



**SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE
 ACADEMIC SENATE**

Virtual Meeting

March 7, 2022

2:20PM – 4:20PM

MINUTES

Present:

Academic Senate President John Crocitti, Gina Abbiate, Carlyne Allbee, Isaac Arguelles-Ibarra, Janna. Braun, Michael Brewer, Henry Browne, Laura Creswell, Nellie Dougherty, Ian Duckles, Rosiangela Escamilla, Howard Eskew, Rob Fremland, Sakeenah Gallardo, Helen Greenbergs, Mary Gwin, Alison Gurganus, Paula Gustin, Jennifer Hernandez, Andrew Hoffman, Geoffery Johnson, Candace Katungi, Jesse Keller, Kim Lacher, Cesar López, Natalie Mapes, Dina Miyoshi, Ryan Mogelluzzo, Pegah Motaleb, Katherine Naimark, Rusty Nichols, Alison Primoza, Waverly Ray, Anthony Reuss, Robert Sanchez, Jessica Sardo, Kristian Secor, Irena Stojimirovic, Judy Sundayo, George Svoboda, Oscar V. Torres, Manuel Vélez, Dwayne Wesley and Guests Marisa Alioto and D. Budzynski

Absent:

Veronica Gerace (Proxy to Sundayo), Janue Johnson (Proxy to Gurganus), Inna Kanevsky and Karen Wait (Proxy to Allen-Hydo)

I. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME by Academic Senate President John Crocitti @ 2:30PM.

Parliamentarian – Manuel Vélez/Speaker Coordinator & Timekeeper – Waverly Ray

II. Approval of Draft Agenda:

Motion to approve with changes from Waverly Ray:

M/S

Duckles/Gwin

28 Approve

V. Gerace

(Proxy to Sundayo)

J. Johnson

(Proxy to Gurganus)

2 Abstain

Katungi

Wait

(Proxy to Allen-Hydo)

III. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

A. Associated Student Government: President Natalia Trinh (No Report)

B. Classified Professionals: President Eva Parrill (No Report)

IV. Public Comments:

A. Kim Lacher – Online Classes:

As reported by Kim Lacher:

“Our senate conversations of DE focus mostly on the negative aspects. I have heard misinformation and generalizations about fully online aka asynchronous courses I don’t think that all students do well online, and I certainly don’t think any faculty should be forced to teach online. But there are also students who thrive online (and who weren’t able to get access to higher education without an online option). There are a lot of populations who really benefit from the flexibility and access of online Ed (students with disabilities, students who are caregivers/parents who work full time) - and this access is important. I’d like to add that without DE, we wouldn’t have been able to teach during the pandemic. I hope going forward we can have open-minded conversations about the effectiveness of multimodal learning and the ways this benefits and provides important access for our students.”

B. Alison Primoza – Environmental Sustainability Committee:

As reported by Alison Primoza:

“There will be a survey coming out from the Environmental Sustainability Committee that would invite all faculty to consider whether their courses contain elements on sustainability or are fully sustainability focused and to encourage them to look for ways to include more sustainability in their courses going forward. I asked senators to please encourage their constituents to fill out the survey when it becomes available.”

V. Approval of Draft Minutes: February 14, 2022

Motion to approve:

M/S

Hoffman/Nichols

34 Approve

V. Gerace
(Proxy to Sundayo)
J. Johnson
(Proxy to Gurganus)

6 Abstain

Arguelles Ibarra
Brown
J. Johnson
(Proxy to Gurganus)
Duckles
Primoza
Wait
(Proxy to Allen-Hydo)

VI. Guest:

A. Dean Brian Weston – Proposed Changes to Distance Education (DE) Terminology: (Presentation: [LINK](#))

Mesa Academic Senate Class Schedule Survey: [LINK](#)

