

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE

Governance Handbook

How Decisions Get Made at San Diego Mesa College



2022-23

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Chapter 1: Introduction

Forward from the President and Shared Governance Leaders

San Diego Mesa College's institutional governance structure encourages the process of independent and critical thinking based on good observation, questioning, and research protocols. This governance process is participatory, meaning that all vested interest groups or individuals have the opportunity to voice opinions. When decisions are formulated based on these inclusive standards, the College benefits from the creativity and brilliance of participating groups.

The Mesa College administration is represented in institutional governance through membership on the Deans' Council, leadership of the schools, and representation on the President's Cabinet and other participatory governance committees.

The faculty are represented in institutional governance through the Academic Senate and its committees, President's Cabinet, school meetings, and other participatory governance committees. The Academic Senate has purview over "academic and professional matters" including curriculum, grading, among other areas as established in the 1988 legislation The Community College Reform Act. In addition, the faculty exercises a voice in academic program, curricula, and faculty personnel through committees such as Student Services Council, Curriculum Review Committee, Academic Affairs Committee, Program Review Committee, and through the faculty hiring process.

The Classified Professionals are represented in institutional governance through the Classified Senate, Classified Professional Learning, President's Cabinet, the Classified Equity Taskforce, Mesa Pathways, Student Equity, HSI, Promise, the Mesa Foundation, school meetings, hiring committees, other participatory governance committees, and through accreditation, institutional effectiveness, resource allocation, outcomes assessment, strategic planning and Mesa Student Services Council.

The Associated Students (AS) is the representative body of the students in the participatory governance process at Mesa College. The Associated Students President and Vice President represent students on the President's Cabinet. Student participation in campus affairs is also strengthened by membership on many college committees. The AS provides students with practical leadership experience in the areas of budget/financial planning, parliamentary procedures, and in the development of programs and services which are designed to meet student needs.

The engaged Mesa College population brings different points of view to the table, which encourages robust discussions. The central focus is on our students and how we can create the conditions that matter for their success. This common goal is what equity, inclusion, diversity and justice looks like in action and is what makes Mesa College a great place to work, teach, and learn.


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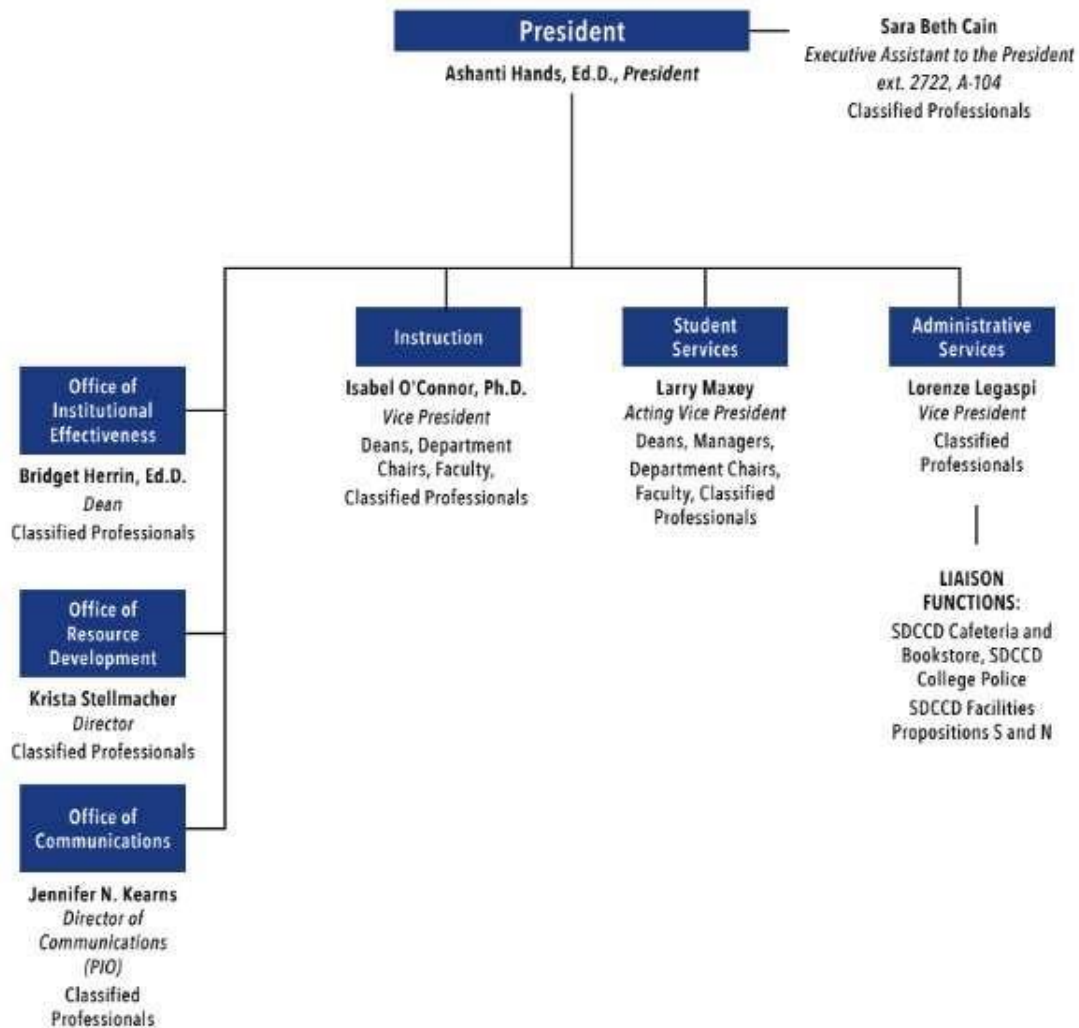




