

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE (SDMC)

ACADEMIC SENATE (AS)

April 28, 2025

Room MC 211 A/B

2:20PM – 4:20PM

MEETING MINUTES

Present:

Academic Senate President Andrew Hoffman, Carlynn Allbee, Henry Browne, Lisa Burgert, Jennifer Cost, Nellie Dougherty, Justin Estep, Erin Evans, Veronica Gerace, Mary Gwin, James Hinton (Until 3:00PM), Alex Holowicki, Cathy James, Geoff Johnson, Dante Jones, Jesse Keller, Mariam Kushkaki, Dina Miyoshi, Ryan Mongelluzzo, Danica Moore, Jennifer Moreno, Dave “Das” Odasso, Mychal Odom, Scott Plambek, Michelle Rodriguez, Robert Sanchez, Judy Sundayo, Scott Suarez, Ngoc “Kim” Tran, Karen Wait and Guests SDMC VPI Isabel O’Connor, SDMC Web Based Learning Adjunct Faculty Members Pavel Consuegra and Carole Thompson, Megan Boquet and ASG President Zora Williams

Absent:

Isaac Arguelles-Ibarra (Excused), Jaeryoung Lee, Sam Lee, Laura Maki, Thekima Mayasa, Jill Moreno Ikari, Thu “Tiffany” Nguyen, Anthony Reuss (Proxy to Judy Sundayo) and Jessica Sardo (Proxy to Danica Moore)

I. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME by Academic Senate President Andrew Hoffman @ 2:25PM.

Parliamentarian – TBD /Timekeeper – TBD/Speaker Coordinator – TBD

II. APPROVAL OF DRAFT AGENDA:

Move to Approve:

M/S Gerace/Moore

UNANIMOUS
Reuss
(Proxy to Sundayo)
Sardo
(Proxy to Moore)

III. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

A. Associated Student Government (ASG): ASG President Zora Williams

- 1. We are holding elections for the fall 2025 ASG Officer positions.
- 2. We will hold a “Scavenger Hunt” in the Student Services building.

B. Classified Professionals: President Ayana Woods/Vice President Alison Mona (No Report)

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A. Pavel Consuegra, Work-Based Learning Adjunct Faculty and Co-Lead of the Mesa Impactship Program:

As reported by Pavel Consuegra:

"I addressed the Academic Senate to express support for proposed changes to the Sabbatical Selection Process. He emphasized the need for a more transparent, inclusive, and supportive system based on his own experience. He also advocated for equitable access to professional advancement opportunities for adjunct faculty, especially those in non-classroom roles, highlighting their vital contributions to student success and institutional initiatives."

V. APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES: April 14, 2025

Move to Approve:

M/S

Cost/Allbee

22 APPROVE

Reuss
(Proxy to Sundayo)
Sardo
(Proxy to Moore)

7 Abstain

Estep
Hinton (Left Before Vote)
James
Kushkaki
Miyoshi
Moore
Rodriguez

VI. GUEST:

A. SDMC Vice President of Instruction (VPI) Isabel O'Connor:

1. Adult Learning Program:
 - a. Career and Technical Education Associate Dean Alex Berry will lead SDMC's program.
2. Common Course Numbering (CCN):
 - a. VPI O'Connor serves on the statewide CCN Steering Committee.
 - b. VPI O'Connor thanked SDMC AS President Andrew Hoffman for encouraging Faculty to engage in the process.
 - c. We will work on Phase III this summer.
 - d. Please submit your courses as "Revisions" not "New".
 - e. We will appeal all course denials for CCN.
 - f. Please lend your voices by completing the CCN surveys.
3. Fraudulent Enrollment:
 - a. Our district is currently using three (3) different software programs to detect Fraudulent Enrollees.
 - b. The perpetrators continue to use new tactics to avoid detection.
 - Some are able to enroll in for credit classes via the portal from non-credit to credit.
 - c. The issue has primarily impacted fully online classes without Prerequisite requirements.
 - We are beginning to see Fraudulent Enrollment in our face to face classes.
 - d. Our district's Admissions Offices have been requiring suspected Fraudulent Enrollees to come to campuses within one week to show their proof of identity.
 - e. VPI O'Connor has suggested to Vice Chancellor Susan Topham that we establish a districtwide task force that includes Faculty and Admissions & Records Representatives to address the ongoing issue of Fraudulent Enrollment.
 - f. Faculty can use strategies that require engagement from the Students in their classes to help detect Fraudulent Enrollees at the beginning of each semester.
 - g. SDMC AS President Andrew Hoffman asked if requiring Prerequisites for more courses would help reduce Fraudulent Enrollment.
 - h. SDMC AS Senator for Adjunct Faculty Geoff Johnson said the California Community Colleges (CCC) Chancellor needs to hold a statewide symposium on Fraudulent Enrollment.

4. New State Apportionment Accounting Formula:
 - a. Implementation was delayed one year until 2027.
 - b. There will be a new process that does not consider the length of the class.

