Cal Maritime Faculty Senate and its committees successfully conducted business (e.g., non-instructional) through virtual meetings during the 2020-21 academic year; and
- WHEREAS, The Chancellor’s Office has delayed its repopulation from September 1, 2021 to October 4, 2021 due to “increasing Delta-related COVID-19 cases in Los Angeles County and the City of Long Beach” and that the “‘cautionary move’ allows more time to monitor the changes related to the Delta variant, which has infected both unvaccinated and fully vaccinated people.”²; and
- WHEREAS, The Academic Senate of the CSU September 2021 plenary will be held remotely due to “growing concerns regarding – and proactive efforts to prevent the spread of – the COVID-19 Delta variant”³; and
- WHEREAS, The Cal Maritime Faculty Senate remains committed to allowing faculty who are unable to get the COVID-19 vaccine due to medical exemptions and faculty who are considered “at risk” and recommended for a COVID-19 booster to remain involved in campus business;

BE IT THEREFORE

- RESOLVED: That the Cal Maritime Faculty Senate Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Cal Maritime Faculty Senate, holds all General Senate meetings and Senate committee meetings fully online for the remainder of 2021; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the Cal Maritime Faculty Senate Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Cal Maritime Faculty Senate, recommends that all business (e.g., non-instructional) meetings involving faculty be primarily virtual for the remainder of 2021; and be it further

¹ <https://www.csum.edu/alert/covid-19/>

² Published on “CO in the Know” website. <https://www2.calstate.edu/coitk/Pages/post.aspx?p=963>

³ E-mail from Robert Collins, Chair, ASCSU to ASCSU on July 27, 2021. Subject: “ASCSU September Plenary Update.”

RESOLVED: That the Cal Maritime Faculty Senate Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Cal Maritime Faculty Senate, strongly urges that at a minimum all business (e.g., non-instructional) meetings involving faculty provide virtual attendance options for the remainder of 2021; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Cal Maritime Faculty Senate Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Cal Maritime Faculty Senate, supports virtual attendance options for all campus community members participating in meetings for the remainder of 2021; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Cal Maritime Faculty Senate Executive Committee, acting on behalf of the Cal Maritime Faculty Senate, distribute this resolution to the School Deans, Library Dean, Associate Provosts, the Student Leadership, and the Cabinet of CSU Maritime Academy.