1. We want to align Distance Education course modality across the district.
2. Top Four (4) Course Modalities:
 - a. Face to Face:
 - b. Fully Online:
 - c. Partially Online or Hybrid:
 - d. HyFlex:
 - Approximately 40 HyFlex sections are offered in our district this semester.
 - The decision is based on Student preference.
 - Students can decide whether they want to attend each class session face to face or online.
 - Please contact the Mesa College IT Department if you are interested in teaching in the HyFlex Modality.
 - * You will need a specialized camera that films 360 degrees around the room.
 - Alison Primoza said HyFlex works for department meetings, but it does not work for Languages classes.
 - Paula Gustin said San Diego Mesa College does not have a comprehensive technology plan.
 - * Our classrooms and Faculty offices do not have up to date technology to conduct HyFlex classes.
 - Andrew Hoffman said we do not have the funding necessary to equip our classrooms with the technology necessary to hold HyFlex classes.
 - * Will funding be available to update the technology equipment in San Diego Mesa College classrooms?
 - Dean Brian Weston reported the state of California will require our district to inform our Students about all the equipment they need to have available to them in order to register for a HyFlex class.
3. President John Crocitti asked about notifications to online Students who need to take exams for their online classes on campus.
 - a. Dean Brian Weston reported Student Services is working on a way to flag the requirement.
 - Students need to be notified of the dates that they are required to come to campus.
 - * The dates would be entered in the class schedule for the class.
4. Please send your comments to Dean Brian Weston and Cara Smulevitz.

VII. Reports:

A. Committee Reports

1. Senate Executive Committees:
 - a. Academic Affairs Committee: Chair Oscar V. Torres
As reported by Oscar V. Torres:
"The Academic Affairs committee met on February 28th, 2022. Items discussed included data from our "assessing the need for a testing center on campus" survey. Overall, we had 118 respondents and the committee thanks all faculty who participated. Survey results and data interpretation will be presented at the next Senate meeting. The committee also finalized a resolution to update our Senate constitution and create a Library Advisory committee. Other items of discussion included AP 7170 and the possible implications of this policy and the need for an Elections Committee for the Senate. Topics for our next meeting include the structure of sub-committees under the Senate and their reporting procedures. Our next meeting is on March 14th, 2022 at 4:15 pm."

b. Professional Advancement Committee (PAC): Chair Janna Braun (No Report)

c. Committee of Chairs (COC): Chair of Chairs Paula Gustin
As reported by Paula Gustin:

"The February 23rd discussion centered on planning for fall 2022. Chairs will work with their Deans to determine the best approach for managing enrollment. Chairs seem to agree that planning for fall needed to take into account enrollment losses as oppose to planning for to pre-pandemic levels. Challenges that will be faced are deciding the modality and number of courses to be offered. There was discussion regarding how to schedule to minimize impact on faculty loads since there were many adjuncts that lost their assignments and full timers that lost their overload or had difficulty making load. There is concern on how to protect face to face course offerings with low enrollment. There is frustration regarding a lack of coordination of enrollment management at the District level. Also, there is concern about how the mandate for booster shots will affect enrollment. There is a lot of uncertainty.

There was a report from Jill Moreno Ikari representing the Enrollment and Strategic Management Workgroup stating that the group is applying for a Strategic Enrollment Management program from the State. Alison Primoza brought up the idea of allowing courses to have an environmental designation in the course schedule and language in the course outline if they have curriculum devoted to environmental issues. There is a Chairs Academy being planned on Evaluations that will be held in March 18th 1100AM -12:30PM. (FLEX ID# 11021) Zoom: <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/93861916770> (RSVP Form: <https://forms.gle/BE9JhvuebR2oWCVz5>)

d. Curriculum Review Committee (CRC): Faculty Co-Chair Andrew Hoffman

- Justin Estep is the new CRC Faculty Co-Chair.
- We approved the NAIS course designation for Native American and Indigenous Studies.
- The district wants to change the next Catalog Deadline to September 23rd this year instead of November.
 - * The CRC would only have one fall 2022 meeting to approve catalog changes.
 - * The district believes the change will have a positive impact on enrollment.
 - * It will make it harder for Faculty to respond to industry changes.
 - * Andrew would like to discuss the issue with members of the Academic Senate.
 - * The change would not require any changes to Administrative Procedures or Board Policies.
 - * It only requires approval from the district Curriculum Instructional Council (CIC).
- Helen Greenbergs asked about Common Course Numbering.
 - * Andrew Hoffman reported all California community colleges will have to have the same course numbers across all disciplines. (There may be impact on Academic Freedom. We may have to make our courses the same as every other community college in the state.)

e. Program Review Committee (PRC): Acting Faculty Co-Chair Dina Miyoshi

As reported by Dina Miyoshi

- "Resource allocation committees (i.e., FHP, CHP, and BARC) are just about finished with their recommendations.
- Nuventive has been recommended to the District as Taskstream's replacement for Mesa's Program Review platform."

