



**San Diego Mesa College
Academic Affairs Committee**

April 12, 2021: Via Zoom (4:15PM-5:00PM)

Link (<https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/93838962989>) hold "Ctrl" and click to open

Draft Minutes

I. Call to Order and Attendance by Chair: Oscar V. Torres, 4:15 PM

Torres took attendance of members, these include:

Mary Gwin, Leslie Seiger, Amanda Johnston, Dave Odasso, Miriam Pacheco, Linda Hensley, Bryan Malinis, Sean Ricketts, Jack Forman, Oscar Torres

II. Review and Approval of Draft Agenda: 04-12-2021

Torres gave 2 minutes for the agenda to be edited by any committee member.

III. Announcements:

Next Campus Forum - Tuesday, April 13, 2021, 2:15; If you have time, please attend, invite others

Next Academic Senate - Monday, April 19, 2021 at 2:20; All faculty are welcomed to attend

Next PCAB - Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 2:15; Next update will be provided on 4/26/21

IV. Review and Approval of Draft Minutes:

V. Special Guest(s): None

VI. Reports from:

- A. Academic Senate; April 5, 2021 Torres - Anthony Reuss from counseling came to Senate in order to ask for support, because student records are expected to be delayed. Pacheco – did not attend senate, but knows that there is a shortage of evaluators, and this is important because updated student transcripts are needed for registration, transfer, graduation, pre-requisites, and class substitutions. Gwin – there might be difficulties with technologies, however this is a district wide problems, not just at Mesa College. Evaluators might be delayed with transcript process. Torres – should we support this upcoming resolution? Johnston – this is a big issue for allied health programs because faculty may not have access to all updated transcripts. Students might not receive licensure. Torres - I always have unpopular opinions, but is this issue of more evaluators even a senate purview? Hensley – given the hiring freeze, there are many job positions that are needed, should the Senate single out one particular job as being more important? Torres – correct. Pacheco – Counseling is faculty, so this issue is a faculty issue, if no one is there to review the transcripts, then overall enrolment will be negatively influenced because counselors will not be

able to advise student on their courses. Torres - based on these points, I will now change my position and agree with providing faculty support to evaluators. Torres – Different topic, make sure to update courses if you are contacted by Kenny. Torres – Different topic, our second constitutional changes are now in the Senate, thank you to everyone. Hensley – Charis and Deans are to discuss fall semester this week. Seiger – SDSU and UCSD are opening for fall. Torres – based on the Chancellor’s email this week, most lecture courses will continue remotely and teach online. Ricketts – student athletes are going to come back to campus, there is a lot of excitement. Torres – good luck. Pacheco asked what the protocols are for students. Ricketts discussed these in detail.

- B. PCAB; April 6, 2021; Torres - Chairs and Deans are discussing FTEF, on that point there is still not a lot of information on that. The Math and Science spreadsheet, based on tiered color system, was distributed across other disciplines. Torres – what about FTEF? Hensley - It will be about the same, across the board, as last fall 2020. Mesa IT is update some equipment with the classrooms. Legaspi stated that the campus is still technically closed. There are resources through the district website, and that there are forms for faculty support, funding coming from COVID relieve packets. If faculty need support, please encourage them to email chairs, and deans.
- C. Executive meeting: April 12, 2021; Torres – There is an issue, with some students feeling misrepresented, as faculty are using logos on their respective email signatures, which support minority groups. As of now, there is no action item or resolution on this topic. Gwin – the idea is that there are some student that feel we, as faculty, are “politicizing education” when that should not be the case in academia. There is a document being worked on now. The document discloses potential responses to students who might feel this way for BLM, Pride, or Dreamers logos. The document sites SDCCD board policies and resolution passed by senate which supports these mentioned groups. These are “cut and paste” responses to student. Torres – the Executive committee might want another governance body to accept it and/or house. Seiger/Gwin – maybe the Loft just house the document, the senate could get a sense of support or not, but it could be housed elsewhere. Hensley – the document could be housed in the Loft, along with similar documents developed by other instructional deans. Gwin – agrees that the Loft should be the keep of the document, so no need for a Senate resolution. Torres – agrees.