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Organizational Charts

Administrative Organization Chart



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This chapter explains how the components of planning link to one another in a cycle of evaluation, development of goals and objectives, program review, resource allocation, and assessment. The implementation of these planning processes demonstrates institutional effectiveness and the college's cycle of continuous quality improvement. A

college-wide focus on students is maintained and reinforced by ongoing assessment of student access, equity, and success.

Cycle of Integrated Planning

Following is an outline of each component in San Diego Mesa College's processes for Integrated Planning, such as the purpose and timeline.



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Integrated Planning Components

Mission

San Diego Mesa College is a comprehensive community college committed to equity, access, and success. We honor those commitments as a diverse community of faculty, students, professional staff, and administrators who collaborate to foster scholarship, leadership, innovation, and excellence in an inclusive learning environment. By promoting student learning and achievement that leads to degrees and certificates, transfer, workforce training, and lifelong learning, we empower our students to reach their educational goals and shape their future.

Vision: To be the leading college of equity and excellence, educating students to shape the future

Purposes *ACCJC Standard I.A.1. The mission describes the institution's broad educational purposes, its intended student population, the types of degrees and other credentials it offers, and its commitment to student learning and student achievement.*

In compliance with ACCJC Standard I.A.1., 2., 3., 4.

Development/Review Process

- / Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee reviews the mission and current data, such as an equity analysis and projected changes in population demographics and labor market opportunities.
- / Based on the review, the Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee either recommends changes to the mission or affirms the current mission.
- / Academic Senate, Classified Senate, Associated Student Government, and President's Cabinet provide feedback on the Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee's recommendation, including suggested revisions as warranted.
- / Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee reviews suggested edits and prepares a final draft for approval.

Timeline Every five years as a first step in the development of the college's Strategic Plan

Initiated by Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee

Drafted by Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee

Recommended to President and President's Cabinet
Chancellor and Board of Trustees

Links to Other Plans

- / [Master Plan](#)
- / [Strategic Plan](#)
- / [Program Review](#)
- / Resource Allocation ○ [Budget and Allocation Recommendation Committee \(BARC\)](#)

- Faculty Hiring Prioritization Committee (FHPC) ○
- Classified Hiring Prioritization (CHPC)

/ Technology Plan

Master Plan: Mesa2030

Visioning Ten More Years as the Leading College of Equity and Excellence

Purposes *ACCJC Standard I.B.9. Institutional planning addresses short- and long-range needs for educational programs and services and for human, physical, technology, and financial resources.*

- / Chart the college's long-term course toward accomplishing its mission, which describes the college's aspirations for student equity, access, and success
- / Engage constituent groups in a dialogue about the future
- / Identify current and anticipate future challenges and opportunities in the college's instructional and student services programs, site, and facilities
- / Connect educational needs to site and facilities improvements
- / Project the college's growth over the next decade
- / Inform the public of the college's intentions about instructional programs, support services, and facilities improvements

In compliance with California Code of Regulations Title 5 § 51008
ACCJC Standard I.B.9.
ACCJC Eligibility Requirement 19.