VII. REPORTS:

A. Committee Reports:

1. Senate Executive Committees:

- a. *Academic Affairs (AA) Committee:* Chair Dave "DAS" Odasso (No Report)
- b. *Professional Advancement Committee (PAC):* Chair Janna Braun (No Report)
- c. *Committee of Chairs (COC):* Chair of Chairs Jill Moreno Ikari (No Report)

d. *Curriculum Review Committee (CRC):* Faculty Co-Chair Justin Estep

As reported by Justin Estep:

"CIC met last week.

This week is the final CRC of the semester (5/1).

The electronic Catalog was released.

The next Catalog meeting is tomorrow (4/29).

The District GE Taskforce has chosen a proposal (on our agenda).

Thank you to everyone who participated in the District GE Taskforce.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the CTE Code Alignment. We are done with the first step.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the ADT changes for AB 928/CalGETC compliance. We completed everything in time except Elementary Education (which was not released until March).

Common Course Numbering Phase II Part B Post Surveys are now available and due May 7. I resent the information to relevant Chairs.

Common Course Numbering Phase II Part A areas have all met.

Thank you!"

e. *Program Review Steering Committee (PRSC):* Acting Faculty Co-Chair Dina Miyoshi

- Dina Miyoshi provided a report.

2. Other Committees:

a. *The Committee for Diversity Action, Inclusion & Equity (CDAIE):* Chair Judy Sundayo

As reported by Judy Sundayo:

- "CDAIE held its last meeting on 4-11-25 with 20 persons attending.
- Cultural Unity Week events and activities, April 14 - 18th were well attended and appreciated.
- The Committee joins the campus in recognizing important cultural and heritage celebrations for May, including Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, Haitian Heritage Month, Jewish Heritage Month, National Military Appreciation Month, and Mental Health Awareness Month.
- AANAPISI is hosting an Ice Cream Fun-Raiser April 28 - May 1st from 11:15 - 1 pm in Mesa Commons 210.
- The Pride Center is hosting an event entitled, "History of Queer Activism in the Immigrant Rights Movement," on Tuesday, April 29th from 3 - 4 pm in D-102.
- The campus will host the Annual Festival of Colors Event this Thursday, May 1st from 10 am - 1:30 pm on the Quad. There will be tabling events from a variety of student clubs, and student service areas. Communication Studies students will be providing Displays of Culture in support of Critical Campus Conversations. There will be African Dancing and drumming, traditional Aztec dancing, Ballet Folklorico, an African Fashion show and lion dancers. There will be vendors on site and food from different cultures while it lasts. Please be reminded, there will be drumming!
- Raza Grad will take place on Friday, May 2nd from 5:30 - 7:30 on the Quad.

- The Lavender Graduation will take place on Tuesday, May 20th from 4:30 - 6 pm in D-101.
 - The Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) Community of Practice, slated for August 13, 14, & 15 at Mesa from 9:39 - 2:30 pm. Apply by Friday May 30th at 5 pm.
 - A reminder of Study Abroad Programs this summer 2025 in London, UK, and Kyoto, Japan.
 - The last CDAIE meeting for this academic year will meet for an in-person meeting/retreat this Friday, May 2nd from 9 am - noon in D-101 for team building, activities review and planning.”
- b. *SDMC AS Task Force on the Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI)*: Chair Ryan/Mongelluzzo
- We are collecting Faculty Narratives about AI.
- c. *Other Committee Reports*:
- District Technology Committee: Jesse Keller
 - * District Employees have access to Microsoft Teams and Copilot.
 - SDMC Environmental Sustainability Committee (ESC): Michelle Rodriguez

As reported by Michelle Rodriguez:

“The ESC is working on ideas for the Environmental Sustainability rubrics for BARC, FHP, and CHP, and welcomes any suggestions.

A very nice Earth Day fair was hosted by TerraMesa on April 22. There was music, food, art, and information. The students did a fantastic job organizing the event.”
3. Senate Executive Officer Reports:
- a. President Elect: Mary Gwin
- Mary Gwin reported on the two (2) Artificial Intelligence (AI) breakout sessions she attended during the spring 2025 Academic Senate for Californica Colleges (ASCCC) plenary.
 - * ASCCC encourages the adoption of AI technologies.
- b. *Vice President*: Veronica Gerace
As reported by Veronica Gerace:
- “Last Wednesday, April 23rd was Administrative Professionals Day and I wanted to recognize all that Sue Saetia does for the Academic Senate and faculty, in general. The senate executive committee recognized Sue by giving her a gift of flowers, a card, and a gift card for the Mesa 72 Fifty Café. Sue supports faculty in so many ways, such as ensuring that our meetings run smoothly, to countless behind the scenes responsibilities for several committees that she takes care of without fanfare or without being asked. We want Sue to know that she is appreciated and recognized.
- Earlier today I sent out the last call for committee membership. Please consider serving on one of these committees, if you are able. To people chairing committees, please review your membership to let me know if you have gaps in your membership. Towards the beginning of the fall semester, I will send another call for committee membership that lists vacancies by school. Additionally, we will ask our representatives to share updates on the activities of their committees on a regular basis.”
- c. *Secretary*: Vacant
- d. *Treasurer*: Thekima Mayasa (No Report)
- e. Senator at Large – One Year Term: Ryan Mongelluzzo (No Report)
- f. *CTE Liaison*: Vacant

g. *President:* Andrew Hoffman

As reported by Andrew Hoffman:

