

Santa Monica College Academic Senate

Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2026

11:15AM – 12:35PM

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I. Preliminaries

1. Call to Order/Approval of Agenda

Motion to Remove Info Item 4 and Approve:

M/S: G. Huff/J. Krug

Approved: 11:20AM

2. Approval of [3/10/26](#) Minutes

Motion to Approve Minutes:

M/S: J. Krug/J. Junius

Approved: 11:22AM

3. Public Comments

- a) Student Equity Center – [Sexual Assault Awareness Month](#) events are taking place this month. (Note: when reporting incidents to the police department, advocate for a report to be made. This ensures that the data is collected, regardless of action taken.)
- b) [Faculty Equity Awards](#) – Nominations are now open until April 26th.
- c) New Faculty Institute is on May 14th.

II. Announcements

1. EpiCenter (L. Hald, J. Krug)
 - a) EGC Presents: Pedagogy & Peers Series; Session #3 is on 4/30 from 1:30PM – 2:30PM
2. [Staff Portrait Project](#) (K. Rodriguez)

- a) The Art Department is taking portraits of staff who have been notified of termination or possible termination to honour them in their upcoming Faculty Show.

III. Information Items

1. [Enrollment Services](#) (E. Tovar, Dean)
 - a) Waitlist Process
 - i) Implementation is happening on April 27th. No more “open seat notifications” and students will receive email confirmations when auto-enrolled.
 - b) Commencement
 - i) There are many ways to get involved! If you plan to attend, please RSVP for regalia rental and/or nominate a graduating student for Program Profile by Tuesday April 21st.
 - ii) Applications for the student speaker are due Friday April 17th.
 - iii) The call for commencement volunteers will go out this week!
2. Guided Pathways Update (K. Lui-Martinez, J. Garcia)
 - a) The Guided Pathways collective was co-created in the Fall of 2025 and is working with AOI Counselors, EGC Instructional Faculty, classified educators from Outreach & Student Services, and have support from EGC Leads and SMC Deans. They are actively working on an equity-centered plan for implementation that supports first-time college students.
3. [Model Syllabus](#) (I. Colmer)
 - a) The Model Syllabus is being updated by PERC to be more equitable and usable. [Email I. Colmer](#) with any feedback you may have.
4. ~~ASCCC AI & Academic Conference (G. Huff)~~
5. ASCCC Spring Plenary Resolution (V. Arrizon)
 - a) Please review the most recent resolution packet and send your feedback to Vicenta as soon as possible. ASCCC Spring Plenary is taking place from April 9-11th.
6. President Search Listening Sessions for Faculty
 - a) 4/7/26 @ 9AM
 - b) 4/8/26 @ 1PM
 - c) Feedback Survey
 - i) Attendance at listening sessions is encouraged. Make sure to fill out the feedback survey.

IV. Action Items

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

a) 3/18/26 Agenda

- i) CCN (Common Course Numbering) changes were made to ANTH courses.

Motion to Approve:

M/S: G. Huff/B. Magallon

Approved: 12:27PM

b) 4/1/26 Agenda

- i) A process is being established for course deactivations and various DANCE and ESL courses are being deactivated due to changes.

Motion to Approve:

M/S: G. Huff/C. Barham

Approved: 12:29PM

- 2. [Fiscal Responsibility Resolution](#) (V. Arrizon)

Motion to Approve:

M/S: L. Hald/J. Junius

Approved: 12:33PM

V. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn:

M/S: R. Cruz/ C. Grant

Adjourned: 12:35PM

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Next scheduled meeting: April 28th