



**SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE  
 ACADEMIC SENATE  
 Virtual Meeting  
 October 19, 2020: 2:20PM – 4:00PM  
 MINUTES**

**Present:**

Academic Senate President Manuel Vélez, Carlyne Allbee, Isaac Arguelles-Ibarra, Janna Braun, Michael Brewer, Henry Browne, John Crocitti, Nellie Dougherty, Rosiangela Escamilla, Howard Eslew, Rob Fremland, Veronica Gerace, Lou Ann Gibson, Helen Greenbergs, Mary Gwin, Alison Gurganus, Bill Hoefler, Andrew Hoffman, Sharon Hughes, Christina Huynh, Holly Jagielinski, Geoffrey Johnson, Janue Johnson, Candace Katungi, Jesse Keller, Gloria Kim, Terry Kohlenberg, Kim Lacher, César López, Dina Miyoshi, Katherine Naimark, Bruce Naschak, Roger "Rusty" Nichols, Alison Primoza, Anthony Reuss, Robert Sanchez, Kristian Secor, Leslie Seiger, Shannon Shi, Irena Stojimirovic, Judy Sundayo, George Svoboda, Oscar V. Torres, Lauren Wade, Karen Wait and **guests** Thekima Mayasa and Alessandra Moctezuma

**Absent:**

Evan Adelson, Kim Lacher (Proxy to R. Rodrigo) and Walter "Duane" Wesley

**I. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME** by Academic Senate President Manuel Vélez @ 2:21 PM.  
Parliamentarian – Veronica Gerace/Speaker Coordinator & Timekeeper – Veronica Gerace

**II. APPROVAL OF DRAFT AGENDA:**

Motion to approve with the addition of Guest Ian Duckles (Guided Majors Work Group) to the agenda by President Manuel Vélez and a change by Janna Braun:

**M/S** Hoffman/Seiger **UNANIMOUS**

**III. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:**

**A. Associated Student Government (ASG) Representative:** Senator Catalina Henríquez

1. ASG Senator Catalina Henríquez introduced herself to the Senators.

**B. Classified Senate Representative:** Vice President Eva Parill

"At our last meeting, Classified Senate did a first read of a resolution condemning sexist and threatening language. We will do a second read and vote at meeting later this week.

The classified equity taskforce also presented at the campus community forum last week about our "Calling in to Action" discussion series.

We have also re-launched our name tag project, to offer a free name tag to any classified professional who would like one. We particularly see the value now, since face masks and other protective gear can make it difficult to recognize each other when we are on campus.

We are also recruiting volunteers for the upcoming stand food distribution events in November."

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**A. Student Katya Azzam:**

1. Katya expressed her support for the Faculty Member at the center of the September 15<sup>th</sup> President's Cabinet incident.

**V. APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES:**

September 21, 2020:

Motion to approve:

**M/S** G. Johnson/Hoffman **3 Abstained**  
 Allbee  
 Greenbergs  
 Kim

October 5, 2020:

Motion to approve:

**M/S** Gibson/Eskew **2 Abstained**  
 Allbee  
 Brown

## VI. GUEST:

### A. Ian Duckles – Guided Majors Work Group:

1. Pathway to Student Success Goals:
  - Design pathways to support Students in meeting their goals.
  - Help Students select a pathway.
  - Support Students on their pathway to completion.
  - Ensure that Students are learning.
  - Facilitate the annual submission of updated work plans and self-assessments.
2. Guided Majors is also referred to as Meta Majors.
3. We are developing a framework for organizing Students based on the major they select that will allow us to direct Students to the resources they need.
4. We will expand on Mesa Journeys. (Mesa Journeys: [LINK](#))

## VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

### A. Senate Executive Committees:

1. Academic Affairs Committee: Chair Oscar V. Torres
  - a. The committee met on October 12<sup>th</sup>.
    - We reported on the most recent Academic Senate and President's Cabinet meetings and provided the meeting links.
    - We discussed news reports by the Mesa Press and San Diego CBS 8 on the September 15, 2020 President's Cabinet meeting.
    - We also reviewed statewide resolutions on the California State Universities (CSU) Ethnic Studies Requirement.
2. Professional Advancement Committee (PAC): Chair Janna Braun
  - a. The 2021-2022 Sabbatical Timeline Information will be posted on the Academic Senate website.
3. Committee of Chairs (COC): Chair of Chairs Terry Kohlenberg
  - a. We met on October 14<sup>th</sup>.
    - Amanda Johnston reported on the impact of Covid 19 on the Physical Therapy Assistants program.
    - Ian Duckles reported on the Mesa Pathways Committee (MPC) Guided Majors Work Group's work.
    - The Chairs support Resolution 2020.10.1 – Condemning Sexist and Misogynistic Inappropriate Language.
  - b. We scheduled the next Joint Chairs and Deans Meeting for October 28<sup>th</sup>.
    - Our agenda will include the new Curriculum Inventory, Enrollment Management and Guided Majors.
4. Curriculum Review Committee (CRC): Faculty Co-Chair Andrew Hoffman
  - a. Catalog Deadline Reminder: November 19, 2020
  - b. Reminder: Distance Education must be approved for Mesa College for all courses on your spring 2021 schedule.
  - c. Program Changes without Narratives and all necessary documents cannot be forwarded to Sacramento.
    - Please contact Chris Kinney if you need assistance preparing your Narrative.
5. Program Review Committee (PRC): Acting Faculty Co-Chair Dina Miyoshi
  - a. Reminder: Program Review is on hiatus during the 2020-2021 academic year.
  - b. We are waiting for authorization to begin recruiting additional Faculty Committee Members.

## B. Other Committees:

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

As reported by Judy Sundayo:

- The next CDAIE meeting will be on Friday, November 6, 2020, from 9 - 11 am, via Zoom.
- The Committee continues to work on Strategies for Racial & Social Justice for Mesa College
- Committee members are supportive of Resolution 20.10,1 Condemning Sexist and Racist Language
- In line with that resolution, the Committee has been explicit in their support of students who might face situations of this type on campus

*Response to October 19<sup>th</sup> Public Comments:*

Therefore, in reference to what was said by the Student guest who spoke earlier about how the root of certain derogatory words actually have positive meanings, I want to underscore that the word "Negus" is *not* the origin and of the N-word, and the name of an ancient Goddess does *not* establish that name as the origin of or the synonym for a misogynistic word. As Chair of CDAIE, I would like to caution us from accepting these pronouncements as facts, without research, and regardless, there is never an excuse for referring to someone with language that is racist, sexist, or misogynistic, regardless of *perceived* etymology.

### 2. Mesa College Guided Pathways Committee: Co-Coordinators Marisa Alioto/Howard Eskew/Toni Parsons

As reported by Marisa Alioto:

MPC/Workgroups Update:

Guided Majors and Mapping Workgroup:

- Maps were due October 15th, and continue to trickle in - thank you to all who have collaborated to get those completed
- Continued work with development and organization of "areas of interest/metamajors" for our programs. Ian Duckles provided additional details in his presentation today.

Pathways Communications Workgroup:

- A few changes have been in the works to the Communications Plan to improve the ways in which we communicate our Pathways work to the greater campus

BSI/PIZZAS:

- Basic Skills Initiative (BSI) has merged with Proactive and Integrated Student and Academic Support Pathways Workgroup (PIZZAS) - new name/mission in process
- Hiring 11 Pathways Fellows, who will work under the direction of our lead fellow Daniela Perez Padilla to really amplify student voices to inform our pathways work

Onboarding and Career Exploration Workgroup:

- Offering Career Development Training to faculty and classified professionals (see dates below)

Continuing Education Workgroup:

