RESOLVED:
That the Academic Senate recommend to the President that the Campus Disruption and Violence Policy be divided into two policies: one that addresses disruptive behavior and one that addresses violent behavior. The policies should include attention to the online class environment, common spaces (resident halls, the Student Recreation Center, the library, etc.), as well as classrooms and office areas. The same language for these policies should be included in both the Campus Catalog and the University Handbook. The policies need to link to the Student Code of Conduct, Human Resources, Public Safety, and Faculty Affairs websites.

A Faculty Guide for handling student disruptions should also be made available, as just that: a guidebook, to help faculty handle difficult situations both in class and online.

RATIONALE:
Current policies for student disruption and violence need to be updated, to be relevant for students, faculty and staff, and to meet the campus core values of: “nurturing a civil and collegial campus environment that values the diversity of persons and ideas and engaging one another with respect, trustworthiness, ethical behavior, and self-reflection”. These values include shared responsibility with all campus groups.

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