

Santa Monica College Academic Senate Professional Ethics & Responsibilities Committee

Meeting Minutes

04/01/26

2-3pm

HSS 261

In attendance: Luz Badillo, Ian Colmer (chair), Tiffany Inabu, Lula Livanis, Valerie Narey

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:06pm.

II. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

III. Announcements

There were no announcements.

IV. Approval of Minutes

a. 3/4/26

Motion to approve: Tiffany Inabu

Seconded by: Lula Livanis

Approved: 2:07pm

V. Discussion Items

a. Spring 2026 Academic Freedom Events

Michael DeCesare, a senior program director at the AAUP, presented on academic freedom in the classroom for PD Day to an audience of over 50 people on Zoom. Committee members discussed planning for additional events, including a presentation by Michelle Deutchman, executive director of the UC

National Center for Free Speech and Civic Engagement, and a panel discussion by local faculty leaders and PERC members.

b. PERC's Suggested Updates to BP 4030

The committee revised the previous draft of BP 4030 after discussing feedback from the Executive Committee and Michael DeCesare.

c. Revision of Minimal Version Model Syllabus with Only Required Elements

The committee revised the previous draft of the Minimal Model Syllabus after discussing feedback from the Executive Committee.

d. Discuss Model Syllabus Instructions and Optional Policies

Pushed for time.

VI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Tiffany Inabu

Seconded by: Lula Livanis

Adjourned: 3:00pm

Next scheduled meetings:

- **May 6, 2026**
- **June 3, 2026**