

Santa Monica College Distance Education Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date & Time: Tuesday, May 3, 2022

Location: [Zoom](#), Password: 849944

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 Hayes, Gary Huff, Sue Lee, Laura Manson, Kas Metzler, Christine Miller, Angelina Misaghi, Steven Sedky, Scott Silverman, George Skriabin, Yukiko Tsuboi

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

Motion: D. Del George

Second: P. Trautwein

Approved

II. **Public Comments**

None

III. **Announcements**

None

IV. **Approval of Minutes**

a. [April 19, 2022](#)

Motion: D. Del George

Second: O. Valdivia

Approved

V. **Chairs' Business**

a. Consortium/Exchange Update (T. Whitaker)

First phase is underway to become a Home College pending a few steps that need to be completed by IT.

b. Canvas Access Change (T. Whitaker)

Effective fall 2022, faculty will have the option of opening their Canvas shell early (up to two weeks) before the term start via mProfessor. Faculty will still need to remember to publish their course.

c. Modalities Committee Update (J. Adams)

The recommendations for improved professional development, communication, and online schedule presentation are making their way through the Senate process with widespread support.

VI. Discussion/Action Items

a. DE Excellence Award – Criteria, Nominations, and Selections

The committee worked on finalizing the criteria for the award.

Motion to move forward and publicize the DE Excellence Award: D. Del George

Second: F. Bolandhemat

Approved

b. DE Vision Revisions

The committee worked on making the suggested revisions from the Academic Senate and talked about possibly submitting the plan to DPAC.

VII. Adjournment- 1:21 p.m.

Motion: O. Valdivia

Second: V. Bonilla

Next scheduled meeting: May 17, 2022, from 12:45 - 2:00 p.m. via Zoom