



**San Diego Mesa College  
Academic Affairs Committee  
April 1, 2019: Room A117 (4:15PM-5:30PM)  
MINUTES**

**Draft**

**Present:** Chair Howard Eskew, Jack Forman, Mary Gwin, Bryan Malinis, Miriam Pacheco, Steve Sanchez Leslie Seiger and Oscar V. Torres

**I. Call to Order by Chair Howard Eskew @ 4:24PM.**

**II. Review and Approval of Draft Agenda:**

Motion to approve with the addition of "Election Procedures" to New Business by Chair Howard Eskew:

**M/S**

Forman/Sanchez

**UNANIMOUS**

**III. Review and Approval of Draft Minutes:** March 11, 2019

Motion to approve with a changed from Oscar V. Torres:

**M/S**

Malinis/Sanchez

**UNANIMOUS**

**IV. Report from Academic Senate Meeting:** March 18, 2019 (Chair Howard Eskew)

**A. DRAFT 2019-2022 Mesa College Technology Plan:** Mesa College Information Technology (MIT) Committee  
<https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/governance/committees/mesa-information-technology-committee.shtml>

1. The draft plan provides a snapshot of Mesa College's current technology infrastructure.
2. Please send your feedback to Momilani Ramstrum and Walter "Duane" Wesley.
3. The MIT Committee needs a sense that the Academic Senate supports the plan.

**B. Resolution 19.3.1:** Opposition to the California State Universities' General Education Task Force (CSU GETF) Recommendation to Reduce American Institutions Unit Requirements.

1. The recommendation impacts Black Studies, Chicano Studies, History, Women's Studies and possibly Humanities.
2. The resolution asks the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC) to oppose the CSUGETF recommendation
3. The rules were suspended in order to approve the resolution prior to the Area D Meeting and the "Spring 2019 ASCCC Plenary Session".

**C. Resolution 19.3.2:** Eligibility to Run for Academic Senate Executive Officer Positions

1. Resolution 19.3.2 replaces resolution 19.2.1 that was tabled in March 2019 and proposes constitutional changes to the eligibility to run for some Senate Executive Officer positions.

**D. 2019-2020 Sabbatical Awards:** The 2019-2020 Sabbatical Awards will be announce on April 8<sup>th</sup>.

**E. Guided Pathways:**

1. Self-Assessment: The template was sent to the Senators on March 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - a. The self-assessment will be completed by the inquiry groups tasked with completing the self-assessment.
  - b. We will ask for a Sense of the Senate before April 30<sup>th</sup>.

**V. Guest(s):** None

## VI. Old Business:

### A. Academic Affairs Sub-Committee Reassignment: Chair Howard Eskew

1. Asian/Pacific Islander Committee: There are currently two (2) Asian/Pacific Islander committees
  - a. Asian/Pacific Islander Advisory Committee:  
<http://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/governance/committees/asian-pacific-islander-american-advisory-committee.shtml>
  - b. Shannon Shi's committee coordinates the "Asian Film Festival" at Mesa College.
  - c. Oscar V. Torres reported the committee is going through reorganization.
2. Humanities Institute: George Ye is the current Chair.  
<https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/current-initiatives/humanities-institute/>
  - a. The Humanities Institute awards funding requests for Conference/Travel and other activities.
3. Women's Studies Advisory Committee: Chair Gloria Kim would like to continue to report to Academic Affairs.  
<http://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/governance/committees/womens-studies-advisory-committee.shtml>
4. Howard Eskew reported Academic Senate President Kim Perigo said Academic Affairs Subcommittees need to perform Academic Senate work.
5. Howard Eskew also reported the Committee for Diversity Action, Inclusion & Equity (CDAIE will vote this Friday on adopting the Fine and Performing Arts Committee as a subcommittee.

### B. Chair of Academic Affairs Election: Chair Howard Eskew

1. Candidate Statements:
  - a. Bryan Malinis and Oscar V. Torres provided their statements to the committee.
  - b. Chair Howard Eskew asked the committee to read the candidates' statements.
1. Election: The committee will vote by secret ballot on April 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - a. Tie Breaker:
    - Mary Gwin reported Robert's Rules state that the voting body continues to vote under there is a winner.
    - Mary Gwin also reported a few political elections have been settled with a "coin toss".

### C. Guided Pathways (GP): Chair Howard Eskew

1. Self-Assessment:
  - a. The template has been sent to the inquiry groups tasked with completing the self-assessment.
  - b. The first draft is due on April 30<sup>th</sup>.
    - The first draft does not require signatures.
2. We will try to complete the Mapping this summer.

## VII. New Business:

### A. Academic Affairs Committee Chair Position: Nomination and Election Procedures (Chair Howard Eskew)

1. Codify Chair Election Procedures in the Academic Senate Constitution: Academic Senate Resolution
  - a. Nomination Process:
  - b. Candidate Statements: More than one (1) nominee.
  - c. Election Date:
  - d. Secret Ballots:
  - e. How to Break a Tie:
  - f. Process for Filling a Vacancy during the Middle of a Term:

**VII. Round Table:**

- A.** Chair Howard Eskew reported he was nominated for the Academic Senate Vice President position.
- B.** Chair Howard Eskew also reported the next Entrepreneurship Speaker Series event is April 9<sup>th</sup> in LRC 435 @ 11:30AM on the Entrepreneur's Tool Kit (Preparing for a Successful Launch) with Eduardo Landeros.
- C.** Howard Eskew also reported the next Financial Literacy Speaker Series event is April 11<sup>th</sup> in LRC 435 @ 11:30AM on the Pros and Cons of Private Student Loans with Cher Stingo.
- D.** Jack Forman reported Adjunct Librarian coverage has been cut and there will not be an Evening Reference Desk Librarian on duty.
  - 1. Howard Eskew reported Mesa College is facing a 1.6 million dollar budget shortfall and there will be cuts the upcoming fall/spring/summer class schedules and a hiring freeze.
    - g. Steve Sanchez reported the Exercise Science summer 2019 schedule has been reduced to a handful of classes.
- E.** Mary Gwin reported she will be attending two conferences in April.
- F.** Bryan Malinis reported six members of the Speech and Debate team will compete in Reno.
  - 1. A different group of students competed in Germany.
- G.** Mariam Pacheco reported 45 graduates have signed up for the Raza Grad event as of yesterday.
- H.** Steve Sanchez reported the Baseball season is about half over and Mesa College is in first place.
- I.** Steve Sanchez also reported that two (2) of our current players will most likely be drafted by a major league baseball team.
- J.** Leslie Seiger reported the Mesa College Earth Day Celebration Fair is April 17<sup>th</sup> and will include a Botany Plant Sale.
- K.** Oscar V.Torres reported he answered the Department of Energy's Questionnaire regarding equipment purchased using Department of Energy funds.
  - a. One question was "What has the equipment all you to do that was not possible without the equipment?"
  - b. Mesa College cannot sell or remove the equipment.
  - c. The equipment does not have district equipment inventory numbers.

**VIII. Next Meeting:** April 15, 2019

**IX. Adjournment @ 5.29PM.**

Motion to adjourn:

**M/S**

Gwin/Malinis

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