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**Resolution #4413
 Support for a Uniform Academic Adviser Review Process across Colorado State University**

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ENDORSED BY:	University Issues Committee; Shannon Archibeque-Engle, College of Agricultural Sciences, Director of Diversity and Retention; Joanna Holliday, College of Agricultural Sciences, Director of Human Resources; Dr. Alan Lamborn, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Affairs; Dr. Kathy Pickering, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs; Dr. Paul Thayer, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs, Special Adviser to the Provost of Retention; Dr. Stephanie Clemons, Chair, Committee of Teaching and Learning; Mary Stromberger, Chair, Faculty Council

WHEREAS:

Students at Colorado State University are currently each assigned an academic adviser with whom they can meet and discuss degree plans, seek advice about their class schedules, and collaborate on internship and job opportunities; and,

WHEREAS:

Academic advisers range in positions and roles from tenured faculty to administrative professionals, and there is currently a different yearly review done for each position; and,

WHEREAS:

The role Academic Support Coordinator was created to help relieve degree-specific advisers from high volumes of students asking clerical questions opening their schedules up for one-on-one counseling for their students. Currently there is no data being collected for this position’s effectiveness; and,

WHEREAS:

Students may not know if their adviser is tenured faculty versus an academic support coordinator versus an administrative professional, and might not know how to go about commenting on or reporting academic advising sessions that would be appropriate to that adviser’s annual review process; and,

WHEREAS:

Historically, offering an optional review process brings in mostly extreme opinions, either on one side or the other, and can skew the overall data because there isn't an accurate representation of the true feelings of the student body or their experiences; and,

WHEREAS:

The College of Health and Human Sciences already utilizes an academic adviser review process and has seen high participation, making it possible to collect data to improve the advising process; so,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

That a uniform review process for academic advisers, regardless of their position at Colorado State University be created and be accessible to students at least once each semester; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED:

That this process be implemented through RamWeb during the Registration Ready process for each student. This review should consist of three (3) to four (4) "Yes or No Questions." It should not be a time-consuming survey and should not complicate the registration processes. However, once the initial survey is completed, there should be an option to write a narrative documenting the student's personal experience; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the questions on the short survey be general and quantitative questions with possible answers ranging on a seven (7)-point scale (i.e. completely disagree, disagree, somewhat disagree, neither agree nor disagree, somewhat agree, agree, completely agree) when applicable.

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED:

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Dr. Alan Lamborn, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Affairs; Dr. Kathy Pickering, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs; Dr. Paul Thayer, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs, Special Adviser to the Provost of Retention; Dr. Stephanie Clemons, Chair, Committee of Teaching and Learning; Mary Stromberger, Chair, Faculty Council, Dr. Anthony Frank, President of Colorado State University; and Dr. Blance Hughes, Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Craig Beyrouthy, Dean, College of Agricultural Sciences, Dr. Ann Gill, Dean, College of Liberal Arts; Dr. Jodie Anzlik, Dean, Graduate School; Dr. Jeff McCubbin, Dean, College of Health and Human Sciences; Ajay Menon, Dean, College of Business; Dr. Jan Neger, Dean, College of Natural Sciences; Dr. John Hayes, Dean, College of Natural Resources; Dr. Mark Stetter, Dean, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences; Dr. David Mclean, Dean, College of Engineering.

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