



Faculty Council of Community Colleges
Support of Shared Governance and Shared Governance Leaders
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WHEREAS inclusive decision making through shared governance is a crucial component in any healthy institution; and

WHEREAS shared governance leadership may include faculty, staff, and constituents from across campus; and

WHEREAS a [joint statement](#) endorsed in 2017 by the Faculty Council of Community Colleges, University Faculty Senate, and Student Assembly specifies best practices to include: “Elected governance organization leaders and/or their representatives are included in strategic planning as well as development, implementation, and evaluation of system-wide initiatives,” and “that faculty have primary responsibility for academic policy, curriculum, and standards”; and

WHEREAS New York State education law recognizes the responsibility of faculty to participate broadly in academic policy development, which takes place in the college's shared governance structure ([8 CRR-NY 605.1](#)); and

WHEREAS compensation that results in a meaningful reduction in workload (e.g. course load reduction or equivalent per semester) for each leadership position, the secretarial position, and the most-demanding governance committee chair-ships as determined by individual campuses, allows the individuals holding those positions to allocate sufficient time to shared governance duties; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that all SUNY community college campus administrators commit to valuing these positions with the necessary level of support.