



SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE (SDMC)

ACADEMIC SENATE (AS)

November 3, 2025

Room MC 211 A/B

2:20PM – 4:20PM

MEETING AGENDA

DRAFT

- I. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME** by President Mary Gwin:
Parliamentarian – TBD /Timekeeper – TBD/Speaker Coordinator – TBD
- II. APPROVAL OF DRAFT AGENDA:**
- III. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:**
 - A. Associated Student Government (ASG):** Senator Nicole Rodriguez & Senator Jay Tarvin
 - B. Classified Professionals:** President Ayana Woods & Vice President Alison Mona
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** 3 Minutes Maximum for Each Speakers (PTK Report – President David Merino)
- V. APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES:** October 27, 2025
- VI. GUESTS:**
 - A. Celine Ahearn/Darcey Flores/Ayana Woods - Graduation Presentation:** www.sdmesa.edu/graduation
- VII. REPORTS:**
 - A. Committee Reports:** 3:15PM
 1. Senate Executive Committees:
 - a. *Academic Affairs (AA) Committee:* Chair Dave "DAS" Odasso (1 Minute)
 - b. *Professional Advancement Committee (PAC):* Chair Danica Moore(1 Minute)
 - c. *Committee of Chairs (COC):* Chair of Chairs Ian Duckles (1 Minute))
 - d. *Curriculum Review Committee (CRC):* Faculty Co-Chair Justin Estep (2 Minutes))
 - e. *Program Review Steering Committee (PRSC):* Faculty Co-Chair – TBA (No Report)
 - f. *The Committee for Diversity Action, Inclusion & Equity (CDAIE):* Chair Edeama Jonah (5 Minutes (DEIA@Mesa))
 - g. *SDMC AS Task Force on the Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI):* Chair Ryan/Mongelluzzo (1 Minute)
 - h. *Other Committee Reports:* Environmental Sustainability Committee (ESC) Michelle Rodriguez (1 Minute)
 2. Senate Executive Officer Reports:
 - a. *Vice President:* Veronica Gerace (1 Minute) ([Committee Service](#))
 - b. *Secretary:* Katlin Choi (1 Minute))
 - c. *Treasurer:* Thekima Mayasa (1 Minutes)
 - d. Senator at Large #1: Ryan Mongelluzzo (1 Minute)
 - e. Senator at Large #2: Irena Stojimirovic (1 Minute)
 - f. *CTE Liaison:* Vacant
 - g. *Immediate Past President:* Andrew Hoffman (No Report)
 - h. *President:* Mary Gwin (10 Minutes)
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS:** 3:45PM
 - A. Resolution 2025.11.1: Vote of No Confidences – SDMC Vice President of Administrative Services:** Gwin
 - B. Resolution 2025 11.2: Education Plan Codes Needed:** Pacheco/Reuss/SDMC Counseling Department
 - C. Resolution 2025 11.3: Proposed San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate Constitutional Changes:** Duckles
- IX. OLD BUSINESS:**
 - A. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES (AP) & BOARD POLICIES (BP) UPDATES:** Estep (2nd Reading)
- XI. ROUND TABLE TOPIC:** SDMC Administrative Services: Budgets/Unpaid 2024-2025 Requisitions/Unpaid 2024-2025 Travel Reimbursements
- XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**
 - A. UPCOMING Communications Studies Event: "LET'S TALK" (November 13, 2025):** [LINK](#)
 - B. The next American Federation of Teachers (AFT) General Meeting is** Nov. 6, 2025 from 3:00PM - 5:00PM in **SDMC Room MC 211 A/B.**
 - C. The next SDMC Academic Senate meeting is** December 1, 2025 from 2:20PM – 4:20PM in Room MC 211 A/B.
 - D. The next Academic Affairs Committee meeting is** November 17, 2025 from 4:15PM – 5:30PM in Room A 117.
 - E. Committee of Chairs (CoC) Meeting** November 12, 2025 from 2:30PM – 4:00PM in **Room BT 101.**
 - F. The next Curriculum Review Committee (CRC) meeting is** November 20, 2025 @ 2:15PM in Room LRC 435.
 - G. The next SDMC AS Exec meeting is** November 17, 2025 from 2:30PM – 4:00PM in Room A 117.
 - H. The next Professional Advancement Committee meeting is** November 19, 2025 @ 2:30PM in Room A117.
- X. ADJOURNMENT:**



