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San Diego Mesa College (SDMC) Academic Senate (AS) Academic Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes	
October 5th, 2026 Room A117 4:15-5:30pm Committee Members: Chair Erin Evans, Dean Dina Miyoshi, Raul Rodriguez, Sean Ricketts, Ngoc "Kim" Tran, Fred Seldin	

Absent: Sean Ricketts

1. Call to Order and Welcome (Evans)
2. Approval of meeting agenda by acclamation
3. No guest(s)
4. Minutes: September 21st, 2026 approved by acclamation
5. Report Spring 2026 SDMC and SDCCD Meetings (Evans)
 - A. Academic Senate:
 - a. General counsel from district gave 45 minute Brown Act training.
 - b. Relevant items from committee reports:
 - I. CRC: BOT will vote on termination of Fermentation Program at the next board meeting. Upcoming resolution to ASCCC to clarify ethnic studies articulation requirements for Filipino Studies and Kumeyaay studies.
 - II. Program Review: Emphasis on linking goals to 2030 goals. This year is the yearly shorted review.
 - III. ESC: Environmental planetary of ASCCC cancelled. Seeking funding to incentivize leaf designation for courses. ESC may choose a different meeting time in the hopes of expanding membership.
 - IV. Safety committee: September 17th was the first meeting of the campus safety committee. Safety fair October 12th-15th.
 - V. CCERT training with more extensive offerings will be offered over multiple Fridays instead of one long training.
 - VI. President: Concern about BARC composition changes because there is lack of information about mission of committee and other information needed to evaluate those changes.
 - B. President's Cabinet:
 - a. Next meeting is October 6th. 2nd reading of new BARC composition. It was unknown that this was a formal proposal and feedback on new composition was not requested. There are questions about the new mission of BARC and other matters related to the new composition.
 - C. Senate Executive Committee:
 - a. Resolution will come to next AS meeting for first reading from CRC to ASCCC requesting to clarify/expand ethnic studies articulation requirements to include Filipino Studies and Kumeyaay Studies.

- b. Shortened meeting due to Chancellor's office budget overview presentation.

D. Leadership:

- a. There is interest in offering an ICE training by a community defense group for the safety Fair and ICE training. Erin met with VPAS, Morgan Fay+staff and Mychal Oldom from Black Studies. Followed-up with meeting with Yolanda from the Dreamer Research Center. They are offering Undocu-Ally ally and do not want to participate in organizing an ICE training with community defense group.
 - I. Kim: Mesa campus is vulnerable in parking lots and there is concern that employees and students would not know how to respond.
 - II. Fred: Shared concern about violating district rules.
 - III. ACTION: Raul will speak with Miranda, president of ASG, to ask if students share concern about possible an incident with ICE similar to incident at City College.
ACTION: Erin will speak with representative from Raza Educators Association to inquire about short presentation during Academic Senate.

E. SDCCD Board of Trustees: No report.

6. Old Business

- A. Concern about how [Standing in the Gap: Bridging the AI Digital Divide via Strong Leadership](#) from ACCCA was posted on AAC webpage (Evans)
 - a. Erin emailed Joel Arias to inquire about how this was added to AAC page as an office position. He couldn't find that information but knows it was added in January. It was likely an error. ITEM COMPLETE.
- B. CCAP instructor support (Tran/Evans)
 - a. Kim Report: Provided handouts and reports with data about expansion of CCAP classes. Found the agreement with SDUSD and specific requirements for classroom conditions is not seen in that agreement.
 - b. ACTION Erin will report back to next AS meeting that there is interest in the Senators-at-large be established as liaison for CCAP instructors when there are issues with classrooms/technology and they are not comfortable going to their department.
 - c. ACTION: Erin will ask Gina about where the classroom conditions are established in agreement with SDUSD and that our agreement is not in the CCAP Canvas course.
- C. Concerns about Element451 CRM (Evans)
 - a. Erin discussed with academic senate leadership at City and Miramar and with counseling faculty at Mesa and City.
 - b. ACTION: Erin to attend a counseling department meeting to discuss with counseling faculty as a whole.
 - c. ACTION: Erin to meet with academic senate leadership from all four colleges.

7. New Business

- A. None

8. Roundtable Discussion

- A. Kim: Use of software at UCSD for math courses with AI tools to grade so the common mistakes are grouped. It is called GradeScope.

- a. Erin: Concerns about deskilling and use of student data to train LLMs without their permission.

9. Next AAC Meeting: October 19th 4:15pm A117

10. Adjourned at 5:35p

Minutes taken by erin evans.