



San Diego Mesa College (SDMC) Academic Senate (AS)
Committee of Chairs
April 9, 2025
Room MC 211 A/B MEETING
MINUTES

Present:

Chair of Chairs Jill Moreno Ikari, Valerie Abe, Juan Bernal, Donna Budzynski, John Crocitti, Ida Cross, Todd Curran, Nellie Dougherty, Erin Evans, Tasha Frankie, Paula Gustin, Michael Harrison, Erika Higginbotham, Candace Katungi, Gloria Kim, Ken Kuniyuki, César López, Dina Miyoshi, Ryan Mongelluzzo, Bruce Naschak, Edeama Onwuchekwa Jonah, Hannah Padilla Barajas, Nathan Resch, Wendy Smith, Jennifer Snyder and George Ye

Excused Absences:

Anar Brahmbhatt (Excused), Ian Duckles (Excused), Bryan Malinis (Proxy to Veronica Gerace) Todd White (Excused) and Robert Wong (Excused – Spring 2025)

I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME to Incoming Communication Studies Chair Veronica Gerace by Chair of Chairs Jill Moreno Ikari @ 2:32PM.

II. APPROVAL OF DRAFT AGENDA:

Move to Approve:

M/S

Abe/Resch

UNANIMOUS

III. GUEST(s): None

IV. APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES: March 12, 2024 (Please send your changes to Sue Saetia (ssaetia@sdccd.edu))

Move to Approve with Changes from Ida Cross, Michael Harrison and Nathan Resch:

M/S

Gustin/Resch

3 Abstain

Gerace

Johnston

Miner

V. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Chairs Academy – March 28, 2025:

1. PowerPoint Presentation:
2. Campus Solutions Query Instructions:
 - a. Please request your Campus Solutions account from [Mila Zagyanskiy](#).

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Fall 2025 SDMC AS Chair of Chairs Election Updates: Moreno Ikari

1. Jill Moreno Ikari will send out one more "Call for Nominations."
2. The Department Chairs will cast their votes on April 23rd if we have more than 1 (one) candidate.

VII. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

A. Chemistry Department:

1. Paula Gustin reported the SDMC HSI STEMS Coordinator is looking for alternate funding sources in response to funding cuts to the U.S. Department of Education.
 - a. We will no longer be able to conduct the "Peer Mentoring Program" for Biology, Chemistry and Physical Sciences.

VIII. PLANNING/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Academic Affairs: Odasso (No Report)

B. Academic Senate: Hoffman

1. Reported by Jill Moreno Ikari.

As submitted by Andrew Hoffman via Outlook:

"I am still recruiting volunteers for Phase III of the Common Course Numbering project. I've received several names already, and I need to submit Mesa College's names by April 15. I encourage the chairs to look at Justin Estep's email from Monday regarding CCN Summer Convenings and Survey Opportunities.

Course Learning Outcomes are still a major issue. Please make sure your department has plans to complete the CLOs by June 30, although an earlier date in June, such as June 9 (when grades are due), might be more realistic so we're not asking faculty to work during their summer vacation. August Flex days in an excellent time for departments schedule discussions about the outcomes results and enter those results into Nuventive as a way of "closing the loop."

The FHP list will get its second read at the next PCab meeting."

C. American Federation of Teachers (AFT): Duckles (No Report)

D. Curriculum Review Committee (CRC): Resch

"As reported by Nathan Resch:

The proposed Baccalaureate GE pattern that meets Title 5 requirements and CalGETC was approved with 10 in favor, 8 opposing and a number of abstentions. Those voting in favor had concerns that, if the proposal failed, the default would fall to Cal-GETC which would require 7 additional GE units. Those who opposed voiced concern that the process was rushed, it fails to address how Lifelong Learning and Self Development might be included as an option, the proposal arbitrarily applied option 4 waiving all district requirements rather than considering how certain majors that cover course materials in the subjects might waive certain requirements (like Physical Therapy Assisting, Fire and Nursing), Baccalaureate degrees are terminal awards so we should look to instill our district requirements and values to shape our students as prepared citizens in the community, and most programs like Health Information management do not accept students into the program until they complete pre-requisites so there is confusion over which GE they going to follow before or in the case that they do not get in. It now heads to academic senate and CIC.

The district GE Taskforce will vote on GE proposals April 11.

The new Mesa Online Catalog is scheduled to go live in Meta on April 15th."

E. Student Services: Dougherty/Higginbotham/Marrujo/Parker

1. Counseling:

a. Co-Chair Kari Parker provided a report.

2. DSPS:

a. Chair Erika Higginbotham provided a report.

3. EOPS: Fliers for Upcoming EOPS Events – Forwarded to the DL for Mesa Department Chairs.

a. Chair Nellie Dougherty provided a report.

F. Enrollment Management and Instructional Strategic Planning Committee: Budzynski

1. Donna Budzynski provided a report.

G. Planning & Institutional Effectiveness (PIE) Committee: Hoffman/Moreno Ikari

1. Jill Moreno Ikari provided a report.

H. President's Cabinet: Hoffman/Moreno Ikari

1. Jill Moreno Ikari provided a report.

I. Program Review Committee (PRC): Acting Faculty Co-Chair Dina Miyoshi

1. Dina Miyoshi provided a report.

J. Strong Work Force Committee: Johnston/Wong

As reported by Amanda Johnston:

"SWF funding is being cut and it could impact CTE programs."

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ROUND TABLE/FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- A.** Jennifer Snyder asked about the current criteria for approving BARC funding requests.

X. NEXT CoC MEETING: April 23, 2025

XI. ADJOURNMENT @ 3:05PM.

Submitted by Sue Saetia:

Approved by the SDMC AS CoC: April 23, 2025