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Present:

Academic Senate President Mary Gwin, Carlynne Allbee, Henry Browne, Katlin Choi, Jennifer Cost, Nellie Dougherty, Ian Duckles, Justin Estep, Erin Evans, Jennifer Frost Moreno, Veronica Gerace, James Hinton, Andrew Hoffman, Alex Holowicki, Geoff Johnson, Dante Jones, Jesse Keller, Wendell Kling, Mariam Kushkaki, Sam Lee, David Lizarraga, Thekima Mayasa, Danica Moore, Roger "Rusty" Nichols, Dave "Das" Odasso, Mychal Odom, Miriam Pacheco, Scott Plambek, Anthony Reuss, Michelle Rodriguez, Jessica Sardo, Scott Suarez, Ngoc "Kim" Tran, Richard Unis, Karen Wait, Michael Williams and Guests SDMC Transfer Center Coordinator Anne Hedekin and ASG Senator Jay Tarvin

Absent:

Isaac Arguelles-Ibarra (Excused), Laura Maki, Ryan Mongelluzzo, Edeama Onwuchekwa Jonah and Louis Valenzuela

I. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME by Immediate Past President Andrew Hoffman @ 2:24PM.

Parliamentarian – TBD /Timekeeper – TBD/Speaker Coordinator – TBD

II. APPROVAL OF DRAFT AGENDA:

Move to Approve:

M/S

Allbee/Sardo

UNANIMOUS

III. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

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

1. The Homecoming Prep Rally was very well attended. (We gave away \$500.00 in prizes and a lot of kids played in the playground we set up for the event.)
2. We are starting work on the upcoming 2025 SDMC ASG Student Thanksgiving Feast.

B. Classified Professionals: President Ayana Woods & Vice President Alison Mona (No Report)

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

V. APPROVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES: October 13, 2025

Move to Approve:

M/S

Moore/Duckles

32 APPROVE

3 Abstain

Evans

Gerace

Johnson

VI.

GUEST(s):

A. Transfer Center Coordinator Anne Hedekin: [PRESENTATION](#)

SDSU SDCCD Guarantee

- 24 units at SDCCD school (not consecutive)
- attend one term in application year follow all application timelines
- must meet all
 - GPA (psychology, kinesiology, computer science and business 3.0)
 - MAJOR PREP
 - GE CERTIFICATION PATTERN
- ADT by spring if ADT pathway major required (WILL BE DENIED IF NOT EARNED)
- all cross enrollment for majors for majors that have prep with no articulation with SDSU
 - ONLY EXCEPTION for engineering majors
- cannot be enrolled in a four year during application year

VII.

REPORTS:

A. Committee Reports:

1. Senate Executive Committees:

- Academic Affairs (AA) Committee:* Chair Dave "DAS" Odasso (No Report)
- Professional Advancement Committee (PAC):* Chair Danica Moore
 - Danica Moore provided a report.
- Committee of Chairs (COC):* Chair of Chairs Ian Duckles
 - Ian Duckles provided a report.
- Curriculum Review Committee (CRC):* Faculty Co-Chair Justin Estep
 - *Justin Estep provided a report.*
- Program Review Steering Committee (PRSC):* Faculty Co-Chair – TBA
- The Committee for Diversity Action, Inclusion & Equity (CDAIE):* Chair Edeama Jonah (DEIA@Mesa)
- SDMC AS Task Force on the Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI):* Chair Ryan/Mongelluzzo (No Report)
- Other Committee Reports:*

- Environmental Sustainability Committee (ESC) Michelle Rodriguez

As reported by Michelle Rodriguez:

* "The ESC held an interim working meeting on 10/17 on campus and via zoom.

* New projects:

- Develop canvas site to support faculty teaching LEAF courses.
- Modify the Campus Events and Reservations Portal to include questions about whether the event will utilize zero-waste and sustainable practices

* District Committee on Sustainability met on 10/24 at district.

