

## Santa Monica College Academic Senate- Environmental Affairs Committee

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### Meeting Minutes

Date 9/17/26

Time 2-3pm

Location MSB 351

Members present: Ferris Kavar, Hector Gutierrez, Lisa Collins, Hannah Nelson, Victoria Charles

Interested Parties: Yomira Lopez

Zoom: Gillian Grebler, LaTanya Louis, Mahtaub Golab, Svetlana Shigroff

#### I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm.

a. Approval of Agenda

motion F. Kavar

2<sup>nd</sup> H. Nelson

b. Approval of minutes 6/4/26

motion F. Kavar

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#### II. Public Comments

a. Beach clean-up Saturday 9/19, end of Bay St. 9am-noon

b. Sustainability week is the third week of October- looking for more events

c. Spring 2027 So Cal Edison will be paying for a SMC student to work with SMC Sustainability to increase energy efficiency on campus, student will work for 6 months.

### **III. Announcements (none)**

### **IV. Information Items**

- a. L. Collins & V. Charles were invited to be on a panel at the ASCC Just Transitions Conference (Oct, 2026). Funding secured for L. Collins, working on funding for V. Charles.

### **V. Discussion Items**

- a. Committee introduced themselves and welcomed our new administrator, Hector Gutierrez. L. Collins summarized work from 2025-26 and committee agreed to continue working on the goals established in June 2026.
- b. L. Louis discussed the new EU ban on large corporations burning or destroying unsold clothing. Advocates in the US are trying to do this as well. CA has a similar approach- the responsible textile recovery act.
- c. Committee discussed goals and decided to create an inventory of how sustainability is being practiced across campus.

### **VI. Adjournment**

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 3:04pm  
motion H. Gutierrez  
2<sup>nd</sup> V. Charles

Next scheduled meeting: October 1, 2026 ; 2-3pm; MSB 351