

## **Chapter 4 – Academic Affairs**

### **BP 4030 Academic Freedom**

#### References:

Title 5, Section 51023 and Accreditation

The Board of Trustees acknowledges the following:

- A. That free discussion is a right extended to thoughtful citizens, but that no one has the right to abuse this freedom by advocating immediate or concrete acts of violence directed toward the overthrow of the government.
- B. That a free society functions efficiently only if its citizens have the right to discuss, debate, and disagree constructively.
- C. That the Constitutional guarantee of freedom of speech is meaningful only to the extent that the majority is willing to hear honest expressions of unpopular ideas by all.
- D. That an educated citizenry, fully aware of all the evidence, is best able to preserve the valuable heritage of American democratic institutions.
- E. Mt. San Antonio College has an obligation to its community to promote healthy discussion as an educative force.

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