- Faculty on the committee requested that district ensure that BOND projects, especially for energy systems and other infrastructure, are analyzed from a standpoint of whether the projects will help our district achieve the Board of Governor Climate Action and Sustainability goals, which were updated in January 2025. One project we are worried about is a new methane-powered "linear generator" which is problematic both from the standpoint that it commits us to many years of increased reliance on methane and from the standpoint that it increases particulate pollution in an area of town that already hosts more than its fair share of polluting facilities.

- Discussed an amendment to the proposed District GE requirements that would add LEAF courses to the multicultural area and also the development of a Certificate of Achievement in LEAF coursework.
- District facilities - they are implementing "trash centralization." There will no longer be support for trash cans in individual offices - saves bags and time. Unfolding over the next couple of months. Reminder that it is important to keep recycling separate from trash. If you have feedback or suggestions, please reach out to ESC.

* Continuing projects:

- Over the next 2 weeks, ESC reps will be attending the meeting about sustainability features of Performing Arts and Administration bond project and the PIE meeting to help incorporate environmental sustainability into planning goals
- Environmental Sustainability Survey - 3 year update- which will be delivered during the spring semester
- Hiring MIP interns so send students our way if you know any that might be interested
- LEAF - Presentation at the ASCCC fall plenary in November and our workshop at Catalyst in January. If you have a course that is close to LEAF, please let me know and we will help with the process."
- *SDMC Safety Committee:* Jessica Sardo
- * Jessica Sardo provided a report.

2. Senate Executive Officer Reports:

a. *Vice President:* Veronica Gerace ([Committee Service](#))

As reported by Veronica Gerace:

"There is a need for faculty from the School of Health Sciences and Public Services to serve on the Tenure Promotion and Review Committee. There is also a need for faculty to serve on the District Technology Committee so the faculty voice is being represented in making decisions about technology issues, such as what software we can use or which plagiarism software the district adopts. If you know of anyone who is willing to serve, please let me know as soon as possible.

I have created a new form that I am asking our faculty serving on our shared governance committees to complete to keep the senate informed. I will compile the information to share with the senate as I receive it. I will be reaching out to faculty periodically for updates."

b. *Secretary:* Katlin Choi (No Report)

c. *Treasurer:* Thekima Mayasa

- Thekima Mayasa provided a report.

d. Senator at Large #1: Ryan Mongelluzzo (No Report)

e. Senator at Large #2: Irena Stojimirovic (Irena introduced herself to the SDMC AS.)

f. *CTE Liaison:* Vacant

g. *Immediate Past President:* Andrew Hoffman (No Report)

h. *President:* Mary Gwin

As reported by Mary Gwin provided a report.

"Mary Gwin reported on the last Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee (PIEC), Budget Allocation and Recommendation Committee (BARC), President's Cabinet (PCAB) and the meeting with the President and the Vice Presidents. PIEC is looking at committee charges. The status of the BARC is unclear. Emergency plans were disclosed at PCAB, but not useful. The meeting with the President and Vice Presidents did not lead to answers to our questions about the budget."

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES (AP) & BOARD POLICIES (BP) UPDATES: Estep (1st Reading) [AP & BP Notes](#)

1. [AP 4025.2, 4100, 4102](#)
(Deactivations) [AP 6100.2, 5140.1, 5140.5, 5500.1, 5500.2, 5120.3, 5120.5, 5120.7, 5120.9, 5300.2](#): [LINK](#)
2. [BP 4100, 4010, 4023, 4025, 4060, 4107, 4050](#): [LINK](#)

Move to Accept the Item as New Business and Move the Item to the November 10th Meeting as Old Business:

M/S

Moore/Choi

UNANIMOUS

IX. OLD BUSINESS: None

XI. ROUND TABLE TOPIC: San Diego Mesa College (SDMC) Administrative Services Issues

A. There is an absence of transparency in the current SDMC Administrative Services processes.

B. Budget Cuts & Reimbursements:

1. San Diego Mesa (SDMC) Budget Allocation and Recommendation Committee (BARC):
 - a. BARC is **not** performing the functions that are currently listed on their SDMC website page. ([LINK](#))
2. Outstanding 2024–2025 invoices will be paid from the 2025-2026 budgets causing funds to **not** be available for conducting 2025-2026 classes. (There are also unannounced cuts to 2025-2026 departmental budgets.)
3. There are Faculty Members who have **not** received reimbursements for 2024-2025 travel.

