



**San Diego Mesa College
Academic Affairs Committee
May 2, 2022
Minutes**

Present: Chair Oscar V. Torres, Dean Linda Hensley, Mary Gwin, Amanda Johnston, Bryan Malinis, Das Nugent-Odasso, Miriam Pacheco, Sean Ricketts and Jennifer Sime

Absent: Leslie Seiger

I. Call to Order:

A. Roll of Attendance:

II. Review and Approval of Draft Agenda:

A. Additions to agenda and member suggestions are welcomed: None

III. Review of Draft Minutes: April 18, 2022

A. Mary Gwin, Amanda Johnston and Bryan Malinis submitted changes to the draft April 18th minutes.

IV. Special Guest(s):

A. Mesa Pathways:

Marisa Alioto submitted the following Mesa Pathways report via email:

Academic and Career Pathways (ACP) Descriptions:

Presentations of the final drafts of the edited descriptions of our Academic and Career Pathways (ACPs) at the Dean's Council and the Committee on Chairs. Any minor edits and feedback has been requested by 05/06/22. We hope to have final versions of these ACPs published by the end of the semester.

Student Success Teams Project Team (SST):

The SST project team is currently having discussions on the structure of the student success teams. Identification of core data metrics, which align with the Mesa 2030 Plan have been preliminarily identified and presented to MPC.

The Student Success Teams project team is reviewing the results of the Student Success Teams Interest Form/Survey which will inform what ACP will be piloted as well as the composition of the SST.

Pathways Fellows:

The Pathways Fellows, under the leadership of Trina Larson and Dani Perez Padilla, have created a retrospective video that will showcase the past five years of Pathways work, including the evolution of Pathways at Mesa, highlight projects and accomplishments, and promote the future of Pathways at Mesa College. This video premiered at the April 19th PCAB meeting.

Watch the video here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QoTN9NiKE1o>

Call for Members: Pathways Workgroups and Project Teams: If you are interested in becoming involved in a Pathways workgroup or project team, please reach out to MesaPathways@sdccd.edu.

Next MPC Meeting: Our next MPC Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 11th from 12:45 - 2:15 pm. The meeting is a hy-flex and the face-to-face meeting will be in LRC 435.

To learn more about Mesa Pathways: <https://www.sdmesa.edu/mesa-pathways/>

V. Reports From:

A. Committee of Chairs: Wednesday (April 27, 2022)

1. Bryan Malinis:
 - a. Donna Budzynski's presentation on enrollment trends since 2014.
 - Mesa College was experiencing a downward trend in our enrollment before the pandemic began.
 - * The report provides food for thought for our enrollment planning.
 - b. The district is working with UCSD and other local institutions to review our current Covid 19 Protocols.
 - Chair Oscar V. Torres said it seems like institutions want to make it possible for more Students to enroll in their classes.

B. President's Cabinet Retreat: Tuesday (April 26, 2022)

1. Oscar V. Torres:
 - a. The event was well attended.
 - b. The National Assessment of Collegiate Campus Climates (NACCC) was in attendance.
 - The NACCC developed a report for Mesa College.
 - * The report has interesting findings that are particular to Mesa College.
 - * 68% of Mesa Colleges Students are female.
 - * How Students of Color feel when they are in a classroom with a White Professor? (They are less likely to feel that they receive affirmations from a White Faculty Member.)
 - * How can Mesa College make our Students of Color feel more welcomed?

C. Senate Executive Committee: Monday (May 2, 2022)

1. Oscar V. Torres:
 - a. We do not know if the fall 2022 Academic Senate meetings will be held face to face.
 - Mary Gwin said we will have to follow district policy.
 - Bryan Malinis reported he is seeing movement to "Hyflex" meetings.
 - Mary Gwin reported she is comfortable using the technology available for "Hyflex" meetings.
2. Mary Gwin:
 - a. Requirements for Distance Education/Online Class Attendance:
 - District Dean of Student Services Victor Devore:
 - * "The Student must "actively participate" and we must be able to have documentation of such participation.

Here's the regulation:

In a distance education context, documenting that a student has logged into an online distance education platform or system is not sufficient, by itself, to demonstrate attendance by the student.

To qualify as a last date of attendance for Return of Title IV purposes, an institution must demonstrate that a student participated in class or was otherwise engaged in an academically related activity, such as by contributing to an online discussion or initiating contact with a faculty member to ask a course-related question. (34 CFR 668.22(b) (3))."

VI. Upcoming meetings Campus and District Meetings:

- A. Academic Senate:** May 16, 2022 (2:20PM) Date change due to Mesa College President Finalists Forum on May 9th.
- B. Committee of Chairs:** May 11, 2022 (2:30PM)
- C. President's Cabinet:** May 3, 2022 (2:15 PM)
- D. Mesa College President Finalists Forum:** May 9, 2022

VII. Old Business:

A. Questions for the Mesa College Vice Presidents – May 16, 2022 Meeting:

- 1. Please let Chair Oscar V. Torres know if you have questions for the Mesa College Vice Presidents.

B. Minutes for 2022 Academic Affairs Committee Meetings:

- 1. Please review the draft spring 2022 meeting minutes and send your changes.

C. Inventory of Mesa College Committee:

- 1. Does the Academic Affairs Committee want to review Dean Bridget Herrin's document?
 - a. Bryan Malinis said it would be too difficult for the Academic Affairs Committee to compare our list to Dean Herrin's list.

D. Recommended "Class Visit" Process for Online Classes:

- 1. Please send your suggestions to Dina Miyoshi.

E. Second 8 Week Classes Enrollment Data:

- 1. Dean Bridget Herrin will present the enrollment data during the May 16th Academic Senate meeting.

VIII. New Business:

A. Review of Possible Academic Affairs Committee Agenda Items for Fall 2022:

- 1. Please evaluate the likelihood of success before you decide if the committee wants to take on a task.
- 2. Do all departments have an Academic Senate Representative?
- 3. "Hyflex" Classroom Equipment
- 4. Faculty Assessment Committee on Threats (FACT) Resurrection
- 5. Restructuring Committees
- 6. Following Established Guidelines for Committees
- 7. Credit for Prior Learning (CPL)
- 8. Formation of a Subcommittee on Governance Reporting
- 9. Funds Requests Portal: <https://www.sdmesa.edu/requests/>
- 10. Proposed Changes to the Faculty Co-Chair of Program Review and Outcomes and Assessments Coordinator positions.
- 11. Mesa College Committees Inventory
- 12. Office Hours for the Faculty Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee

B. Faculty Hiring Priority Committee (FHPC):

- 1. Immediate Past President Manuel Vélez asked President John Crocitti, Chair of Chairs Paula Gustin and Academic Affairs Committee Faculty Chair Oscar V. Torres to oppose the list FHPC submitted to President's Cabinet in April 2022.

IX. Round Table Discussion/Announcements by Membership:

A. Any questions from the Faculty for the last Academic Affairs meeting of the semester? None

X. Next Meeting: August 29, 2022

XI. Adjournment @ 5:34PM.

Submitted by Sue Saetia:

Approved by the Academic Affairs Committee: August 29, 2022

