

Santa Monica College Online Teaching & Learning Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date & Time: Tuesday, March 10, 12:45-2:00 p.m.

Location: HSS 261 & [Zoom](#)

Chairs: Vanessa Malzone (Chair), Tammara Whitaker (Vice-Chair)

Voting Members: Fariba Bolandhemat, Dana Del George, Collin Ellis, Sandra Hutchinson, Maral Hyeler, Paul Trautwein, and Juan Ramos.

Interested Parties: Willis Barton, Dana Del George, Lynn Dickinson, Ashley Eutsey, Matt Larcin, Laura Manson, Kas Metzler, Christine Miller, Steven Sedky, and Odemaris Valdivia.

I. Call to Order

12:46 p.m.

II. Public Comments

- a. Ming Lu expressed concern about the prevalence of cheating in online courses and emphasized the need for the college to address the issue. He noted the potential ripple effects on other students and on-ground classes, particularly with regard to maintaining enrollment. Other committee members also shared concerns and perspectives related to AI use in online courses.

III. Announcements

- a. None

IV. Approval of Minutes

- a. February 24, 2026
Motion: D. Del George
Second: F. Bolandhemat
Approved

V. Chair's Report

a. Turnitin Clarity Pilot Update

T. Whitaker invited A. Eutsey to share updates regarding the Turnitin Clarity pilot. A feedback and feature update session for pilot users is scheduled for Friday, March 13, 2026, via Zoom.

b. CVC Exchange

T. Whitaker shared that the college plans to go live with the CVC Exchange in Winter 2027. Committee members asked several questions about the CVC Exchange process, and some items will require additional follow-up.

VI. Discussion & Action Items

a. Online Proctoring Expansion Resolution

V. Malzone explained the rationale for drafting a resolution rather than a recommendation in order to garner support from the Academic Senate. She plans to present the topic as an informational item at the next Senate Executive Committee meeting. The committee reviewed the draft resolution and provided suggestions for revisions.

b. Spotting Bots Guidance

The committee reviewed the draft *Spotting Bots Guidance* document and provided suggestions for improvement.

Motion: To approve the *Spotting Bots Guidance* document

Motion: D. Del George

Second: S. Hutchinson

Approved

c. Goals for Spring 2026

The committee discussed pressing issues related to online instruction and explored potential goals for the semester, including highlighting educational technology tools that may help mitigate inappropriate AI use in coursework.

VII. Adjournment 2:00 p.m.

Next scheduled meeting: Tuesday, March 24, 2026, 12:45pm-2:00pm, HSS

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