B. Campus Climate Survey:

1. President Mary Gwin reported she found the survey in her Outlook Junk Email folder.

C. Campus Safety:

1. President Mary Gwin reported San Diego City College and San Diego Miramar College both have emergency response plans in place, but Mesa College does **not** have an emergency response plan in place on October 13, 2025.
 - a. SDMC Administrative Services Safety web page: [LINK](#) (**NO** Emergency Response Plan)
 1. Both San Diego City College and San Diego Miramar College have an emergency response plan and the College of Continuing Education Safety and Facility Committee lists "Maintain a proactive approach to promote campus safety and emergency preparedness" as their second goal.
 - b. Danica Moore said today that Faculty needs to be able to lock classroom/lab doors from the inside when there is the threat of an active shooter or any other intruder on campus. (There are cost effective options available.)
 - c. Jessica Sardo reported today she serves on an SDMC committee formed in response to the tragic 2024 event. The committee has only met twice and an Emergency Response Plan is **not** under development.)

D. Events/Facilities:

1. [Events & Room Reservations](#): There is an absence of flexibility in the current process.
2. [Facilities](#):
 - a. SDMC AS President Mary Gwin reported on October 13, 2025 that SDMC Administration decided that the offices for the Academic Senate, Associated Student Government and Classified Professionals Senate will **not** be included in the new Administration Building, which is a Voters Approved Prop HH Project, **without** consultation with the three (3) Shared/Participatory Government bodies.
 - b. BT 100 AC:
 - A Department Chair reported a months long AC issue in the BT 100 that had been reported multiple times.
 - * The repairs were finally made after it was reported by SDMC AS President Mary Gwin.
 - c. [Learning Resources Center \(LRC\) Building 4th Floor Faculty/Staff Restrooms CLOSURES](#):
 - The LRC 4th floor Faculty/Staff restrooms remains closed even though an **emergency** was declared on July 11, 2025.

E. Guest Speaker Liability Insurance Requirement:

1. A new inability insurance requirement threatened the ability of Faculty to have Guest Speakers on Campus who are able to provide valuable information to their Students.
 - a. The district reverted to the previous liability waiver process after SDMC AS President Mary Gwin reported the issue during a fall 2025 SDCCD Board of Trustees (BoT).

F. Multiple Community Members have reported instances of the current SDMC Vice President of Administration (VPA) failing to respond to multiple communications regarding issues of concern that are under his purview.

XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

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- G.** The next SDMC AS Exec meeting is November 3, 2025 from 2:30PM – 4:00PM in Room A 117.
- H.** The next Professional Advancement Committee meeting is November 5, 2025 @ 2:30PM in Room A117.

X. ADJOURNMENT @ 4:20PM.

Submitted by Katlin Choi & Sue Saetia:



Resolution 2025.11.1: Vote of No Confidence SDMC Vice President of Administrative Services: Gwin

Move:

Second:

Whereas there are no established campus safety plans or emergency response plans readily available to the San Diego Mesa College faculty or staff a year and a half after the suicide of the child of a student on the campus¹;

Whereas there has been a severe lack of collegial consultation with faculty about safety, despite the existence of a safety committee²;

Whereas reported facility repair requests are either unacknowledged or very slow to be fulfilled with no updates to affected faculty or staff³;

¹ 1) For example, our "Emergency Management" webpage is blank except for the phrase "coming soon." See <https://www.sdmesa.edu/college-services/safety/emergency-management/index.shtml>; 2) Here is a safety presentation from Administrative Services presented at the 10/7 President's Cabinet meeting. The presentation begins on slide 7 and ends on 13. None of the slides offer a safety plan, but slide 13 shows a diagram. At the PCAB meeting we were told we were at Phase V. No explanation for what the diagram means was given. See https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the-president/presentation-documents/Admin_Services_and_Safety_Presentation_Pcab_10-7-25.pdf; 3) At the 10/21 President's Cabinet meeting, a second safety presentation was made. This presentation had more detail, but was still unclear. It was revealed that 183 page document had been released to the deans in Teams, but this document proved to be unhelpful. For example, the emergency plans in the document do not work well for classroom buildings and the diagrams are flawed. The training options also do not work well for classroom buildings. See https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the-president/presentation-documents/Campus_Safety_Resources_Events_Operations_Pcab_10-21-25.pdf

