

Santa Monica College Academic Senate Decolonizing the Academy

Meeting Agenda

Date: September 1, 2026

Time: 1 – 2:30pm

Location: HSS 261

Attendees: Kristin Lui-Martinez, Luz Badillo, Gladys Preciado, Rebecca Villarama, Hannah Nelson, Valeria Garcia, Llanet Martin, Jean Paik

I. Call to Order 1:04pm

II. Public Comments

III. Announcements

IV. Approval of Minutes

V. Information Items

VI. Action Items

VII. Discussion Items

- Introductions and committee member updates
- Land acknowledgement revision and video. *Reviewed updated version and discussed language of Gabrielino, Chumash, Kizh, and Tongva. Next step is to revise and polish then take to Senate and Chairs.*
- Monthly emails. *Discussed possible newsletter or monthly tidbit, like Monday Minute, to communicate current and positive changes toward decolonization such as the artifact return project.*
- New ideas

o PD. *Discussed collaboration with EDC and Epicenter for a brown bag on what decolonization and equitable practices might look like in the moment.*

- Looking for a space to house Indigenous Scholars and Oaxacans at SMC. New art building? Library room?
- Long-terms goals:
 - Building relationships with Tongva, Chumash, and UCLA American Indian Studies Center
 - Resting space in old bookstore?

VIII. Adjournment

Next scheduled meeting: October 5, November 3, December 1