Development/Review Process

- / San Diego Mesa College conducts internal and external scans to compare its performance and its existing conditions to its mission.
- / Based on that data and comparison, the college identifies its current strengths and weaknesses and develops college-wide goals that address human, physical, technology, and financial resources.
- / The Academic Senate, Classified Senate, Associated Student Government, and President's Cabinet provide feedback, including suggested revisions as warranted.

Timeline 2020 and every ten years thereafter

Initiated by President's Cabinet

Drafted by Master Planning Task Force appointed by Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee

Recommended to Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee
President and President's Cabinet
Chancellor and Board of Trustees

Links to Other Plans

- / [Strategic Plan](#)
- / [Program Review](#)
- / Resource Allocation
 - o [Budget and Allocation Recommendation Committee \(BARC\)](#)
 - o [Faculty Hiring Prioritization Committee \(FHPC\)](#)
 - o [Classified Hiring Prioritization \(CHPC\)](#)
- / [Technology Plan](#)

Strategic Plan: Roadmap to Mesa2030

The Roadmap to Mesa2030 will prioritize the first five years of the Mesa2030 Master Plan. Included are Strategic Objectives and College wide Progress Measures organized around the 5 goals outlined in the Mesa2030 Comprehensive Master Plan. The Strategic Objectives will be supported by our annual planning and resource allocation processes, including connection to department and unit plans and larger campus efforts.

Purposes

ACCJC Standard I.B.9. Institutional planning addresses short- and long-range needs for educational programs and services and for human, physical, technology, and financial resources.

As the college's short-term plan, the Strategic Plan establishes Strategic Objectives that:

- / Establish the college's priorities for the next five (5) years
- / Describe how the college intends to accomplish the goals identified in Mesa2030
- / Provide a framework for all other short-term plans, such as the Technology Plan, Program Review, grants, and Student Equity Plan
- / Provide criteria for the allocation of human and fiscal resources for both general and categorical funds, such as Strong Workforce and Perkins

In compliance with ACCJC Standard I.B.9.

Development/Review Process

- / The Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee appoints a Strategic Plan Task Force.
- / The Strategic Plan Task Force relies on the current strategic plan and progress reports to draft the next Strategic Plan, which includes measurable outcomes and methods of assessing Mesa2030 Goals and Strategic Objectives.
- / The Strategic Plan Task Force presents draft to the Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee, who adopts the draft and makes a recommendation to President's Cabinet on the final draft.

- / The Academic Senate, Classified Senate, Associated Student Government, and President's Cabinet provide feedback on the Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee's recommendation, including suggested revisions as warranted.
- / Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee presents the final draft of the Strategic Plan to President's Cabinet.

Timeline	Five-year cycle <i>Roadmap to MESA2030: 2021-26</i> <i>Roadmap to MESA2030: 2026-30</i>
Initiated by	Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee
Drafted by	Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee
Recommended to	Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee President and President's Cabinet

Links to Other Plans

- / [Program Review](#)
- / Resource Allocation ○ [Budget and Allocation Recommendation Committee \(BARC\)](#)
 - [Faculty Hiring Prioritization Committee \(FHPC\)](#) ○
 - [Classified Hiring Prioritization \(CHPC\)](#)
- / [Technology Plan](#)

Program Review

At San Diego Mesa College, faculty, staff, and administrators have a responsibility to our students to continuously improve the teaching and learning process based on our mission and values. To that end, program review serves as a process and mechanism to facilitate continuous improvement of teaching and learning at Mesa College. The purpose of program review is to assess the effectiveness and viability of a given institutional unit. Program review provides an opportunity for each institutional unit to collect and analyze data, identify opportunities for improvement, plan ahead, and request resources.

Purposes	<i>ACCJC Standard I.B.9. The institution engages in continuous, broad based, systematic evaluation and planning.</i> <i>The institution integrates program review, planning, and resource allocation into a comprehensive process that leads to accomplishment of its mission and improvement of institutional effectiveness and academic quality.</i>
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Institutional planning addresses short- and long-range needs for educational programs and services and for human, physical, technology, and financial resources.

- / Evaluate the effectiveness of programs and services in supporting student equity, access, and success
- / Analyze department-specific disaggregated outcomes data to identify equity gaps and programmatic areas of concern
- / Develop Action Plans, including the need for fiscal and human resources, to address equity gaps and identified concerns and improve programs and services
- / Link Departments, Programs, and Disciplines Action Plans to the Mesa2030 Goals and Strategic Objectives

In compliance with ACCJC Standards I.B.5., I.B.9., II.B.16., II.B.3., II.C.1.