² The safety committee has met twice in the last year and a half. The next meeting is scheduled for 10 am on Thursday, 11/13. This is a peak teaching time, so most faculty cannot attend. <https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/committees/safety-committee.shtml#section4>

³ There are too many to recount, but here are three examples. The common theme is that no action is taken until the issue is brought up directly or publicly, even though the issues were reported through proper channels. 1) There was a leak in the Learning Resource Center, for example, on July 11, 2025. There has been a four-month delay in repairs to the bathroom and breakroom areas on the 4th floor due, in part, to product delays. The 3rd floor student study area was damaged because of the leak as well, and damaged furniture was stacked up in the area for two months after the leak. Dirty carpet tiles were also stacked up on a study table and removed three months after the leak. (The carpet tiles were removed after this issue was publicly mentioned.) The faculty/staff currently have been without a breakroom and restroom on the 4th floor, impeding access to a refrigerator and microwave. Faculty and staff have had to go to other buildings because

Whereas Title 5 § 53200 (c) of California Education Code articulates the “academic and professional matters” concerning the recommendations which Academic Senates are entitled to make to their respective administrations, “processes for institutional and budget development” is one of the specific line items listed in this code, and faculty have been excluded from these institutional and budgetary processes⁴;

of the lines and conditions in the remaining restrooms. 2) An ant infestation and malfunctioning air conditioning were reported repeatedly to facilities, but no action was taken until the Academic Senate President, Mary Gwin, reported the issue directly to Lorenze Legaspi, the Vice President of Administrative Services on 9/24/25. 3) The facade to the elevator on the 3rd floor of the SB Building shattered in mid-2019. This was fixed sometime during the weekend of 11/1/2025 after more than six years.

⁴ 1) Mesa specific budget information is not made available to the campus by the Vice President of Administrative Services. Only the general adopted budget has been presented to President’s Cabinet in the last three years; 2) The Budget Allocation and Recommendation Committee (BARC) is the committee that is offered as evidence for meeting the ACCJC standard III.D.2, “The institution’s mission and goals are the foundation for financial planning, and financial planning is integrated with and supports all institutional planning. The institution has policies and procedures to ensure sound financial practices and financial stability. Appropriate financial information is disseminated throughout the institution in a timely manner.” p. 246 of the 2023 San Diego Mesa College Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER). The report states that “The College shares timely information with the campus community through the Budget Allocation and Recommendation Committee, the Budget Committee of the College. Budget information is shared through this participatory governance committee with representatives from constituencies across campus.” p. 247. The description of the committee is that it is “... is designed to engage on (sic) focused work in the development of principles, recommendations, and priorities for the College’s General Fund Unrestricted Budget. Recommendations are brought directly to President’s Cabinet. The committee’s goals are:

- To develop a General Fund Unrestricted “operating budget” that carries out the Mission of the College as delineated in the College Educational Plan
- Develop and direct the process for long and short-term strategic planning
- Review and assess the impact of budget reductions/increases
- Justify the level of any additional funding in program allocations required to provide an appropriate schedule of classes and level of service
- Justify the level of any reduction in funding in program allocations
- Keep represented constituents apprised of the budget development process and solicit input as needed.” p. 247 See <https://www.sdmesa.edu/accreditation/accreditation-2023/ISERSDMesa08012023FinalV2.pdf> and the 2017 ISER pp. 380-395, 440 <https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/accreditation/accreditation-reports/documents/SDMC%20ISER%202017%20ACCRED%20NO%20APPENDIX.pdf>.

