



SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE (SDMC)

ACADEMIC SENATE (AS)

April 27, 2026

Room MC 211 A/B

2:20PM – 4:20PM

MEETING MINUTES

DRAFT

Present:

Academic Senate President Mary Gwin, Carlynne Allbee, Thomas "Tommy" Babin, Henry Browne, Jennifer Cost, Nellie Dougherty, Ian Duckles, Justin Estep, Erin Evans, Veronica Gerace, Andrew Hoffman, Alex Holowicki, Geoff Johnson, Dante Jones, Jesse Keller, Mariam Kushkaki, Sam Lee, Jonathan "Jon" Linton, David Lizarraga, Thekima Mayasa, Ryan Mongelluzzo, Danica Moore, Roger "Rusty" Nichols, David "Das" Odasso, Mychal Odom, Miriam Pacheco, Scott Plambek, Anthony Reuss, Michelle Rodriguez, Jessica Sardo, Irena Stojimirovic, Scott Suarez (**Proxy to Evans @ 4:09PM**), Ngoc "Kim" Tran, Richard Unis, Michael Williams and Guests SDMC Vice President of Instruction (VPI) Isabel O'Connor, Professor Tonya Whitfield and SDMC Counseling Faculty Members Gabriel Adona, Marisa Alioto, Kristina Carson, Sasha Davila, Adrienne Aeria Dines, Patricia "Trish" Guevara, Terrence Hale, Anne Hedekin, Andrew Malinis, Guillermo Marrujo, Jordan Nash, Kirsten Pogue-Cely, Patricia Rodriguez, Raul Rodriguez and Diana Soqui

Absent:

Isaac Arguelles-Ibarra (Proxy to Dougherty), Sandra Belew, Katlin Choi (Proxy to Duckles), Jennifer Frost Moreno (Proxy to Kovats), Wendell Kling, Laura Maki, Bruce Naschak (Proxy to Cost), Edeama Onwuchekwa Jonah, Louis Valenzuela, Megan Villa (Excused) and Karen Wait (Proxy to Johnston)

I. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME by President Mary Gwin @ 2:26PM.

A. SDMC Land Acknowledgement:

B. SDMC Restorative Action Plan: Edeama Onwuchekwa Jonah – Not Present to Present the plan today.

II. APPROVAL OF DRAFT AGENDA:

Move to Approve:

M/S

Johnson/Allbee

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Frost Moreno
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Naschak
(Proxy to Cost)
Wait
(Proxy to Johnston)

III. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: None

A. Associated Student Government (ASG): Senator Nicole Rodriguez & Senator Jay Tarvin

B. Classified Professionals: President Ayana Woods & Vice President Alison Mona

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A. SDMC Professor Ian Duckles:

B. SDMC Counselor Gabriel Adona:

V. APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES: April 13, 2026

Move to Approve:

M/S

Gerace/Nichols

36 APPROVE

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3 Abstain

Kling
Moore
Valenzuela

- VI. GUEST:**
- A. SDMC Vice President of Instruction (VPI) Isabel O'Connor:**
1. Campus Climate Survey Results:
 2. CCAP/Dual Enrollment:
 3. Funding for Peer Mentoring and Tutoring:
 4. New Attendance Accounting System:
 5. Retaining Funding for SDMC Baccalaureate Degree Programs:
 6. Role of the Dean of Instructional Services:
 7. Short Term Philosophy on Growing Enrollment:
- VII. REPORTS:**
- A. Committee Reports:**
1. Senate Executive Committees:
 - a. *Academic Affairs (AA) Committee:* Chair Dave "DAS" Odasso
 - Erin Evans (Senator for Behavioral Sciences) will be the Committee Chair in fall 2026.
 - b. *Professional Advancement Committee (PAC):* Chair Andrew Hoffman
 - The SDMC PAC will no longer be part of the SDMC AS.
 - The committee will continue to review Licensure Renewal Reimbursement Applications and Sabbatical Applications.
 - c. *Committee of Chairs (COC):* Chair of Chairs Ian Duckles (No Report)
 - d. *Curriculum Review Committee (CRC):* Faculty Co-Chair Justin Estep
 - The Catalog Review Committee will meet on May 7th.
 - e. *Program Review Steering Committee (PRSC):* Faculty Co-Chair Bruce Naschak (No Report)
 - f. *ASCCC Credit for Prior Learning Liaison:* Tonya Whitfield (No Report)
 - g. *The Committee for Diversity Action, Inclusion & Equity (CDAIE):* Chair Edeama Jonah (DEIA@Mesa) (No Report)
 - h. *Other Committee Reports:*
 - Environmental Sustainability Committee (ESC) Michelle Rodriguez ([REPORT](#))
 2. Senate Executive Officer Reports:
 - a. *Vice President:* Veronica Gerace (1 Minute) ([Faculty Committee Service](#)) ([Committee Service](#)) (No Report)
 - b. *Secretary:* Katlin Choi (No Report)
 - c. *Treasurer:* Thekima Mayasa (No Report)
 - d. Senator at Large #1: Ryan Mongelluzzo (No Report)
 - e. Senator at Large #2: Irena Stojimirovic (No Report)
 - f. *CTE Liaison:* Vacant
 - g. *Immediate Past President:* Andrew Hoffman (No Report)
 - h. *President:* Mary Gwin ([Adopted Resolutions - Spring 2026 ASCCC Plenary Session](#))