Development/Review Process

- / Program Review is completed annually. Refer to the Program Review website at <https://www.sdmesa.edu/aboutmesa/institutional-effectiveness/program-review/archives.shtml> for current processes for preparing and reviewing Program Reviews
- / Program review includes the analysis of department-specific assessments, including data on student success and equity, enrollment, Full-Time Equivalent Students [FTES], program outcomes, and external factors, such as labor market projections

Timeline Annually

Initiated by Program Review Steering Committee in consultation with Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee, Faculty Hiring Prioritization Committee, Classified Hiring Prioritization Committee, and the Budget Allocation and Recommendation Committee

Recommended to President and President's Cabinet

Links to Other Plans

- / [Master Plan](#)
- / [Strategic Plan](#)
- / **Resource Allocation** o [Budget and Allocation Recommendation Committee \(BARC\)](#)

- Faculty Hiring Prioritization Committee (FHPC) ○
- Classified Hiring Prioritization (CHPC)

Resource Allocation

The Mesa College Budget and Allocation Recommendation Committee (BARC) is a representative committee to be appointed through the shared governance process by its constituent groups. It is designed to engage on focused work in the development of principles, recommendations and priorities for Mesa College's General Fund Unrestricted Budget. Recommendations will be brought directly to President's Cabinet.

The Classified Hiring Prioritization (CHP) Committee is a function of Institutional Planning at San Diego Mesa College. This purpose of the CHP Committee is to review classified personnel requests made during the Program Review process.

The Faculty Hiring Prioritization (FHP) Committee is a function of Institutional Planning at San Diego Mesa College. This purpose of the FHP Committee is to review the faculty requests made during the Program Review process. Programs can request a new faculty member be hired.

Purposes

ACCJC I.B.9. The institution integrates program review, planning, and resource allocation into a comprehensive process that leads to accomplishment of its mission and improvement of institutional effectiveness and academic quality.

Institutional planning addresses short- and long-range needs for educational programs and services and for human, physical, technology, and financial resources.

- / Directs resources to support/fund the college's priorities expressed in the Mesa2030 Goals, Strategic Objectives, and Program Review Action Plans

In compliance with ACCJC Standard I.B.9.
ACCJC Standard III.D.2.

Development/Review Process

- / Departments, disciplines, and programs identify and prioritize needed resources that promote equitable outcomes for students through Program Review Action Planning.
- / The primary criterion in prioritizing resource requests is alignment with Mesa2030 Goals and Strategic Objectives.
- / Funding priorities are established by committees (e.g. Faculty Hiring Prioritization, Classified Hiring Prioritization, Budget

Allocation Recommendation Committee, etc.) that recommend expenditures from both general and categorical funds.

- / Funding priorities are presented to the Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee and the President's Cabinet.
- / All recommendations are forwarded to the President for final determination.

Timeline Annually

Initiated by

- / Requests are initiated by departments, disciplines, and programs through Program Review
- / Requests are prioritized by committees, such as the Faculty Hiring Prioritization Committee, the Classified Hiring Prioritization Committee, and the Budget Allocation and Recommendation Committee

Recommended to Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee
President and President's Cabinet

Links to Other Plans

- / [Master Plan](#)
- / [Strategic Plan](#)
- / [Program Review](#)

Annual Progress Assessment

Purposes ACCJC Standard I.3.C. The institution uses documented assessment of student learning and evaluation of student achievement to communicate matters of academic quality to appropriate constituencies, including current and prospective students and the public.

- / Inform internal and external communities about the college's progress in achieving Mesa2030 Goals and Strategic Plan Objectives

In compliance with ACCJC Eligibility Requirement I9.
ACCJC Standard I.C.3.

Development/Review Process

- / Strategic Plan establishes College-wide Progress Measures.

- / Office of Institutional Effectiveness prepares dashboards to report status of the College-wide Progress Measures.
- / Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee uses the dashboards to compile a College-wide Progress Report that includes quantitative and/or qualitative data specific to each Mesa2030 Goal.
- / Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee presents the draft *Annual Progress Assessment* to the Academic Senate, Classified Senate, Associated Student Government, and Presidents' Cabinet for feedback.
- / Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee revises the draft as warranted by the feedback and submits the final *Annual Progress Assessment* to the President.
- / *Annual Progress Assessment* is distributed College-wide and Departments, Disciplines, and Programs use the report to inform/revise Program Review Action Plans.

Timeline Annually

Initiated by Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee

Recommended to President and President's Cabinet

Links to Other Plans

- / [Master Plan](#)
- / [Strategic Plan](#)
- / [Program Review](#)

Multi-year Planning Calendar

	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Master Plan	Data collection from program review for Educational Master Plan 2019-2025	Write EMP; set strategic goals	Complete New Master Plan	Mesa2030 Year 1	Mesa2030 Year 2	Mesa2030 Year 3
Strategic Planning	Annual Scorecard Analysis; Evaluation; revisit Mission	Annual Scorecard Analysis	Complete New Strategic Plan	Roadmap Year 1	Roadmap Year 2	Roadmap Year 3
Accreditation	Workgroup activity; Annual Report	Workgroup activity; Annual Report	Mid-cycle/ Annual Report	Annual Report; develop workgroup & timeline	Write ISER	March 2024-ACCJC visit
Program Review	Comprehensive Program Review	Annual Update	Annual Update	Develop New Cycle connected to Mea2030 and Roadmap	NEW CYCLE Year 1	Annual Update
Outcomes Assessment	20% of CLOs Assessed; focus on AUOs	20% of CLOs Assessed; mid-cycle report	20% of CLOs Assessed	20% of CLOs Assessed; Transition to Canvas	NEW CYCLE Year 1	20% of CLOs Assessed
Institutional Learning Outcomes	Mapping and Exit Survey; theme = global consciousness	theme = Information literacy	Revisit ILOs; theme = critical thinking	Integration with Pathways theme = professional and ethical behavior	theme = communication	
Governance	Develop and administer Self-Evaluation Survey	Analyze results & Develop recommendations	Implement recommendations	Assess Implementation Administer Survey for new cycle	Analyze results & Develop recommendations	Implement recommendations
Baccalaureate Pilot	Annual report	Annual report	Annual report	Annual report	Annual report	SB1406; sunset 2026?

Annual Integrated Planning Calendar

The Annual Integrated Planning Calendar includes the annual tasks for major governance and operational groups on campus and is updated by the Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee. For access to the most recent version please visit the [Planning and Institutional Effectiveness website](#).

Chapter 3: Governance

Participatory Governance Defined

At San Diego Mesa College, participatory governance permits all stakeholders (faculty, students, classified professionals, and administration) the opportunity to take part in the decision-making process. This process includes collegial consultation and dialogue resulting in suggestions and recommendations that are strongly considered. It is believed that the diverse expertise and experience of faculty, students, classified professionals, and administration provide essential contributions to the institution's ability to make sound decisions with the best available information. As a large organization, it can take time to make key decisions, and we need deliberate and informed dialogue opportunities to do so.

Participatory governance is not a simple matter of committee consensus, nor does it mean that every constituency gets to participate at every stage. No constituency exercises complete control over the process. It is a much more complex, delicate balance between faculty/classified professionals/student participation in planning and decision-making processes on one hand and administrative accountability on the other. The various stakeholders participate in well-defined parts of the process. The key to genuine, successful participatory governance is authentic communication.

The Benefits of Participatory Governance

- / Expertise and Analytical Skills of Many
- / Understanding of Objectives/Decisions
- / Commitment to Implementation
- / Leadership Opportunities
- / Promotion of Trust and Cooperation
- / Opportunity for Conflict Prevention and Resolution
- / Less Dissent
- / Transparency

Who Is Involved With Participatory Governance?

Faculty, students, classified professionals, and administrators are involved, through their respective senates and councils and through representation on governance committees.

FACULTY

Faculty are involved directly with “academic and professional matters” defined in the **Title 5 California Administrative Code 53200 as follows:**

- / Curriculum - including establishing prerequisites and placing courses within disciplines and assessment of student learning;

- / *Degree and certificate requirements;
- / *Grading policies;
- / *Educational program development;
- / *Standards of policies regarding student preparation and success;
- / District and college governance structures, as related to faculty roles;
- / *Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes, including selfstudy and annual reports;
- / Policies for faculty professional development activities;
- / Processes for program review;
- / *Processes for institutional planning and budget development; and
- / Other academic and professional matters as mutually agreed upon between the Board of Trustees (Board) and the Academic Senate.