2. Other Committees:

a. The Committee for Diversity Action, Inclusion & Equity (CDAIE): Chair Judy Sundayo

As reported by Judy Sundayo:

- "CDAIE last met on 3-4-22, with 28 people attending. This month we join the entire campus in celebrating Women's History Month.
- The Women's Studies Subcommittee announced a slate of events in recognition of Women's History Month. Please attend and invite your students.
- The Marketing subcommittee announced the "Choose Love" student designed t-shirts should be received on campus by Friday.
- The Personal/Professional Learning subcommittee met with Laura Gonzalez at Miramar as part of a District-wide collaboration to develop a relationship with the Kumeyaay tribes, in concert with developing a District-wide Land Acknowledgment.
- The APIA subcommittee announced the re-evaluation of FILI 100 Intro to Filipino Studies at Mesa's campus (*currently offered at Miramar*); KAPWA Learning community is taking 9 students to the APIA Conference in Long Beach, April 6-8th. Katlin Choi will present on how APIA Learning communities may

represent 40 different sub-categories of APIA. Later in May, KAPWA students will present on topics of Social Justice at the 2nd Annual KAPWA Learning Community Event..

- The LGBTQIA subcommittee reported there will be a soft opening of the Pride Center this spring, with a grand opening in fall. The committee viewed the architectural rendering for the Center, designed by Robert Wong of the Architecture Dept. Regarding Gender Neutral Restrooms, only one has been identified on Mesa's electronic map at present; others will be input soon.
- There was continued discussion on identifying additional spaces for Lactation Rooms on campus, as well as the consideration of Lactation "Pods," There was also a student-initiated discussion on expanding this initiative to include a Family Resource Center.
- The Organizational subcommittee identified individuals to work with PIE on the DEI AUDIT. This subcommittee is also working on updating the Mesa College Diversity Webpage.
- CDAIE will be sending out a campus announcement on possible subjects open for "Adoption" by students, faculty and staff groups for Cultural Unity Week, April 11-15th, or other upcoming in April or May. These short 1-time events could include just inviting others to your class meeting to discuss a particular topic, view a short film, host a speaker or a panel of individuals on a certain topic, or any combination of the above. Please respond to the e-mail if your class or group is interested.
- CDAIE meets next on **Friday, April 8th, 2022** from 9 am - 11 am. Anyone wanting to attend as a guest may send an e-mail to jsundayo@sdccd.edu for the Zoom link."

b. Mesa Pathways Committee (MPC): Co-Coordinator Howard Eskew

As reported by Howard Eskew:

"The MPC met on 02/23/2022 to discuss the data captured at Spring Convocation and the Spring MPC Retreat and to be formulating the goals and deliverables for the Data Coaches and Student Success Teams.

College of Continuing Education Workgroup (CE):

The workgroup has been creating the content for a webpage that will provide students with information, tools, and support services to make the successful transition from CE to Mesa College. We are looking forward to the workgroup presenting the webpage soon.

Onboarding and Career Exploration Workgroup (OCE):

The OCE workgroup is continuing its work on the Mesa View book, further refinements to the Mesa Journeys tool, and incorporating career exploration elements into both Outreach and CRUISE.

Student Success Teams Project Team (SST):

The SST project team is currently disaggregating all of the data collected from Convocation and the MPC Retreat. Other activities for the team include identifying core data metrics for the pilot and the composition of the pilot team.

Data Coaching Project Team:

The Data Coaching project team is working on disaggregating all of the data collected from Convocation and the MPC Retreat to aid informing the development of a data coaching handbook.

Technology Project Team:

The updating of course pages with program maps by the Communications Office continues.

Also, design work to develop unified visual representations of the Academic and Career Pathways (ACPs) on the Mesa College website continues. We look forward to seeing the end product for these.

Pathways Fellows:

Congratulations to the Pathways Fellows for receiving a second Student Engagement Innovation Grant. The funds will be used to encourage student participation in the SST development, the Student Leadership Summit, research projects, and various events.

The Fellows conducted a Student Leadership Summit with the main focus is to discuss how to improve financial literacy and areas of financial aid that students struggle with. Daisy Mosqueda, Financial Aid Specialist presented a workshop. Student leaders from the Peer Navigators, STEM Peer Navigators and The Stand discussed common questions and concerns that students have.

Under Fellow Lindy Mosque's leadership, the Fellows are coordinating with Financial Aid Director Gilda Maldonado and Campus Digital Communications Specialist Anabel Pulido to post and cross-promote deadlines

and other financial aid information on social media, helping eliminate barriers and creating greater community with relevant posts students are drawn to.

The Fellows are also continuing to curate new Student Stories videos that capture current student and alumni educational journeys here at Mesa College.

Announcements:

- The SOAA has been submitted prior to the March 1st deadline.
Thank you to everyone who shared their valuable input and direction in shaping the College's responses.

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, March 9th from 12:45 - 2:15 pm.

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

c. Other Committee Reports: None

3. Senate Executive Officer Reports:

a. Vice President. Sakeenah Gallardo

- Requests to Fill Faculty Committee Vacancies:
 - * Please include the School/Discipline of Faculty Representation needed and the Days/Dates/Times of Committee Meetings with your request.
- Request to fill Faculty Hiring/Screening Committee Positions:
 - * Please include the School/Discipline of Faculty Representation needed and the Days/Dates/Times of Screenings with your request.

b. Secretary: Waverly Ray (No Report)

c. Treasurer: Mary Gwin (No Report)

d. Senator at Large (1): Alison Gurganus (No Report)

e. Senator at Large (2): Pegah Motaleb (No Report)

f. Immediate Past President: Manuel Vélez

- The next Academic Senate for CA Community Colleges (ASCCC) Area D meeting is March 19th. (Area D. Representative Latonya Parker will send information for the meeting.)
- The Spring 2022 ASCCC Plenary Session is in April ([LINK](#))
- There are 20 [resolutions](#) for consideration during the spring 2022 plenary session.
 - * Please contact Manuel if you want to submit a resolution. Resolutions can be submitted through the Area D meeting.)
- Spring 2022 ASCCC Election:
 - * Manuel Vélez will run for another two-year term for the South Representative position and the ASCCC Vice President position.
- Geoff Johnson reported Adjuncts in the state have reported that they do not have access to Academic Senate representation in community college.
 - * Manuel Vélez reported he would support Adjunct Representation for all levels of Faculty Leadership and the ability to work with the ASCCC.
- Please send your questions to Manuel Vélez.

- i. President: John Crocitti
 - All four (4) Academic Senate Presidents met with Vice Chancellor Susan Topham.
 - PeopleSoft Alerts are only going to the Counseling Department.
 - * DSPS may receive alerts for their Students too. (It is a one way communication and the sender does not receive a response.)
 - Faculty have to provide Add Codes to all Students they add to their class.
 - Students on Wait Lists may not know that they were added to the wait list for a class.
 - All Students need the Add Code to add a class.
 - Pass/No Pass Petition adhere to the class withdrawal deadline. ([LINK](#))
 - Irena Stojimirovic reported her husband teaches at UCSD and UCSD has had discussions about San Mesa College’s Students’ ability to petition for Pass/No Pass until the last day of class.
 - Vice Chancellor Susan Topham recommends that the autonomy of each campus should be preserved.
 - * Each campus determines the size of their own Wait Lists and when to add another class.
 - * Hands-off for what percentage of classes can be online.
 - * Issues should be addressed at Discipline Meetings each semester.
 - * The Articulation Officers were not present for the meeting.
 - * CRC Faculty Co-Chair Andrew Hoffman said Articulation Officers should be part of the conversation.
 - * Judy Sundayo said Pass/No Pass deadlines are always well before the end of the semester. (It is today for spring 2022.)
 - * President John Crocitti reported Students are allowed to petition after today.
 - * Alison Primoza said this allows the Student to game the system. (We want Students to try to do their best. Where is the leadership? I do not want our enrollment to go down because our sister colleges are doing their own thing. We need coherent messaging from all three (3) sister colleges.)
 - * The district wants to respect each college’s independence.
 - * Chair of Chairs Paula Gustin said we need the district to step in when the three (3) sister colleges cannot come to an agreement.
 - * Rob Fremland said Discipline Deans can have the conversation. (Some disciplines work better online than others. The issue of having aligned curriculum affects all three colleges.)