VII. Old Business:

- A. Academic Dishonesty Paper; Bryan Malinis – asked the body to approve the document so that we can send it to the Executive team. Hensley – the paper can be applied to other teaching modalities, not just teaching online, Johnston – maybe keeping an online focus is timely, especially now that we are still teaching remotely. Das – the restorative justice paragraph was a good addition, maybe removing the online focus would widen the application of suggested practices. Seiger – supports the restorative justice add-on. Torres – we will then remove the online references, and mention that these issue, of academic dishonesty. might be amplified in online formats.

B. SDCCD recommendations when using instructional video

Torres – faculty should be aware of official SDCCD publications regarding policies and practices for a safe return onto campus. A review of the links on page 2 was provided. Hensley – many employees have been working on campus already, and following established guidelines. Torres – agreed. Sieger - occasionally I go the green house on campus, and follow the rules. Johnston – faculty who teach labs on campus do have to take time and clean some areas. Torres – that’s good, but all opinions should be considered, whereby some faculty might disagree or not feel comfortable with that notion. Hensley – there is a Mesa task force that will be a meeting to discuss some of these issues, formulate a plan, and a safe return to campus, if health conditions regard COVID continue to improve locally.

VIII. New Business:

A. Recommendations for Zoom disruption and LOFT Task Force

B. District reports and published announcements)

Torres – faculty should be aware of official SDCCD publications regarding policies and practices when using video and recording their lectures.

C. Green revolving fund/ resolution to support

IX. Round Table Discussion/Announcements by Membership:

A. List of other committee/task force commitments by our members

B. Call for new potential members at next Senate meeting; Torres – asked for members to ask other faculty to join the Affairs committee.

X. Next Meeting: April 26, 2021 04:15 PM

XI. Adjournment Time: ____5:30__PM____

Campus Community Forum on Tuesday; April 13, 2021, 2:15 – 3:30 p.m.

<https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/92551407225?pwd=K1V0d2UyaU9ZWityUIFabi8xWnpuQT09>

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Academic Senate; Monday; Monday, April 19, 2021 at 2:20 pm

<https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/94383651016>

President's Cabinet Meeting; April 20, 2021, 2:15 – 3:45 p.m.

<https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/99251761945?pwd=RzFabkVJV0ZpS3JRamVHL2FrNUtDQT09>

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SDCCD recommendations when using instructional video

https://www.sdccd.edu/about/departments-and-offices/instructional-services-division/online-learning-pathways-1/faculty/recording_options.aspx

SDCCD RETURN TO IN-PERSON ACTIVITIES TASK FORCE

<https://www.sdccd.edu/about/departments-and-offices/communications-and-public-relations/newscenter/articles/2021/coronavirus-covid-update-3-16-2021.aspx>

District reports and published announcements

[https://go.boarddocs.com/ca/sdccd/Board.nsf/files/BZFRRZ6F5075/\\$file/ATTACHMENT%20A%20-%20Decisions%20and%20Plans%20Regarding%20COVID-19.pdf](https://go.boarddocs.com/ca/sdccd/Board.nsf/files/BZFRRZ6F5075/$file/ATTACHMENT%20A%20-%20Decisions%20and%20Plans%20Regarding%20COVID-19.pdf)

<https://www.sdccd.edu/docs/District/employee/COVID.Cleaning.pdf>

<https://www.sdccd.edu/docs/District/employee/OfficeSafety.Return.pdf>

<https://www.sdccd.edu/docs/District/employee/Diagnosis.Safely.Return.pdf>

[https://go.boarddocs.com/ca/sdccd/Board.nsf/files/BZEV837F705F/\\$file/SDCCD%20Resolution%20in%20Support%20of%20AAPI%20Community.pdf](https://go.boarddocs.com/ca/sdccd/Board.nsf/files/BZEV837F705F/$file/SDCCD%20Resolution%20in%20Support%20of%20AAPI%20Community.pdf)

http://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the-president/presentation-documents/Mesa_College_HEERF_Draft_3.16.21.pdf