For each of these items, the Academic Senate faculty agree to consult collegially. Consult collegially means that the district board shall develop policies on academic and professional matters through either of the following:

- / Rely primarily upon the advice and judgment of the Academic Senate, OR
- / The governing board, or its designees, and the Academic Senate shall reach mutual agreement by written resolution, regulation, or policy of the governing board effectuating such recommendations.

An asterisk (*) indicates that the SDCCD will rely primarily upon the advice and judgment of the Academic Senate, as per BP2510. For those items with no asterisk, the governing board or its designees shall reach mutual agreement.

STUDENTS

Title 5 §51023.7

(a) The governing board of a community college district shall adopt policies and procedures that provide students the opportunity to participate effectively in district and college governance. Among other matters, said policies and procedures shall include the following:

- / Students shall be provided an opportunity to participate in formulation and development of district and college policies and procedures that have or will have a significant effect on students. This right includes the opportunity to participate in processes for jointly developing recommendations to the governing board regarding such policies and procedures.
- / Except in unforeseeable, emergency situations, the governing board shall not take action on a matter having a significant effect on students until it has provided students with an opportunity to participate in the formulation of the policy or procedure or the joint development of recommendations regarding the action.
- / Governing board procedures shall ensure that at the district and college levels, recommendations and positions developed by students are given every reasonable consideration.

- / For the purpose of this Section, the governing board shall recognize each associated student organization or its equivalent within the district as provided by Education Code Section 76060, as the representative body of the students to offer opinions and to make recommendations to the administration of a college and to the governing board of a district with regard to district and college policies and procedures that have or will have a significant effect on students. The selection of student representatives to serve on college or district committees, task forces, or other governance groups shall be made, after consultation with designated parties, by the appropriate officially recognized associated student organization(s) within the district.

(b) For the purposes of this Section, district and college policies and procedures that have or will have a "significant effect on students" includes the following:

- (1) grading policies;
- (2) codes of student conduct;
- (3) academic disciplinary policies;
- (4) curriculum development;
- (5) courses or programs which should be initiated or discontinued;
- (6) processes for institutional planning and budget development;
- (7) standards and policies regarding student preparation and success;
- (8) student services planning and development;
- (9) student fees within the authority of the district to adopt; and
- (10) any other district and college policy, procedure, or related matter that the district governing board determines will have a significant effect on students.

(c) The governing board shall give reasonable consideration to recommendations and positions developed by students regarding district and college policies and procedures pertaining to the hiring and evaluation of faculty, administration, and classified professionals. CLASSIFIED PROFESSIONALS

Classified Professionals includes non-supervisory classified staff, supervisory classified staff, management classified staff, and NANC/part-time employees.

Title 5 §51023.5

(a) The governing board of a community college district shall adopt policies and procedures that provide district and college classified professionals the opportunity to participate effectively in district and college governance. At minimum, these policies and procedures shall include the following:

- / Definitions or categories of positions or groups of positions other than faculty that comprise the classified professionals of the district and its college(s) that, for the purposes of this Section, the governing board is required by law to recognize or chooses to recognize pursuant to legal authority. In addition, for the purposes of this Section, management and non-management positions or groups of positions shall be separately defined or categorized.

- / Participation structures and procedures for the classified professional positions defined or categorized. In performing the requirements of Subsections (a)(1) and (2), the governing board or its designees shall consult with the representatives of existing classified professional councils, committees, employee organizations, and other such bodies. Where no groups or structures for participation exist that provide representation for the purposes of this Section for particular groups of classified professionals, the governing board or its designees, shall broadly inform all classified professionals of the policies and procedures being developed, invite the participation of classified professionals, and provide opportunities for classified professionals to express their views.
- / Classified professionals shall be provided with opportunities to participate in the formulation and development of district and college policies and procedures, and in those processes for jointly developing recommendations for action by the governing board, that the governing board reasonably determines, in consultation with classified professionals, have or will have a significant effect on classified professionals.
- / Except in unforeseeable, emergency situations, the governing board shall not take action on matters significantly affecting classified professionals until it has provided classified professionals an opportunity to participate in the formulation and development of those matters through appropriate structures and procedures as determined by the governing board in accordance with the provisions of this Section.
- / The policies and procedures of the governing board shall ensure that the recommendations and opinions of classified professionals are given every reasonable consideration.
- / The selection of classified professional representatives to serve on college and district task forces, committees, or other governance groups shall, when required by law, be made by those councils, committees, employee organizations, or other classified professional groups that the governing board has officially recognized in its policies and procedures for classified professional participation. In all other instances, the selection shall either be made by, or in consultation with, such classified professional groups. In all cases, representatives shall be selected from the category that they represent.