VIII. New Business:

A. Academic Affairs Committee – Campus wide Test Proctoring Center Faculty Survey Data: Torres

- 1. Oscar will report on the data from the Faculty Survey to the Academic Senate.

B. Brown Act/AB 361 Flow Chart: Ray

- 1. The Brown Act/AB 361 document was prepared to help clarify the decisions and constraints about Academic Senate meeting modalities.
 - a. It is informational only.

C. Reconsideration of the State of Emergency Circumstances (AB361): Crocitti

- 1. Continue to hold Academic Senate meetings via Zoom for up to 30 additional days.

Motion to move the item to the March 21st meeting as “Old Business” for discussion and potential vote:

M/S

Nichols/Duckles

39 Approve

V. Gerace
(Proxy to Sundayo)
J. Johnson
(Proxy to Gurganus)

1 Disapprove

Creswell

1 Abstain

Wait
(Proxy to Allen-Hydo)

D. Spring 2022 Academic Senate Elections:

1. The Academic Senate Constitution requires each spring election to take place three weeks before the first April meeting.
2. The former Committee on Elections Chair and the only member of the Election Committee retired.
 - a. We need to fill three Faculty positions on the Committee on Elections before the spring 2022 elections can take place.

Motion to extend the spring 2022 election period 30 days to allow the Committee on Election to recruit three (3) members before the spring 2022 election can take place:

M/S

Vélez/Duckles

39 Approve

V. Gerace
(Proxy to Sundayo)
J. Johnson
(Proxy to Gurganus)

2 Abstain

Mongelluzzo
Wait
(Proxy to Allen-Hydo)

Motion to suspend the rules and vote on the item today:

M/S

Sundayo/Duckles

38 Approve

V. Gerace
(Proxy to Sundayo)
J. Johnson
(Proxy to Gurganus)

3 Abstain

Eskew
Mongelluzzo
Wait
(Proxy to Allen-Hydo)

E. Hold HyFlex Academic Senate Meetings after March 31, 2022: Crocitti

1. President John Crocitti is working with Mesa College Information Technology to see if we have the equipment necessary to hold HyFlex meetings after March 31st.

IX. Old Business:**A. Updated Resolution 2022.2.1 - Condemning Violence Against Journalists in Mexico and Other Countries:**

Braun

1. Janna Braun reported she updated the number of journalists killed to 15 and fixed some of the spacing issues.

Motion to approve:

M/S

Duckles/Braun

40 Approve

V. Gerace
(Proxy to Sundayo)
J. Johnson
(Proxy to Gurganus)

2 Abstain

Mongelluzzo
Wait
(Proxy to Allen-Hydo)

X. ROUND TABLE TOPIC: None**XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A.** The next Academic Senate meeting is March 21, 2022 from 2:20PM – 4:20PM.
- B.** The next Academic Affairs meeting is March 14, 2022 from 4:15PM – 5:30PM.
- C.** The next Committee of Chairs (CoC) meeting is March 23, 2022 from 2:30PM – 4:00PM.
- D.** The next Professional Advancement meeting is March 16, 2022 @ 2:30PM.
- E.** Please donate to the Resiliency Fund to keep the dream of a higher education alive for our Students. ([LINK](#)).
- F.** Please donate to the Stand and help our Students succeed. ([LINK](#)).

XII. ADJOURNMENT @ 4:20PM.

Motion to adjourn:

M/S

G. Johnson/Vélez

UNANIMOUS

Submitted by Sue Saetia:

Approved by the Academic Senate: March 21, 2022