Santa Monica College Student Affairs Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date & Time:	Wednesday, May 28, 2025 – 12pm
Location:	SSC 222
Chairs:	Beatriz Magallon (Chair), Esau Tovar (Vice Chair)
Attendees:	Bea Magallon, Esau Tovar, Nancy Cardenas, Donna Davis-King, Press Nicolov, Sharyn Obsatz, James Thing, Alicia Villalpando, Matti Castiglioni (Student Rep), Zitlaly Vega (Student Rep)
Guests:	Ana Montes De Vegas
Excused/Absent:	Thomas Bui

I. Call to Order: 1:02 PM

II. Public Comments:

Bea thanked everyone for another year of hard work and tireless efforts to update and improve the many AR's the Committee worked on throughout the semester. Student Representatives Zitlaly and Matti spoke about their time in the Committee and graciously accepted their certificates of achievement and gifts from the Committee.

III. Approval of Minutes:

a. N/A

IV. Updates and Old Business:

i. N/A

V. New Business:

- a. AR 5013 & AR 5020 Nonresident Tuition and Exemptions
- i. AR 5013 Residency Determinations for Miliary Personnel and Dependents

The Committee began by reviewing the AR in full, making minor edits and revisions as needed. The Committee revised "uniformed services" to "member of the armed forces". The Committee decided to clarify that Military Withdrawals (MW) do not factor in calculating grade point average (GPA).

Motion to approve AR 5013 Residency Determinations for Military Personnel and Dependents: Esau Tovar moved, Donna Davis seconded, (10) Yes, (0) No, (0) Abstain. Unanimous at 1:49 PM.

ii. AR 5010 Admission Eligibility

Bea stated that although the AR was ready, there was one minor change she needed to run by the Committee. The Committee then changed a minor section of one sentence in the AR from "is capable of benefiting" to "can benefit from". Bea then briefly touched on AR 5015 Residency Determination but primarily as a primer for future sessions.

iii. AR 5020 – Non-Resident Tuition and Exemptions (NEW AR)

Bea proceeded to read the AR in full for the Committee. The Committee briefly discussed formatting questions regarding the AR. The Committee then quickly deliberated on the matter of "self-deporting" and considered a change in language however, the Committee ultimately decided to leave it as is. With time wrapping up, the Committee pushed forward to finish the read and make final edits.

Motion to approve AR 5020 Non-Resident Tuition and Exemptions: Alicia Villalpando moved, Sharyn Obsatz seconded, (10) Yes, (0) No, (0) Abstain. Unanimous at 2:01 PM.

VI. Announcements:

Bea once again thanked the Committee for all their hard work and wished Zitlaly and Matti all the best.

VII. Adjournment: 2:02 PM

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Next scheduled meeting: September 17, 2025

Respectfully Submitted by Jackson Edwards