

# Santa Monica College Academic Senate Executive Committee

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## Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2026

11:15AM – 12:35PM

HSS 261

### I. Preliminaries

1. Call to Order/Approval of Agenda  
**Motion to Amend Agenda to Table Information Item A:**  
**M/S: C. DeLoach, L. Collins**  
**Approved: 11:18AM**
2. Approval of 4/21/26 Minutes:  
**Motion to Approve Minutes:**  
**M/S: B. Driscoll/L. Hald.**  
**Approved: 11:27AM**
3. Public Comments  
None

### II. Announcements

1. [EpiCenter](#) (L. Hald, J. Krug)  
L. Hald promoted upcoming events, including [Advanced Allyship](#) on Friday, May 8, 2026, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM; [V. Arrizon's Faculty Forum](#) event on Tuesday, May 12, 2026, 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM; and [Michelle Deutchman's presentation](#) on academic freedom on Thursday, May 21, 2026, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM.  
J. Krug promoted the [Learning Lounge event](#) focused on retirement coming up on Wednesday, May 13.
2. 17th Annual Global Citizenship Symposium; Annual Theme Recommendations (N. Grass)  
N. Grass promoted the 17th Annual Global Citizenship Symposium, coming up on May 7th at 2:15. Eight students will present their projects, which include scientific research, poetry, visual art, and videos.

3. E. Cue promotes the upcoming Service Fair, open to all faculty interested in information about campus groups and committees on campus, as well as learning how they can get involved. The fair will be Thursday, May 14, 2026, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM on Zoom.

### III. Information Items

1. [How to Spot Bots in Your Online Class](#) (V. Malzone)

*Tabled.*

2. [ASCCC Spring Plenary Resolutions](#) (V. Arrizon)

Voting results for spring plenary resolutions have been posted online. Exec discussed select resolutions.

### IV. Discussion Items

1. [Guidance on Course Level AI Policies Draft; Guidance on Data Privacy & Security Draft](#) (G. Huff)

The “Guidance on Course Level AI Policies Draft” provides language for use in syllabi and other guidance on how faculty can communicate to students whether AI use is acceptable, and, if so, how it should be documented. Based on independent research and recommendations from the ASCCC, FACCC, and CCCCCO, the document provides a tiered framework for AI-related policies.

The “Guidance on Data Privacy & Security Draft” helps faculty navigate the fraught and complex terrain of privacy and security issues related to AI use. The core principle is to “treat every AI tool the same way you would treat handing a document to a stranger.”

2. [AR 7120 Recruitment and Selection – draft](#) (V. Arrizon)

Over the last year and a half, the Personnel Policies Committee has researched other colleges’ hiring policies and interviewed SMC faculty that have previously served on the faculty ranking committee. Updates to the AR attempt to logically arrange and clarify the steps of the hiring process, update committee membership, address diversity and equity in the hiring process, increase communication, and move up the timeline. The plan is to also create a handbook going into more detail to accompany the AR.

### V. President’s Report

1. Due to the VIP Welcome Day, the Executive Committee Retreat will be moved to Monday, August 24th at the CMD Campus.

## VI. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn:  
M/S: J. Paik/J. Krug  
Adjourned: 12:32PM

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Next scheduled meeting: May 19<sup>th</sup>

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