

# Santa Monica College Academic Senate

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## Meeting Minutes

September 30, 2025  
11:15 AM – 12:35 PM  
BUS 144

### I. Preliminaries

- a. Call to Order/Approval of Agenda  
**Approved: 11:20 AM**
- b. Approval of Minutes  
**Motion to Approve 9/16/25 Minutes:**  
**M/S: B. Magallon/J. Krug**  
**Approved: 11:23 AM**
- c. Public Comments  
*None*

### II. Announcements

*None*

### III. Information Items

- a. EpiCenter/Professional Development (L. Hald, S. Anderson)
  - i. L. Hald provided more information on upcoming events hosted by Professional Development.
    1. Undocumented Students; Developing Positive Communication Strategies for Difficult Conversations Series: Workshop 2; Faculty Forum: Level Up Your Canvas Shell; Human Resources Open House.
  - ii. S. Anderson provided information on the upcoming Beyond Safe Zone Training at the EpiCenter.

### IV. Discussion Items

- a. Action Items

Recommendation to move forward with Discussion and Action Items rather than 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reads. An Action Item can still be motioned/tabled to a later time if more discussion is desired. Moving to this process allows the Senate to move items along more quickly while still offering the ability to discuss items as the body desires.

b. [Student Equity Plan](#)

- i. [SEAP Funding Distribution](#)
- ii. [2021 - 2024 Expenditure Overview](#)

Using the new methodology, gaps have been revealed that predominately impact our Black and Latinx students. Providing better support to students and faculty along with updating courses to close identified gaps is a priority. Providing specialized professional development, reimagining collaboration across programs and centers, and partnering with HR to equitize hiring and onboarding practices are some of the main ways these gaps will be addressed. Based on the tentative timeline, hoping to meet with the Board of Trustees in Nov/Dec. EPI Reports and Documents can be accessed online on the [Equity, Pathways, and Inclusions website](#).

c. ASCCC Visit

- i. A visit from ASCCC is recommended every 3 years. We haven't received a visit in 8 years, but we have requested one and are now waiting to hear back.

## V. Action Items

a. [Curriculum](#) (R. Shaw)

- i. Substantial changes were made to CS 3 and we now have a new course, FILM 4, History of World Cinema. Cal GetC Workshops will be offered through counseling on [Oct 7<sup>th</sup>](#) and [Oct 14<sup>th</sup>](#). Share with your students! 1 of the 2 workshops will be recorded. Discussion is still ongoing on incorporating IDEAA and providing suggestions using a template.

**Motion to Approve Curriculum:**

**M/S: B. Magallon/L. Hald**

**Approved: 12:23 PM**

b. [AR 5010 Admissions Eligibility](#); [AR 5013 Residency for Military/Dependents](#); [AR 5020 Nonresident Tuition/Exemptions](#); [SAC Scope & Function Revision](#) (B. Magallon)

- i. AR 5010 - Mostly language clean up and inclusion of specificity when it comes to admission requirements for certain programs such as Nursing, Respiratory Care, for example.
- ii. AR 5013 - New regulation split from AR 5015.
- iii. AR 5020 - New regulation outlining that nonresident tuition fees need to be set no later than March 1<sup>st</sup> for the following academic year.
- iv. SAC Scope & Function Revision - California Code of Regulation was added.

**Motion to Approve as Block:**

**M/S: S. Anderson/J. Krug**

**Approved: 12:28 PM**

c. [2025-2026 Academic Senate Goals](#) (V. Arrizon)

- i. Executive Committee has approved the goals. AB 1705 was tabled and will return to Senate after further discussion. Everyone is encouraged to attend the Board Meeting taking place next week on Oct 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Motion to Approve with IDEAA Hyperlink:**

**M/S: B. Driscoll/C. DeLoach**

**(1 Abstention)**

**Time: 12:30 PM**

## **VI. President's Report**

a. Waitlist Workgroup

Group met again and discussed ideas to improve Waitlist enrollment processes. Group will meet again to review the items and then share out once recommendations are made and agreed to.

b. Budget Form Update

Formal request has again been made from Dr. Jefferey.

## **VII. Adjournment**

**Motion to Adjourn:**

**M/S: J. London/K. Lui-Martinez**

**Adjourned: 12:33 PM**

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Next scheduled meeting: Oct 14<sup>th</sup>.