



**San Diego Mesa College
Academic Affairs Committee
February 4, 2019: Room A117 (4:15PM-5:30PM)
MINUTES
Draft**

Present: Chair Howard Eskew, Jack Forman, Mary Gwin, Bryan Malinis, Miriam Pacheco, Steve Sanchez and Leslie Seiger

Absent: Oscar V. Torres (Excused)

I. Call to Order by Chair Howard Eskew @ 4:29PM.

II. Review and Approval of Draft Agenda:

Motion to approve:

M/S

Forman/Malinis

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III. Review and Approval of Draft Minutes: November 26, 2018

Motion to approve with changes from Howard Eskew and Bryan Malinis:

M/S

Forman/Malinis

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IV. Report from Academic Senate Meeting: December 3, 2018

A. Spring 2019 Academic Senate Election:

1. Nominations are being accepted for the positions of Secretary, Senator at Large and Treasurer until March 8, 2019.

V. Guest(s): None

VI. Old Business:

A. Equivalency Approval Process: Chair Howard Eskew

1. Howard reported the current process is tedious and has not been reviewed since 2010.
2. Howard reported Equivalency is not the same as Minimum Qualifications.
3. Equivalency is reviewed at Mesa/City/Miramar Colleges and Continuing Education.
4. Howard was able to reach SDCCD Director of Employment & Professional Development Erin Milligan Hill to inform her that we are currently reviewing the process.
5. Chair of Chairs Terry Kohlenberg will find out if the Department Chairs have concerns regarding the current process.
6. The concerns we receive from the Department Chairs regarding the current Equivalency Approval Process will be reported to the Senate Exec Committees for Mesa College, City College, Continuing Education and Miramar College.

B. Guided Pathways (GP) Inquiry Groups: Chair Howard Eskew

1. Spring 2019 Faculty Coordinators Howard Eskew and Toni Parsons met with VPI Isabel O'Connor.
 - a. How will GP progress under the new VPI?
 - We will see a different perspective.
2. Please attend the GP Retreat this Friday.
 - a. Howard said he is excited that Classroom Faculty will be able to talk to the Counselors.
3. Please try to join a GP inquiry group and report back to Academic Affairs Committee:
<https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/current-initiatives/guided-pathways/meetings.shtml>

C. Mesa College Committee Structure: Chair Howard Eskew

1. Academic Affairs was asked to review the subcommittee structure and make recommendations
 - a. Academic Senate Vice President Dina Miyoshi will present our findings to the Senate Executive Committee.

VII. New Business: None

VIII. Round Table:

- A.** Mary Gwin reported her classes are going great and she will be attending a conference in April.
- B.** Steve Sanchez reported Exercise Sciences has a new Full-Time Counselor assigned to the Exercise Science Building.
- C.** Bryan Malinis reported the Speech and Debate team will compete in several events this semester including a competition in Berlin, Germany.
- D.** Howard Eskew reported that Financial Literacy Speakers Series events are scheduled for spring 2019.
- E.** Jack Forman asked the committee members to ask their Department Faculty to contact Librarian Sean Flores if they would like the Mesa College LRC to renew our electronic subscriptions for the Encyclopedia Britannica and the Oxford English Dictionary (OED).
- F.** Jack Forman also reminded the committee that Librarians are available to meet with Faculty and their Classes to provide information regarding the resources that are available in the LRC.
- G.** Miriam Pacheco reported the following:
 1. Faculty Members are providing "Add Code" to Students in front of the Counseling Office.
 - a. Students are able to meet Faculty before the class starts.
 2. The Counselors are looking forward to attending the GP Retreat this Friday.
 3. There will be a RAZA Grad Event in May.
 4. We currently have approximately 660 San Diego Promise Students and we are making plans for continuing the program next year.
 - a. Leslie Seiger said it would help if San Diego Promise Students are flagged on the class rosters.

VIII. Next Meeting: February 25, 2019

IX. Adjournment @ 5:23PM.

Motion to adjourn:

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Gwin/Malinis

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