



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

Academic Affairs Committee

November 27, 2023

Room A117

4:15PM – 5:30PM

MINUTES

Present:

Chair Mary Gwin, Dean Linda Hensley, Gail Bachman, Lisa Burgert, David "Das" Odasso, Miriam Pacheco, Leslie Seiger, Ngoc "Kim" Tran and Guests Interns Anne Hall and George Rodriguez

Absent:

Sean Ricketts (Excused)

I. Call to Order & Welcome by Chair Mary Gwin @ 4:21PM.

II. Review and Approval of Draft Agenda:

Move to Approve:

M/S

Burgert/Hensley

UNANIMOUS

III. Guest: None

IV. Review of Draft Minutes: November 6, 2023

Move to approve with a change from Lisa Burgert:

M/S

Bachman/Burgert

UNANIMOUS

V. Guided Pathways Report: Alioto (No Report)

VI. Spring 2023 Mesa College and SDCCD Meetings: Reports (Gwin)

A. Academic Senate: November 13th

1. Resolution 2023.11.1 – Request SDCCD & SDMC Adopt & Implement Anti-Defamation League Policies:

Updated November 27th

a. Revision includes changes to the list of "whereas" and the notation that the SDMC AS does not agree or disagree with Anti-Defamation League (ADL) position.

- The November 27th update has not been sent to the SDMC AS.

* Updated resolution is scheduled for a second reading and potential vote on December 4th.

b. Mary Gwin will vote on behalf of the Academic Affairs Committee on December 4th.

c. The committee members shared their thoughts regarding the resolution.

B. Committee of Chairs (CoC): November 8th

1. Paula Gustin and Toni Parsons reported on the possible implications of AB 1705. [LINK](#)

2. Irena Stojimirovic reported on STEMS Peer Mentorship Program. [LINK](#)

C. President's Cabinet: Special Meetings (November 27, 2023 – November 30, 2023)

D. Senate Executive Committee: Met Today from 3:30PM – 4:15PM due to the Chancellor's Finalist Forum.

1. AB 1705:
 - a. Mary suggested that the committee creates a resolution to ask for support.
 - b. The workgroup can also ask the Academic Affairs Committee for assistance.

E. Senate Executive Officers Meeting with President Hands and the Mesa College Vice Presidents: TBD

F. SDCCD Board of Trustees (BOT): [2023-2024 Meeting Schedule](#)

VII. Old Business:

A. Academic Affairs (AA) Committee Proposed Project: Gwin

1. Conduct Faculty Survey During Spring 2024 Convocation:

VIII. New Business:

A. DSPS Policy on Memory Aids: Gwin

1. Mary will meet with DSPS Chair Erika Higginbotham:
 - a. We need transparency about the official DSPS policy regarding memory aids.
2. Kim Tran said the Faculty Member must be a part of the decision-making process on the type of acceptable memory aid.

IX. Round Table Discussion/Announcements by Membership: None

X. Spring 2024 Academic Affairs Committee Membership:

- A. Thank you to Dean Hensley for your service on the Academic Affairs Committee!
- B. Dean Pearl Ly will be our Administrative Representative in spring 2024.

XI. Next Academic Affairs Committee Meeting: February 5, 2024

XII. Adjournment @ 5:29 PM:

Move to Adjourn:

M/S

Odasso/Burgert

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Submitted by Sue Saetia:

Approved by the SDMC AS Academic Affairs Committee: February 6, 2024