

**San Diego Mesa College (SDMC)**  
**Academic Senate (AS)**  
**Academic Affairs Committee**  
**October 7, 2024**  
 Room A117  
 4:15PM – 5:30PM  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**Present:** Chair Dave “Das” Odasso, Dean Monica Romero, Miriam Pacheco, Sean Ricketts and Ngoc “Kim” Tran

**Absent:** Gail Bachman, Lisa Burgert and Leslie Seiger(Excused)

**I. Call to Order & Welcome by Chair Das Odasso @ 4:33PM.**

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

Move to Approve:

**M/S**

Romero/Ricketts

**UNANIMOUS**

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

**IV. Review of Draft Minutes:** September 16, 2024

Move to Approve:

**M/S**

Romero/Ricketts

**UNANIMOUS**

**V. Fall 2024 Mesa College and SDCCD Meetings:** Links to Reports (Please review past minutes.)

**A. Academic Senate:** September 23, 2024 ([Approved Meeting Minutes](#))

**B. Committee of Chairs (CoC):** September 25, 2024 ([Approved Meeting Minutes](#))

**C. President’s Cabinet:** September 17, 2024 ([PCab Documents](#))

**D. Senate Executive Committee:** Met Today

1. [New Institutional Effectiveness Request Process:](#)

a. Dean Hai Hoang and Nancy Cortes asked for feedback for the new questionnaire.

2. Do we want SDMC to participated in the district’s Pilot Contract Faculty Hiring program?:

b. Andrew will send more questions to the Vice Chancellor of People, Culture and Technology

3. [Reaccreditation:](#) SDMC must meet Accreditation Standard II by October 2025.

**E. Senate Exec. Officers Meeting with President Hands & SDMC Vice Presidents:** November 13, 2024

**F. SDCCD Board of Trustees (BOT):** October 10, 2024 ([BOT Home Page](#))

**VII. Old Business:**

**A. Department Chairs Syllabus Check List:** Odasso/Burgert

1. The district distance education guidelines has all the accrediting commission's requirements.
2. Das Odasso will review the draft document with the committee members.

**B. AB 1705:** Tran

As reported by Kim Tran:

"In late September, 2024, the Math chairs Juan Bernal, and Ken Kuniyuki, and Chemistry chair Donna Budzynski, and Paula Gustin attended a Community Colleges Board of Governors Meeting. They were able to address the State Chancellor directly to indicate their concern about the harmful effect of the elimination of prerequisites for Calculus to the STEM majors. There were no immediate actions taken. They were well received by the other governors present. Ken will work with more community colleges to continue pressing this issue."

**VIII. New Business:** None

**IX. Round Table Discussion/Announcements by Membership:** None

**X. Next Academic Affairs Committee Meeting:** October 21, 2024

**XI. Adjournment @ 5:12PM.**

Move to Adjourn:

**M/S**

Romero/Ricketts

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Submitted by Sue Saetia

Approved by the SDMC AS Academic Affairs Committee: October 21, 2024