Solano College Faculty Association Resolution to oppose the recommendations of the Student Success Task Force (SSTF)

WHEREAS the SSTF recommendations would divert California Community College (CCC) funds to the Chancellor’s Office;

WHEREAS the SSTF recommendations would give the Chancellor’s Office the power to thwart the academic freedom of the local colleges and college instructors in the classroom by restricting access to those funds;

WHEREAS the SSTF recommendations would establish different requirements for those students receiving fee waivers than the other students in the college;

WHEREAS the SSTF recommendations would require CCCs to align themselves with the K-12 system rather than a mutual collaboration between the two systems;

WHEREAS the SSTF recommendations give the Chancellor’s Office the power to create the curriculum for basic skills classes; the possibility that those requirements be extended to other programs and ultimately to the school represents a clear and present danger to the entire school system.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that we, SCFA Executive Board are against the SSTF recommendations; that any attempt to update the California Educational Master Plan involve input from local colleges and instructors in order to protect the academic freedom of the colleges, the instructors and the students;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we will oppose any recommendations that will result in further funding problems and increased hardships for our students.