This committee does none of these things, does not meet regularly, does not always include faculty, and does not keep regular, accurate minutes. Furthermore, after asking the Vice President of Administrative Services, Lorenze Legaspi, about BARC’s development of a General Fund Unrestricted “operating budget”, review and assessment of impacts of budget reductions, the lack of justification for the reductions in programs allocations across campus, and the lack of information on campus budget development processes on 10/15/25, the Vice President of Administrative Services first advised the Academic Senate President that he had no knowledge of the BARC goals listed above, but then in the same conversation explained that BARC does not do these things anymore and that he was going to remove the goals from the website. It is not clear whether faculty was involved in this decision because minutes from the 10/7/25 meeting where the Vice President claims this decision was made are not posted as of 11/4/25.

Whereas after repeated requests the Vice President of Administrative Services, Lorenze Legaspi, refuses to reveal an operating budget for the campus or a General Fund Unrestricted operating budget and fails to offer explanations as to why the General Fund Unrestricted budgets across campus have been cut and why speakers, vendors, and subscriptions from the 2024-2025 academic year have not been paid or were paid after being put into delinquent status⁵;

Whereas campus safety, facilities, and budgets and budgetary processes are within the domain of the Office of Administrative Services on the San Diego Mesa College campus, the Office of Administrative Services is headed by the Vice President of Administrative Services, Lorenze Legaspi, and the actions or inactions of this office represent mismanagement, lack of consultation, and lack of transparency such that the continuance with the status quo produces more harm to the institution and ultimately, to students;

Be it resolved that the San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate declare a vote of “no confidence” in the Vice President of Administrative Services, Lorenze Legaspi;

Be it further resolved that the San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate urge President Ashanti Hands to engage in better management of emergency procedures, engage in collegial consultation with the Senate, and to work toward more transparency of policies, procedures, processes, and budgets across campus.

⁵ Here are some examples, though, there are many more. The Constance Carroll Humanities Institute budget was inexplicably cut and then inexplicably restored after a series of emails with Vice President of Administrative Services about BARC and why there is no general fund unrestricted operating budget. Speakers for the Humanities Institute and other programs were either not paid or were paid only after several months. For example, 4Imprint, Free Form Clay, and Blick Art Supply are vendors who were so past due that they withheld business until our accounts were brought up to date. The membership with CA-Law that allows our affiliation for the Pathways to Law School program was paid after being several months delinquent. No explanations for why these issues and others occurred have been clear.



Resolution 2025.11.2: Education Plan Codes Needed: Pacheco/Reuss/SDMC Counseling Department

Move:

Second:

Whereas, San Diego Mesa College has committed to supporting student equity and excellence, registration for the Fall semester starts in April of the current year, with the application opening up in late February, and the necessity for students to follow an education plan that reflects their goal from the beginning of their enrollment

Whereas, San Diego Community College District places all new incoming students into an Associate Degree for Transfer, if the discipline has that pathway, and under the Cal-GETC GE pattern automatically upon application, which could be incorrect for the student's actual goal, and cannot be changed until the education plans are built which is late September and fall enrollment starts before that is finalized

Whereas, San Diego Mesa College offers nearly 200 Associate/Certificate Degrees, and students have catalog rights to past/active degrees and/or updated/new degrees, not having updated education plan codes makes students unaware of curriculum updates and/or changes made in each year's Spring catalog update

Whereas, San Diego Mesa College has a current Fall 2025 enrollment of 21,711 students, and 23 full time Counseling Faculty, the Counselor to student ratio is 900 to one. The lack of current/accurate education plan codes results in students making repeated Counseling visits (duplication of Counseling services), students enrolling in unnecessary classes and/or units that do not match their academic goals, it potentially delays their transfer pathway and graduation; as well as Financial Aid and Veterans benefits

Whereas, San Diego Community College District Counseling faculty do not receive education plan codes until late September, which is five months after fall registration begins and education plans are inputted without Counselor guidance

Be it Resolved, that the San Diego Mesa College Academic Senate urges the San Diego Community College District Administration to prioritize and to provide the yearly/updated education plan codes to Counseling faculty at the time that Fall registration begins (late April). This timely delivery of faculty-needed resources will impact students positively, and/or their pathway to a successful education; it will help achieve matriculation, transfer success, degree-completion and overall successful outcomes for the college.

Presented to the SDMC AS: November 10, 2025

Approved by the SDMC AS: