

Santa Monica College Academic Senate

Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2025

11:15am – 12:35pm

BUS 144

I. Preliminaries

1. Call to Order/Approval of Agenda
Approved: 11:18am
2. Approval of Minutes
Motion to Approve 10/25/25 Minutes:
M/S: G. Davison/L. Hald
Approved: 11:19am
3. Public Comments
None

II. Announcements

1. EpiCenter (L. Hald/J. Krug)
 - a) Coffee and Equi-Tea (Hybrid) event takes place on November 20th from 10-11:30am
2. Giving Thanksgiving (T. Beidleman)
 - a) Takes place on November 24th and 25th from 11am – 7pm. The main goals are to provide students with agency, center basic needs offerings, Cal Fresh integration, and raise funds for year-round support.
3. AI Updates (G. Huff)
 - a) Playlab.AI is now freely available to faculty to create chatbots for their courses. Training will be offered in the near future.
 - b) Some Google AI tools are also available (Gemini and Notebook LM). You can log in with your GAPS account. If you don't have one, you can request one from IT.
4. Global Citizenship Logo (D. Broccard)

- a) A new logo has been developed with the help of an SMC student and Marketing.
- 5. December 9th Senate Meeting (V. Arrizon)
Attendance of the December 9th Senate meeting is important as quorum will impact the ability to gain approval on the cloud computing bachelor's program.

III. Action Items

- 1. Curriculum (R. Shaw)
 - a) Substantial changes were made to French 3 and Korean 3. CSIS courses were also updated.
Motion to Approve:
M/S: G. Huff/E. Mangus
Approved: 11:40am
- 2. 2026-2027 Sabbaticals (G. Davison)
 - a) Eight out of ten sabbaticals for Fall 2026 were approved.
Motion to Approve:
M/S: J. London/B. Magallon
Approved: 11:44am

IV. Information Items

- 1. AP 5031 Instructional Materials Draft (R. Cruz)
 - a) Definitions for instructional materials have been incorporated into the draft.
 - b) OER grant applications open Spring 2026 for those who are interested.
 - c) There are plans to provide training for OER creation for faculty who are interested in this type of support.

V. Discussion Items

- 1. Master Plan for Education; Website; Document (J. Beardsley)
 - a) This is SMC's five -year educational blueprint (2025-2030). The document can now be found on the website where it is broken down into six chapters along with an appendix. The appendix contains additional reports and data that were used in the planning process. *Print copies are available in the Senate Office for those who want to view the document in person.*
 - b) Discussion continues at DPAC regarding implementation and will be taken to the BOT on December 2nd. There are plans to integrate MPE recommendations into the strategic plan and annual planning cycles.
- 2. ASCCC Regina Stanback Stroud IDEAA Award (G. Davison)
 - a) Each college or district can nominate one individual or group for the award. Nominations will be taken in the upcoming weeks, and an internal nomination

deadline will be shared once established. The ASCCC deadline to receive nominations is February 8, 2026.

VI. President's Report

1. Enrollment Waitlist
 - a) Information has been taken to Chairs for feedback. In the process of scheduling a meeting with MIS to see what is feasible in terms of implementation.
2. Budget Forum
 - a) Happening next week on Monday November 24th. The deadline to submit questions was November 17th at 5pm. Attendance and collegial participation are encouraged.
3. ASCCC Plenary
 - a) C. DeLoach, L. Hald and V. Arrizon attended Fall Plenary and details of ASCCC Resolutions that passed will be shared once the website is updated.
 - b) Exemplary Award Program
 - i) Two submissions were received. Architecture program was submitted.

VII. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn:

M/S: G. Davison/J. Krug

Adjourned: 12:36pm

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Next scheduled meeting: December 2nd