

Santa Monica College Academic Senate

Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2025

11:15am – 12:35pm

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I. Call to Order/Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve:

M/S: L. Collins/E. Meyer

Approved: 11:21am

II. Public Comments

- a. B. Blaydes is taking recommendation for student commencement speaker. Instructors are asked to encourage students to participate in student government.

III. Announcements

- a. K. Lui-Martinez – The Student Equity Center will have information cards available for students listing their constitutional rights regardless of immigration status.
- b. On March 13th there will be a workshop on Inspiring Social Justice Through Media Engagement.

IV. Approval of Minutes

- a. 2/25/25

Motion to approve w/corrections:

M/S: B. Magallon/L. Hald

Approved: 11:28am

V. Action Items

- a. Curriculum (R. Shaw)
Substantial changes to AQUA 3, PHOTO 30, COSM 64, PHOTO 39.
Motion to approve:
M/S: L. Collin/E. Meyer
Approved: 11:30am
- b. AR 7250 Academic Administration Retreat Rights 2nd Read (V. Arrizon)
No substantial changes from first read.
Motion to approve:
M/S: J. Krug/B. Magallon
Approved: 11:43am

VI. Information Items

- a. Signing Up for Chancellor's Office Listservs (K.Lui-Martinez)
K. Lui-Martinez presented information on why joining the Chancellor's Office listserv is beneficial.

VII. Discussion Items

- a. Guiding Principles for Reductions (V. Arrizon)
V. Arrizon opened discussion on a list of guiding principles that should be accounted for when addressing the current budgeting crisis. Key points are that reductions should be made with minimal direct impact on students, quality of education should be preserved, the need for transparency, open communication, and accountability in reduction decisions, strategic enrolment growth, workforce planning and hiring accountability, minimize layoffs while supporting employees, shared responsibility and equitable impact, and aligning spending with strategic objectives.

The Personnel Policies committee has agreed upon these guidelines and will send them to DPAC for review before moving them forward to Dr. Jeffrey.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn:
M/S: E. Meyer/C. Grant
Adjournment: 12:26pm

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Next scheduled meeting: March 25th