



San Diego Mesa College (SDMC) Academic Senate (AS)

Committee of Chairs

May 14, 2025

MC 211 A/B

MEETING MINUTES

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Present:

Chair of Chairs Jill Moreno Ikari, Valerie Abe, Juan Bernal, Anar Brahmbhatt, Donna Budzynski, Ida Cross, Todd Curran, Nellie Dougherty, Ian Duckles, Erin Evans, Tasha Frankie, Paula Gustin, Michael Harrison, Erika Higginbotham, Gloria Kim, Ken Kuniyuki, César López, Bryan Malinis, Guillermo Marrujo, Annette Miner, Dina Miyoshi, Ryan Mongelluzzo, Bruce Naschak, Hannah Padilla Barajas, Kari Parker, Nathan Resch, Jennifer Snyder, Irena Stojimirovic, Todd White, Robert Wong and Guests AS President Andrew Hoffman, AS Vice President/Incoming Communication Studies Department Chair Veronica Gerace, Professor Danica Moore and Professor Thu "Tiffany" Nguyen

Excused Absences:

Candace Katungi (Excused) & George Ye (Excused)

I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME by Chair of Chairs Jill Moreno Ikari @ 2:35PM.

II. APPROVAL OF DRAFT AGENDA:

Move to Approve:

M/S

Bernal/Stojimirovic

UNANIMOUS

III. GUEST(s):

A.

IV. APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES: April 23, 2025

Move to Approve:

M/S

Stojimirovic/Budzynski

28 Approve

1 Abstain

Wong

V. OLD BUSINESS: None

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Petition to Raise Faculty Salaries: Stojimirovic/Moore/Nguyen ([PowerPoint Presentation](#))

1. SDMC Faculty Members shared their concerns regarding the current district Faculty salary schedule.
2. Ian Duckles reported Jim Mahler will send a survey on the topic to district Faculty.

B. Outcomes: Moreno Ikari

1. Our current completion rate is 50%.
 - a. Our goal is 75%.
2. The completion deadline is June 30, 2025.
3. Please contact Eliza "Liza" Rabinovich (erabinovich@sdccd.edu) if you have questions.

VII. DEPARTMENT REPORTS: None

VIII. PLANNING/COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Academic Affairs: Odasso (No Report)

B. Academic Senate: Hoffman

As reported by Andrew Hoffman:

"At the Academic Senate meeting of May 12, we had the following:

- Hai Hong, dean of Institutional Effectiveness, and Eliza Rabinovich, faculty outcomes coordinator were our guests. They gave an update on the process of responding to the ACCJC. The number of CLOs reported is just under 50%. We expect that to approach 75%. Please remember that the outcomes data needs to be reported by June 30, but given that we're on summer after June 9, please encourage your faculty to get those reports in before departing for summer vacation. Also, please have your departments and programs do the "closing the loop" activities in August. All of this needs to be entered into Nuventive. Hai and Liza also reported that there is still work to be done at district in terms of getting the outcomes correctly entered into Meta.
- For New Business, we voted to suspend the rule to pass the SDCCD Black Student Success Instructional Recommendations brought forward by Candace Katungi and Veronica Gerace. The rule was suspended, and the Senate supported the recommendations, which will be brought to the Board of Trustees in June.
- Voted into New Business for consideration in the fall was a resolution entitled Professional Development Funding, which argues for continue funding of professional development. It's currently scheduled to take a big hit.
- Also voted into New Business was a resolution brought by Judy Sundayo, in her last AS meeting. The resolution is titled Calling on SDMC to Affirm its Commitment to the Programs, Projects, Services, Committees, Learning Communities, Clubs and Personnel Supporting Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility. The rule was suspended and the resolution was approved.
- Under Old Business, AP 7211 was pulled as Miramar is proposing revisions and Mesa's Senate did not have adequate time to consider those. Also, the District GE proposal was pulled because Justin Estep, co-chair of CRC, was unable to be in attendance to spoke to the proposal. Both will be considered in the fall.
- AS voted to support the new questions for the student Faculty Evaluation form. This is a bargainable section of the CBA, so this gives the union our imprimatur to enter into negotiations with the district. The form has not been updated in decades.
- Fraudulent enrollment continues to be a problem, and there's a new wrinkle: students enrolling in face-to-face classes who do not attend but submit work via Canvas. If an instructor doesn't take roll and has all assignments submitted electronically, this could happen. The work submitted will typically be AI created. The district has paid out \$500,000 to fraudulent students in financial aid. Multiply that by 68 districts across the state and you can see the enticement. The State Chancellor's Office has not risen to the occasion, in my opinion.
- 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 IDEAA 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"

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

D. Curriculum Review Committee (CRC): Resch

As reported by Nathan Resch:

"Last meeting was held 5/1/2025. The 2025-2026 meeting and deadline calendar has been updated on the Mesa CRC webpage."

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

1. Nellie Dougherty reported we still need commencement ceremony volunteers.
2. Erica Higginbotham reported DSPS Students are still trying to enroll in Summer 2025 classes.

F. Enrollment Management and Instructional Strategic Planning Committee: Budzynski

1. Michael Harrison will be the next committee Co-Chair.
2. Please send your "Ad Astra" account requests for the new Room Matrix to Mila Zagayanskiy (mzagvyans@sdccd.edu).

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 Steering Committee (PRSC): Acting Faculty Co-Chair Dina Miyoshi

1. Dina Miyoshi provided a report.

J. Strong Work Force Committee: Johnston/Wong (No Report)

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

- A.** Thank you to Jill Moreno Ikari for your service as Chair of Chairs!
- B.** Thank you to Valerie Abe, Ida Cross, Andrew Hoffman and the SDMC AS Exec for supporting Jill's Thank You Celebration!

X. NEXT CoC MEETING: Fall 2025

XI. ADJOURNMENT @ 3:55PM.

Submitted by Sue Saetia