- “Last week I attended the spring plenary of the ASCCC in Irvine. The theme this semester was “Creative Collaboration Now: Leading for Student Success.” The plenary seemed well attended.
- Elections are held in the spring. The following is a list of the winners (and incumbents whose office was not up for election) including our region (South) and area (D).
 - * President: LaTonya Parker-Parnell
 - * Vice President: Robert L. Stewart
 - * Secretary: Eric Wada
 - * Treasurer: Erik Reese
 - * At Large: Mitra Sapienza and Karen Chow (incumbent)
 - * South rep: Carlos Guerrero and Luke Lara (incumbent)
 - * Area D: Bethany Tasaka
- Chancellor Sonya Christian came to the plenary and sat with current ASCCC president Cheryl Aschenbach for a “conversation” addressing the future of California Community Colleges. It was a pretty soft talk, with lots of positivity and mutual admiration. Unfortunately, no one in the audience was allowed to ask any questions. So, yours truly went up to Dr. Christian after the show was over. I actually got about a solid minute of her undivided attention, and I used that time to talk about the problem of BOTS (aka fraudulent enrollment). I was trying to impress on her the importance of statewide action as opposed to leaving it up to individual faculty, colleges, and even districts. She acknowledged it was important, but I got nothing definitive. Then, she was gone in a sea of admirers seeking photos.
- Saturday was voting day for resolutions. Nearly all proposed resolutions passed, most by overwhelming majorities. Of interest especially were some of the following: “Unapologetic Commitment to IDEA and Academic Freedom” (passed by Acclamation), “Inclusion of California Community Colleges Classified Senates in Title 5” (passed by Acclamation), and “Empowering Faculty Voice in Rising Scholars Programming” (passed by Acclamation). There were only a few truly contentious resolutions. The resolution to grant Area F credit for any Ethnic Studies course on Cal-GETC had Ethnic Studies faculty on both sides of the issue. Mesa’s faculty asked me to vote No, and I did. I also spoke against it in debate twice. However, the resolution passed 63-49. (Take heart: CSU is likely to completely ignore this resolution as receiving institutions determine what transfers as what.) The resolution supporting the United Faculty Workplace was the last resolution of the day. I argued that as long as we have a 50% law in place, and forces working against spending anything more than 50% on instruction, there is no way to get parity between adjunct pay and contract pay without a contract faculty pay cut. Nevertheless, the argument that principles mattered more than details won the day, 60-42.
- A non-plenary note: Chancellor Greg Smith announced at the last Board of Trustees meeting that he will not support the deployment of Tasers by district police. This is in alignment with what Mesa’s Academic Senate recommended in resolution 2024.11.1.”

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. SDCCD Administrative Procedure (AP) 7211: Procedure for Determination of Equivalency:

Updates Final Draft) Hoffman

Move to Forward the Item as Old Business on May 12, 2025:

M/S

Johnson/Moore

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Reuss
(Proxy to Sundayo)
Sardo
(Proxy to Moore)

B. Student Faculty Evaluation Questionnaire – DRAFT Updates: Miyoshi

1. President Andrew Hoffman reminded the Senators that Faculty Evaluations is something we can negotiate through the Collective Bargaining process.

Move to Forward the Item as Old Business on May 12, 2025:

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Gerace/Moore

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C. District GE Task Force: Estep

Move to Forward the Item as Old Business on May 12, 2025:

M/S

Moore/Browne

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Reuss
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Sardo
(Proxy to Moore)

IX. OLD BUSINESS: None

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. 2025 SDMC Commencement Ceremony - May 30, 2025 (2:00PM) SDMC - Merrill Douglas Stadium.
- B. "San Diego Mesa College has officially earned the 2025-2026 Military Friendly® School designation!" (Kristin Krogh)
- C. The next SDMC Academic Senate meeting is May 12, 2025 in room MC 211 A/B @ 2:20PM.
- D. The next Academic Affairs Committee meeting is fall 2025.
- E. The next Committee of Chairs (CoC) meeting is May 14, 2025 in room MC 211 A/B @ 2:30PM.
- F. The next Curriculum Review Committee (CRC) meeting is May 1, 2025 in room LRC 435 @ 2:15PM.
- G. The next SDMC AS Exec meeting is May 5, 2025 in room A117 @ 2:30PM.
- H. The next Professional Advancement Committee meeting May 7, 2025 in room A117 @ 2:30PM.

X. ADJOURNMENT @ 4:17PM.

Move to Adjourn:

M/S

Allbee/James

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Submitted by Sue Saetia

Approved by the SDMC AS: May 12, 2025