(b) In developing and carrying out policies and procedures pursuant to Subsection (a), the district governing board shall ensure that its actions do not dominate or interfere with the formation or administration of any employee organization, or contribute financial or other support to it, or in any way encourage employees to join any organization in preference to another. In addition, in order to comply with Government Code Sections 3540, et seq., such procedures for classified professionals' participation shall not intrude on matters within the scope of representation under Section 3543.2 of the Government Code.

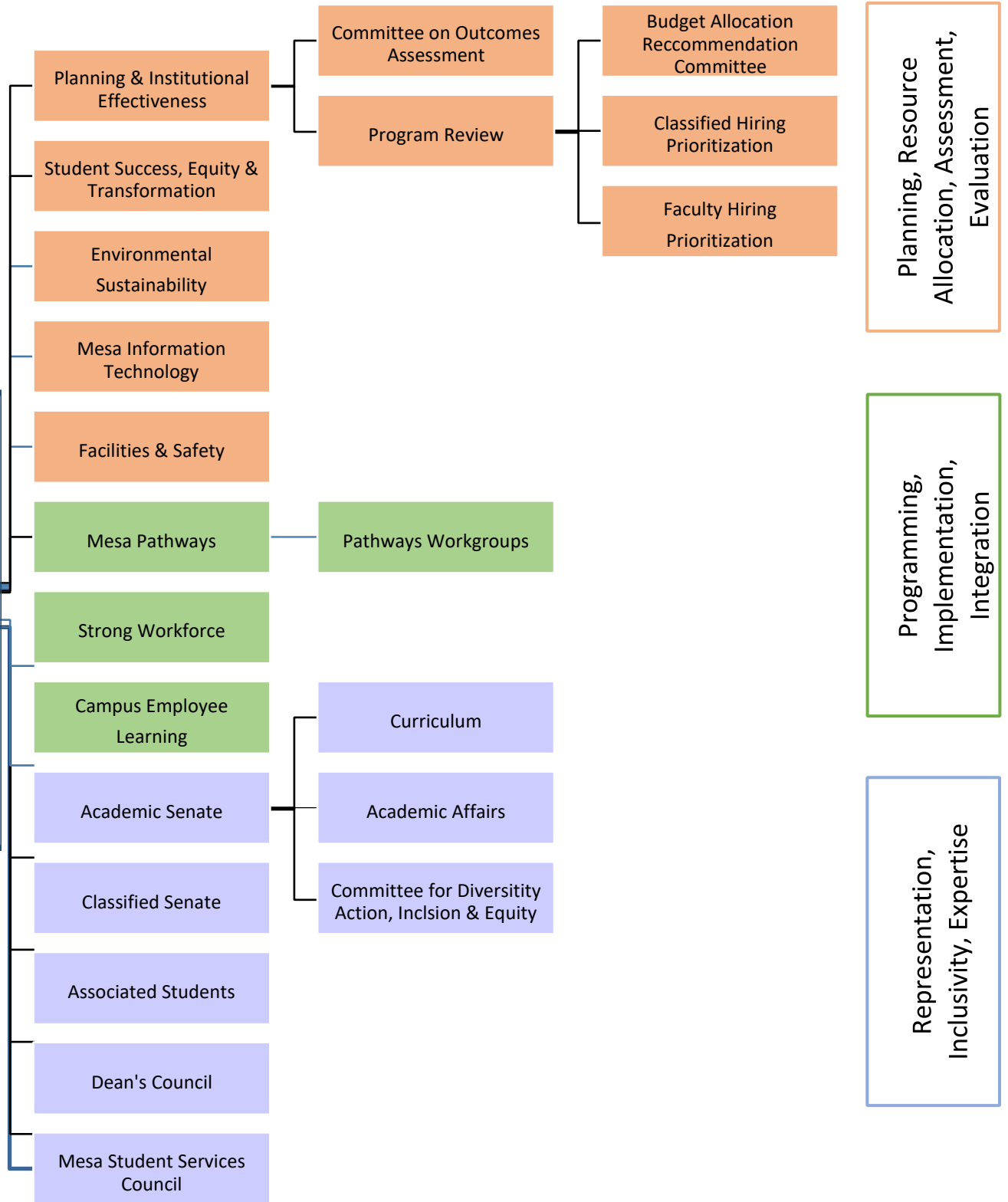
In addition, governing boards shall not interfere with the exercise of employee rights to form, join, and participate in the activities of employee

