

**HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY  
University Senate**

**Resolution Establishing a Task Force on Student Evaluations**

12-15/16-FAC — November 10, 2015 — First Reading

**RESOLVED:** That the Humboldt State University Senate authorize the establishment of a Task Force on Student Evaluations for the current academic year; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That the Task Force include the Senior Associate Vice President for Faculty Affairs & Human Resources, the Chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee, the Chief Information Officer or designee, the Director of Institutional Research and Planning or designee, the College Deans or designees, faculty representation from the three colleges, and additional members as deemed appropriate; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That the Task Force be responsible for taking a comprehensive look at the student evaluation process, including delivery platform and procedure, hardcopy v. electronic administration, response rates, issues related to harassing comments directed toward faculty, traceability of responses (anonymous v. confidential designation), etc.; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That the Task Force will report its progress at each Faculty Affairs meeting. This information will be conveyed to Senate via the Faculty Affairs committee report, as well as through a comprehensive report at the end of AY 2015/16.

**RATIONALE:** The transition to electronic student evaluations has prompted various concerns regarding the content and reliability of the data they provided. FAC deems it necessary to take a comprehensive view of the student evaluation process for both its evaluation and improvement. As the expertise for this activity extends beyond the membership of FAC, the committee recommends the establishment of a broad task force to oversee this work.