- New Workgroup taking shape - Continuing Education.
- Meeting on Friday, October 23rd (update at next meeting)

On the Horizon:

- Mesa Pathways plans to present at the Community Forum and will be working with MPC to create an engaging presentation on November 10, 2020
- Career Development Training: (one took place for faculty on 10/16), Classified Professionals: October 30th and Faculty: November 13th; both from 8am-12pm

### 3. Other Committee Reports:

#### a. CSU Ethnic Studies Requirement Task Force: Chair Cesar Lopez

- Task Force Members:
  - \* Candace Katungi (Black Studies)
  - \* Gloria Kim (History)
  - \* Cesar Lopez (Chicano/Chicana Studies Chair)
  - \* Thekima Mayasa (Black Studies Chair)
  - \* Juliette Parker (Articulation Officer)
  - \* Manuel Velez (Chicano/Chicana Studies)
  - \* Black Studies Student Representative
  - \* Chicano/Chicana Studies Student Representative

#### b. Rosiangela Escamilla and Ranmali Rodrigo expressed interest in serving on the task force.

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Resolution 2020.10.1 – Condemning Sexist and Misogynistic Inappropriate Language:** Katungi  
(1st Reading)

- 1.
2. George Svoboda reported he is voting no because the Faculty Member at the center of the September 15<sup>th</sup> President's Cabinet meeting is currently not able to speak about the incident due to an investigation.

Motion to move the item forward as Old Business on the November 2<sup>nd</sup> agenda:

**M/S** Wade/G. Johnson **1 Opposed**  
Svoboda

**IX. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. AP 5235 – Credit for Prior Learning:** Hoffman (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

1. The changes to the administrative procedure expands the types of previous experiences that our Students can use to earn Credit for Prior Learning.

Motion to move the item forward as Old Business on the November 2<sup>nd</sup> agenda:

**M/S** Hoffman/Seiger **UNANIMOUS**

**B. BP 6980 – Sustainability:** Seiger (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

1. The policy expresses the San Diego Community College District's Board of Trustee's intent to implement a districtwide sustainability program in accordance with applicable state laws, District goals, and District resolutions.

Motion to move the item forward:

**M/S** Primoza/G. Johnson **UNANIMOUS**

**X. Round Table Topic:** Response to September 15<sup>th</sup> President's Cabinet Incident

Motion to move the item to immediately following New Business:

**M/S** Crocitti/G. Johnson **UNANIMOUS**

- A.** Carlyne Allbee expressed dismay that the meeting was not stopped immediately and the Faculty Member at the center of the incident was not asked to leave the meeting.

**B.**

**XI. SENATE EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS:**

**A. President Elect:** John Crocitti (No Report)

**B. Vice President.** Howard Eskew (No Report)

**C. Secretary:** Holly Jagielinski (No Report)

**D. Treasurer:** Mary Gwin (No Report)

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

**F. Senator at Large (2):** Leslie Seiger (No Report)

**G. President:** Manuel Vélez

1. Fall 2020 Academic Senate for California Community College (ASCCC) Plenary Session:
  - a. Please contact Manuel If you would like to attend the online session.

**XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**A.** The next Academic Senate meeting is November 2, 2020 from 2:20PM – 4:00PM.

**B.** The next Academic Affairs meeting is October 26, 2020 from 4:15PM – 5:30PM.

**C.** The next Joint Chairs and Deans meeting is October 28, 2020 from 2:30PM – 4:00PM.

**D.** The next Professional Advancement meeting is October 21, 2020 @ 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](#))

**XIII. MEETING EXTENSION:**

Motion to extend the meeting five (5) additional minutes:

**M/S** Katungi/Seiger **UNANIMOUS**

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT @ 4:05PM.**

Motion to adjourn:

**M/S** Allbee/Gibson **UNANIMOUS**

Submitted by Sue Saetia

Approved by the Academic Senate: November 16, 2020