organizations of their own choosing for the purpose of representation on all matters of employer-employee relations. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to impinge upon or detract from any negotiations or negotiated agreements between exclusive representatives and district governing boards. It is the intent of the Board of Governors to respect lawful agreements between classified professionals and exclusive representatives as to how they will consult, collaborate, share, or delegate among themselves the responsibilities that are or may be delegated to classified professionals pursuant to these regulations.

Mesa Governance Structure

Below is a chart showing the general organization of the governance and operational committees on campus and how they connect to the President's Cabinet. On the right hand side is a brief description of the role and broad contributions the group makes to the overall Governance process.

President's Cabinet



Committee List

The committee list at San Diego Mesa College is updated annually by the Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee in consultation with Committee Chairs through completion of the Governance Handbook Response Survey. For most recent version, please see the list [here](#).

Governance Terms

Committee

A group of persons elected or appointed to perform some service or function, as to investigate, report on, or act upon a particular matter. A committee only has power as assigned by its appointer.

College Governance Committee

A group of persons elected or appointed to perform some service or function, whose recommendations ultimately will be made to the President's Cabinet and President.

Operational Committee

A group of persons elected or appointed to carry into effect the work of the college based on recommendations or ideas that have been approved through the governance process.

Subcommittee

A subdivision of a committee usually organized for a specific purpose.

Task Force

A temporary work group comprised of individuals with specified knowledge for the purpose of accomplishing a definite objective, with the expectation that the group will disband when the objective has been completed.

Task Force objectives are often time sensitive, and as such will need to move expeditiously to complete identified objectives on behalf of the college. The college relies on the Executive Leadership of each constituent group to appoint members to a Task Force to meet their objectives in a timely manner.

Advisory Committee

A committee established for a specific discipline that is comprised of discipline faculty and members in their field of expertise outside the institution.

Steering Committee

The steering committee is a body responsible for guidance, policy and direction within an organization.

Resources & Tools

Committee Membership

Committee Membership is outlined for each Participatory Governance Group as to the number of representatives from each constituent group. Members are appointed by their respective constituent group as follows:

- Faculty (includes Associate Faculty, where specified): Academic Senate
- Students: Student Government Association
- Management: President/Vice Presidents
- Classified (includes Supervisory and Confidential): Classified Senate

Committees may also contain resource and/or non-voting members based on need and can be invited to participate by consensus of the committee.

Committee Templates

All meeting agendas, minutes, notes, and documents should reside on the Committee's website and should remain current throughout the academic year.

Suggested Templates

Agenda:

- / [Template1](#)
- / [Template2](#)
- / [Template3](#)

Minutes:

- / [Template1](#)
- / [Template2](#)
- / [Template3](#)

Webpage Guidelines

All committee/workgroup webpages should contain the following information:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| / Purpose | / Goals |
| / Responsibility and Reporting | / Meeting Dates/Times |
| Lines | / Agendas |
| / Accountability | / Minutes |
| / Relationships | / Documents/Handouts |
| / Membership Composition | / Annual Outcomes |
| / Terms of Membership | |

Suggested Committee Organizational Tasks

ANNUAL COMMITTEE PROCESS



GOVERNANCE 101
[HTTPS://BIT.LY/MESAGOV101](https://bit.ly/mesagov101)

Links to Additional Resources

Academic Senate for California Community Colleges Participating Effectively in District and College Governance <http://www.asccc.org/sites/default/files/FinalGuidelines.pdf>

Faculty Leadership Resources

<http://asccc.org/communities/local-senates/leadership-resources>

The Meeting Process

<http://asccc.org/sites/default/files/meeting%20process%20second.pdf>

Meeting Roles and Responsibilities

<http://asccc.org/sites/default/files/meeting%20roles%20third.pdf>

SDCCD Administrative and Governance Handbook.

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

Exactly What Is 'Shared Governance'? Gary A. Olsen, The Chronicle of Higher

Education 7/23/2009 <https://www.chronicle.com/article/Exactly-What-Is-Shared/47065>

The Role of Research at Mesa College

www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/institutional-effectiveness/institutional-research/

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