F13.01 – Resolution on Intercollegiate Athletics at CHC

Whereas, Intercollegiate athletic programs adhere to the same academic standards for student learning required of all instructional programs; and

Whereas, research data from districts throughout the state, NCAA, CCCAA, confirm that athletic programs are a model of student success that support the goals and recommendations of the Commission on the Future. These studies indicate student athletes have better persistence, greater course success rates, and greater degree completion and transfer rates than the general student body population; and

Whereas, data including the recent NCAA graduation success report, and reports published on gender equity page of the CCCAA site confirm that intercollegiate athletic programs generate much desired diversity in the student population and provide opportunities for students of all ethnicities and each gender to develop important academic and life skills of leadership, time management, teamwork, and sportsmanship, skills that are critical to workforce training and physical fitness; and

Whereas, Intercollegiate Athletic Programs enhance student engagement, fosters a positive campus identity, increases community involvement and broad-based support.

Resolved, the CHC Academic Senate for Crafton Hills College research the costs and requirements associated with establishing an intercollegiate athletic program in coordination with existing athletic facilities and programs; and

Resolved, the Crafton Hills College Academic Senate assist with the development of a plan to establish an intercollegiate athletic program as an essential component of our comprehensive educational institution fostering student retention, success and achievement for a diverse student population.