Whereas the governing board of trustees approved Board Policy (BP) 2510 and Administrative Procedure (AP) 2510 recognizing the Academic Senate as the body that represents faculty in collegial governance relating to academic and professional matters;

Whereas BP and AP 2510 require the governing board of trustees to consult collegially with the Academic Senate on all of the listed academic and professional matters;

Whereas “consult collegially” means that the governing board of trustees develops policies on academic and professional matters through relying primarily upon the advice and judgment of the Academic Senate;

Whereas communication between the Academic Senate and the governing board of trustees is essential to proffering advice and judgment and therefore instituting collegial governance;

Whereas the governing board of trustees also approved BP 1200 which states that the vision, mission, and values statements of the Hartnell Community College District serve to guide all planning and decision-making, and the ethics values statement commits Hartnell College to transparency in all communications;

Resolved that the Hartnell College Academic Senate will make every effort to institute transparent communication with the governing board of trustees on academic and professional matters as defined in BP and AP 2510.