SURVEY OF AFA MEMBERS RE: ACADEMIC CALENDAR, PDA & FLEX
(Return this survey to the AFA mailbox in Bailey Hall by 5:00 pm, Friday, May 11, 2007.)

There are three types of questions on this survey:
• Some questions will ask for a scaled response (5 = Strongly Agree, 1 = Strongly Disagree)
• Some questions may require choosing ONE option.
• Some questions may require choosing ALL acceptable options.

NOTE: The latest approved Academic Calendar is posted at: www.santarosa.edu/schedules/academic_calendar/

1. **Spring Break** is a welcome part of the Spring calendar.
   - Strongly Agree
   - Strongly Disagree

2. I’d rather eliminate **Spring Break** and have one more week of winter break or one more week of summer break.
   - Strongly Agree
   - Strongly Disagree

3. Assuming Spring Break is continued, I would like the **Spring Break** to be scheduled as follows:
   CHOOSE ONE
   - Mid-semester
   - Same time as Santa Rosa City Schools (whenever they schedule theirs)
   - Spring Equinox (around March 21)
   - Related to Easter
   - Other: When?

4. Assuming Spring Break is continued, I think the **Spring Break** should be of the following length:
   CHOOSE ONE
   - One week – seven days
   - Long weekend – three days
   - Long weekend – four days
   - Other: How long?

5. Assuming Spring Break is continued, I would be interested in exploring **other options** for scheduling **Spring Break**:
   CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY
   - The week before classes start for spring – making winter break one week longer
   - Making a few long weekends instead of having a Spring Break week, for example at President’s weekend, or mid-semester, or Equinox, or Easter
   - Other: When?

6. **Fall Break** would be a welcome addition to the Fall calendar, although it might mean starting classes sooner, or ending them later in the Fall semester.

7. Assuming a Fall Break is instituted, I think the **Fall Break** should be of the following length:
   CHOOSE ONE
   - One week – seven days
   - Long weekend – three days
   - Long weekend – four days
   - Other: How long?

8. Assuming a Fall Break is instituted, I would like the **Fall Break** to be scheduled as follows:
   CHOOSE ONE
   - Fall Equinox (around Sept. 21)
   - Mid-semester
   - Thanksgiving Week
   - Other: When?

9. I like the **institutional (mandatory-attendance) PDA Day** for the **Fall** semester to occur at the beginning of the Fall Semester.

(continued on other side)
10. I would be interested in exploring other options for scheduling the institutional (mandatory-attendance) PDA Day for the Fall semester.

CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY:

_____ In connection with Veteran’s Day
_____ In connection with Thanksgiving Holiday
_____ Other: When?

11. I like the institutional (mandatory-attendance) PDA Day for the Spring semester to occur at the beginning of the Spring Semester.

12. I would be interested in exploring other options for scheduling the institutional (mandatory-attendance) PDA Day for the Spring semester.

CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY:

_____ In connection with President’s weekend
_____ Mid-Semester
_____ In connection with Easter
_____ Other: When?

13. I like having the four Professional Development Days that we have now—two institutional (mandatory attendance) days and two flexible (Flex) days for individual projects related to professional development.

14. I would like to see the following number of Professional Development Days each year (15 max. per year):

CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY

_____ Minimum: Two institutional (mandatory-attendance) days only (the SRJC-required minimum)
_____ More than two institutional (mandatory-attendance) days

_____ Number desired
_____ One Flex day for individual professional development
_____ More than one Flex day for individual professional development

_____ Number desired

15. I’d like to establish some official “Department Time” each semester so ALL faculty can have the opportunity to meet together to discuss department matters.

16. I would like to schedule some official “Department Time” each semester as follows:

CHOOSE ONE

_____ Part of the institutional (mandatory-attendance) PDA Days
_____ Part of the NON-mandatory-attendance PDA Flex Days, for Flex credit for those who can attend
_____ At a specific time each semester
_____ Other: When?

17. I find the current offering of activities for the institutional (mandatory attendance) PDA Days to be valuable and/or useful.

18. I find the current array of activities that receive Flex credit to be valuable and/or useful.

19. The types of activities that I would like to see receive Flex credit include:

(List any and all that would be of interest to you):

20. I would be interested in exploring the three-semester academic year, for example, having three semesters each of 16 weeks duration, or some other arrangement.

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