

OHLONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Trustees
FROM: Dr. Doug Treadway
DATE: September 28, 2005
SUBJECT: Academic Calendar

Information Item Only

On August 12, 2005 the Ohlone College Faculty voted by a 93% majority to move to a compressed calendar. (The faculty is currently voting on the specific calendar and results may not be available by the Board Meeting.) A move to a compressed calendar has been under Senate discussion for several years, and was investigated by College Council last Spring. After investigation on academic and enrollment issues, the Faculty Senate endorsed a 16-week calendar.

Faculty Senate believes that the compressed calendar can address enrollment short-falls and should be implemented next year. Senate also recognizes that the increased contact hours of the 16 week calendar will benefit the college through increased WSCH/FTE. It also aligns our calendar with the calendars of all local universities on the semester system and with 37 other community colleges in California's community college system.

RECOMMENDATION

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