

Associated Students

Resolution IV

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Subject: Preferred Identity Initiative	Date: 9/30/19

Whereas:

Although the Mt. San Antonio College has already implemented an option for students to choose their preferred name, the extent of the practice has not been reflected fully on the campus. When it comes to daily interactions that students are required to have with faculty and staff on campus, students, particularly those who are a part of the LGBTQ+ community, have felt uncomfortable due to the discrepancies between their name and their gender. To fully acknowledge our students' vibrant and diverse identities, Mt. SAC must ensure that the students' preferred name and gender are to be shown on the College Student ID cards.

Whereas:

Resolving the issue of students being able to use their preferred name is being spearheaded by the Pride Center as of right now. This proposal can be adopted once the institutional policy has been obtained. In order to make an impactful change on campus, the following campus organizations need to address and integrate the students' request to have their preferred name and gender reflected on College ID cards. Once Admissions and Records, Health Services, Instruction, Academic Senate, and Student Services partner to implement the students' preferred names and gender on their College ID Cards, we will have gone a long way in making a powerful change on campus that will align us with our equity and inclusion mission. It will also positively impact students' sense of worth and belonging.

Whereas:

The AB 620 has expanded the definition of gender to now include "gender identity and expression" in California higher educations. Given that Mt. SAC is a part of the higher education programs, it is important to self-evaluate our stance and commitments on LGBTQ+ rights. According to the *UC LGBT Task Force Recommendations*, the document clearly states a policy for students to assert the name they wish to be known as on campus. This practice protects students' information regarding legal name and their transgender status. By extending the right of self-expression on all of the campus' unofficial documents, the Associated Students will be contributing significantly to make our campus an even more inclusive space for all students.

Whereas: The implementation of inscribing preferred names on student ID cards tremendously benefit transgender students who are being ostracized by the standards of society that only recognizes the binary. It will save all students from

having to correct their name in nearly all private interactions on the campus such

as doctor's appointment at our two health centers, academic counseling appointments, tutoring centers, Student Life, and beyond.

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Therefore: Be it resolved, that the A.S. Senate, the A.S. Executive Board, and the A.S.

President approve enter the subject or title of the item being proposed.

A.S. Senate				
For:	Against:	Abstain:	Date:	
A.S. Executive Board				
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A.S. President				
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