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Resolution 2026.4.3 - Advocating for the Establishment of a Districtwide Safety Committee: Plambek (First Reading)

UPDATED April 26, 2026

1. Scott Plambek reported there has been no meaningful progress since the SDMC AS shared Faculty's concerns regarding the fact that the SDCCD and SDMC has NO clear Safety Structure during the introduction of Resolution 2025.11.1 – Vote of No Confidence of the SDMC Vice President of Administrative Services (VPA) in November 2025.
 - a. SDMC Faculty continues to struggle for adequate safety planning.
 - b. SDCCD and SDMC Facilities Services both refuse to take responsibility for making it possible for Faculty to secure their classrooms in the event of a safety threat.

Move to Forward the Item to the May 11, 2026 SDMC AS Meeting as "Old Business":

M/S

Gerace/Moore

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(Proxy to Johnston)
Abstain
Duckles

IX. OLD BUSINESS: Second Readings

A. Resolution 2026.4.1 - Allowing Nuventive to Access Course Learning Outcomes Data in Canvas for the Purpose of Reporting and/or Disaggregation: Duckles

1. Ian Duckles answered questions regarding the resolution.
2. Senator Erin Evans shared her concerns regarding Amazon and Microsoft ownership of "Canvas" and "Nuventive".

Move to Approve:

M/S

Johnson/Hoffman

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(Proxy to Evans @ 4:09PM)
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B. Resolution 2026.4.2 - The Counseling Faculty Role on Campus: Miriam Pacheco & Anthony Reuss on Behalf of SDMC Counseling Dept

1. Miriam Pacheco and Anthony Reuss answered questions regarding the resolution.

Move to Approve with Friendly Amendments by Andrew Hoffman and Thekima Mayasa: Friendly Amendments Accepted by Mover and Seconder.

M/S Stojimirovic/Arguelles – Ibarra (Proxy to Dougherty)

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X. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- A.** Strive to support **all** SDMC Community Members. No one is better than anyone else. The world needs a lot more GRACE & HUMILITY.
B. 2026 SDMC Commencement Ceremony – Friday May 29, 2026 (@ 2:00PM) at Douglas Stadium.
C. The next SDMC Academic Senate meeting is May 11, 2026 (2:20PM – 4:20PM) Room MC 211 A/B.
D. The next Academic Affairs Committee meeting is May 4, 2026 (4:15PM – 5:30PM) in Room A 117.
E. Committee of Chairs (CoC) Meeting is May 13, 2026 (2:30PM – 4:00PM) in **Room BT 206 Computer Lab.**
F. The next Curriculum Review Committee (CRC) meeting is May 7, 2026 @ 2:15PM in Room LRC 435.
G. The next SDMC AS Exec meeting is May 4, 2026 (2:30PM – 4:00PM) Room A 117.

XI. MEETING EXTENSION:

Move to Extend the Meeting Five (5) Additional Minutes :

M/S Moore/Stojimirovic

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XII. ADJOURNMENT @ 4:21PM.

Move to Adjourn:

M/S Hoffman/Moore

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Submitted by Sue Saetia
Approved by the SDMC AS: