

# Santa Monica College Distance Education Committee

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## Meeting Minutes

**Date & Time:** Tuesday, November 8, 2022

**Location:** [Zoom](#)

**Chairs:** Joelle Adams (Chair), Tammara Whitaker (Vice-Chair)

**Voting Members:** Fariba Bolandhemat, Vanessa Bonilla, Dana Del George, Sandra Hutchinson, Maral Hyeler, Paul Trautwein, Odemaris Valdivia

**Interested Parties:** Diane Arieff, Lourdes Arevalo, Sheila Cordova, Ashley Eutsey, Corinne Haynes, Gary Huff, Sue Lee, Kas Metzler, Christine Miller, Angelina Misaghi, Steven Sedky, Scott Silverman, George Skriabin, Yukiko Tsuboi, Kayli Weatherford

**I. Call to Order:** 12:46 p.m.

**II. Public Comments**

a. None

**III. Approval of Minutes**

a. [Oct 25, 2022](#)

Motion: O. Valdivia

Second: F. Bolandhemat

Approved

**IV. Chairs' Business**

a. Inviting Departments on Campus to Talk with the DE Committee

J. Adams asked the committee if there was interest in inviting departments and/or programs to the DE Committee to educate the committee on how they are accommodating online students. The committee brainstormed a few departments to invite to understand their process and possibly brainstorm on how to better serve online students.

**V. Discussion/Action Items**

a. What Students Want (E. Steinberger)

Erin Steinberger, full-time Business faculty, shared a presentation with her research findings and recommendations on how to pivot and accommodate what students are demanding in education. She shared there is a current faculty-led pilot to accommodate a more flexible learning experience opposed to the current traditional model that research shows will decline over the years.

**VI. Adjournment-** 1:56 p.m.

**Next scheduled meeting:** November 30, 2022, from 12:45 - 2:00 p.m. via Zoom