

MINUTES

SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2026

SMC Board Room (Business Building Room 117)
1900 Pico Boulevard
Santa Monica, California

BOARD OF TRUSTEES	REGULAR MEETING
SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT	August 4, 2026

MINUTES

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Monica Community College District was held on Tuesday, August 4, 2026 in the Santa Monica College Board Room (Business Building Room 117), 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica. The meeting was also conducted via Zoom Webinar to allow for remote attendance.

I. ORGANIZATIONAL FUNCTIONS

CALL TO ORDER – 5:08 p.m.

Dr. Sion Roy, Chair - Present
 Dr. Tom Peters, Vice-Chair - Present
 Dr. Luis Barrera Castañón - Present
 Anastasia Foster - Present
 Dr. Nancy Greenstein - Present
 Dr. Margaret Quiñones-Perez - Present
 Rob Rader - Present
 Audrey Liljegren, Student Trustee – Present (for public session)

II. CLOSED SESSION

- PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54957.6): Two Cases
- CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)
 Agency designated representatives: Tre-Shawn Hall-Baker, Vice-President, Human Resources
 Robert Myers, Campus Counsel
 Employee Organizations: SMC Faculty Association
 CSEA Chapter 36
 SMC Police Officers Association
- EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT/DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE (Government Code Section 54957)

III. PUBLIC SESSION –ORGANIZATIONAL FUNCTIONS – 6:11 p.m.

- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Audrey Liljegren, Student Trustee
- LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
 We respectfully recognize that the land on which Santa Monica College currently stands is the ancestral unceded territory of the Tongva, Chumash or Gabrielino peoples. We honor the indigenous caretakers of these lands and their elders, past, present, and future.
- CLOSED SESSION REPORT - None
- REVISIONS/SUPPLEMENTAL STAFF REPORTS: None

IV. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Parvin Pirouzkhah
Scott Allen
Christian Bordial
Jed White
Lois Olde Loohuis
Andraes Kemkes
David Pullman
Javier Quintero
Eric Bowles
Ingrid Walters

VI. ACADEMIC SENATE REPORT

VII. REPORTS FROM DPAC CONSTITUENCIES

- Associated Students
- CSEA
- Faculty Association
- Management Association

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

#1 Approval of Minutes: July 7, 2026 (Regular Meeting)

Academic Affairs

#2 Information: CCAP Course Offerings for 2026-2027

Contracts and Consultants

#3-A Approval of Contracts and Consultants

#3-B Ratification of Contracts and Consultants

Human Resources

#4 MOU with SMC Faculty Association Updating Compensation Structure for Faculty Presidents

#5 Academic Personnel

#6 Classified Personnel – Regular

#7 Classified Personnel – Limited Duration

#8 Adjustment to Non Merit Minimum Wage

#9 Classified Personnel – Non Merit

Facilities and Fiscal

#10 Acceptance of Grants and Budget Augmentation

#11 Budget Transfers

#12 Payroll Warrant Register

#13 Auxiliary Payments and Purchase Orders

#14 Commercial Warrant Register

#15 Reissue Commercial Warrants

#16 Providers for Community and Contract Education

#17 Organizational Memberships

#18 Purchasing

IX. CONSENT AGENDA – PULLED RECOMMENDATIONS

X. MAJOR ITEMS OF BUSINESS

#19 Adoption of Education Protection Account Expenditure Plan

#20 Resolution in Support of a Measure to Establish a Parcel Tax Collected by the
City of Santa Monica for Funding for the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified
School District

#21 Information: Superintendent/President Search Update

XI. BOARD SELF-ASSESSMENT

XII. BOARD COMMENTS

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 6 p.m. (5 p.m. if there is a closed session) in the Santa Monica College Board Room (Business Building Room 117), 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, California. This meeting will be held in-person and via Zoom Webinar to allow for remote attendance.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**Budget Update**

- The District is continuing to refine its budget assumptions as state budget trailer bills are still being developed and additional guidance from the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office has not yet been issued for several programs. The adopted budget will be presented in September and will include finalized 2025-2026 closing data and the proposed 2026-2027 budget.
- SMC will receive significantly less funding benefit from COLA and enrollment growth under the Student-Centered Funding Formula (SCFF).
 - Under the SCFF, COLA is applied to the formula's individual funding metrics rather than to the district's prior-year funding base.
 - Growth funding is no longer distributed uniformly across districts. Instead, growth allocations are determined through a Chancellor's Office formula based on district demographic and socioeconomic factors, including educational attainment, unemployment, poverty levels, and Pell Grant participation.
- The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC), the College's accrediting body, placed the District on Enhanced Fiscal Monitoring, citing four concerns: an unresolved structural deficit, underfunded OPEB liabilities, a 34% decline in cash balances, and multiple open collective bargaining agreements. The District is preparing a formal response to ACCJC and plans to communicate both the concerns and planned corrective actions to the campus community.
- The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office has invited SMC to participate in its Fiscal Health Resiliency Monitoring Program to support long-term fiscal stability. The review is intended to provide technical assistance, assess fiscal and enrollment trends, and support long-term fiscal stability rather than serve as a punitive action.

Link to: [Budget Update Presentation](#)

Enrollment Update as of August 4, 2026

Summer 2026

- Headcount: -0.78 percent
- Credit FTES: +5.00 percent
- Non-resident FTES: -10.44 percent

Fall 2026

- Headcount: -0.07 percent
- Credit FTES: +2.42 percent
- Non-resident FTES: -8.01 percent

Other highlights included:

- International (F1 Visa) Student Challenges
- Recruitment
- Fall 2026 Fall Enrollment Call Campaign
- Fall 2026 Marketing

Link to: [Enrollment Update](#)

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VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

Any recommendation pulled from the Consent Agenda will be held and discussed in Section IX, Consent Agenda – Pulled Recommendations

RECOMMENDATION:

The Board of Trustees take the action requested on Consent Agenda Recommendations No. 1-18.

Recommendations pulled for separate action and discussed in
Section VIII, Consent Agenda – Pulled Recommendations: None

MOTION MADE BY: Rob Rader
SECONDED BY: Tom Peters
STUDENT ADVISORY: Aye
AYES: 7
NOES: 0

IX. CONSENT AGENDA – PULLED RECOMMENDATIONS

None

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of the following meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Board of Trustees:

[July 7, 2026 \(Regular Meeting\)](#)

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CONSENT AGENDA: ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

INFORMATION ITEM NO. 2 COLLEGE AND CAREER ACCESS PATHWAYS (CCAP) DUAL ENROLLMENT PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS WITH BEVERLY HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW WEST CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL, PALISADES CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL AND SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT– COURSE OFFERINGS FOR 2026-2027

Requested by: Maral Hyeler, Director Instructional Services

Approved by: Jason Beardsley, Vice-President, Academic Affairs

The CCAP course offerings at Beverly Hills School District, New West Charter High School, Palisades Charter High School and Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District are presented for information. The College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) Dual Enrollment Partnership Agreement was originally approved by the Board of Trustees in Fall 2016, 2019, and 2025.

Comment: The course offerings for 2026-2027 are provided for information.
See [Appendix A](#)

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CONSENT AGENDA: CONTRACTS AND CONSULTANTS

RECOMMENDATION NO. 3 CONTRACTS AND CONSULTANTS

3-A APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS AND CONSULTANTS

The following contracts are greater than the amount specified in Public Contract Code Section 20651 and are presented to the Board of Trustees for approval.

Provider/Contract		Term/Amount	Service	Funding Source
1	Instructure/ Parchment	October 4, 2026 – October 3, 2029 Not to exceed: \$189,000 (\$63,000 per year)	The Santa Monica College Admissions and Records Office who processes outgoing transcript orders through Parchment (owned by Instructure). This platform allows Admissions to fulfill transcripts generally within a few hours upon receipt of an order for electronic or mailed transcripts. Under California law, students receive the first two transcripts free of charge—fully subsidized by the District. Students pay the full cost of the transcript for subsequent orders, and for any special handling fees such as mailing within the United States, to international locations, or shipping by FedEx.	General Unrestricted Fund; Admissions & Records and User Fees
Requested by: Esau Tovar, Dean, Enrollment Services				
Approved by: Tania Acosta, Vice President, Student Success				

3-B RATIFICATION OF CONTRACTS AND CONSULTANTS

The following contracts are less than the amount specified in Public Contract Code Section 20651, have been entered into by the Superintendent/President and are presented to the Board of Trustees for ratification.

Authorization: Board Policy Section 6340, Bids and Contracts

Approved by Board of Trustees: 9/8/2008; revised 12/4/2018

Reference Education Code Sections 71028, 81641 et seq, 81655, 81656; Public Contract Code Sections 201650 et seq, and 10115

Provider/Contract		Term/Amount	Service	Funding Source
1	Empathia	2025-2026 Not to exceed \$20,000 2026-2027 Not to exceed \$20,000	Provide support and guidance to staff for reduction in force (RIF).	Unrestricted General Fund Human Resources
Submitted by: Karen Monzon, Director, Human Resources, Operations				
Approved by: Tre'Shawn Hall-Baker, Vice-President, Human Resources				

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Provider/Contract	Term/Amount	Service	Revenue
2 County of Los Angeles	August 1, 2026 – August 31, 2027	Authorize the Superintendent/ President to enter into a contract with the Los Angeles County Probation Department to establish a new barbering program, taught by Santa Monica College, at the Barry J. Nidorf Secure Youth Treatment Facility (SYTF) in Sylmar beginning Fall 2026. The program will be the first barbering program offered at a juvenile hall facility in California and will provide incarcerated youth access to SMC's barbering curriculum and a pathway toward professional licensure. Research on college-in-prison programs has consistently demonstrated that access to postsecondary education can reduce recidivism. This program is designed to provide participating youth with a credentialed trade, practical workforce skills, and a viable career pathway upon release.	No cost to the District.
<i>Requested by: Steven Sedky, Interim Associate Dean, Career Technical Education</i> <i>Approved by: Jason Beardsley, Vice President, Academic Affairs</i>			

➤ **AMENDMENT TO PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AGREEMENT**

Provider/Contract	Term/Amount	Service	Revenue
3 QLess Inc.	\$35,174 (Increased contract amount by \$174 over the \$35,000 previously approved by the Board in June 2026) Term: Year 1: September 1, 2026 – August 31, 2027 Annual license fee, maintenance, and support.	QLess allows the college to manage virtual lines at select student services areas such as Admissions, Financial Aid, and Counseling.	Restricted General Fund/Student Equity and Achievement Program
<i>Submitted by: Esau Tovar, Dean, Enrollment Services</i> <i>Approved by: Tania Acosta, Vice-President, Student Success</i>			

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CONSENT AGENDA: HUMAN RESOURCES

**RECOMMENDATION NO. 4 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH SMC FACULTY ASSOCIATION
UPDATING COMPENSATION STRUCTURE FOR FACULTY PRESIDENTS**

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Approved by: Tre'Shawn Hall-Baker, Vice-President, Human Resources

As part of ongoing negotiations with the Faculty Association, the parties are attempting to address issues raised by CalSTRS concerning creditable compensation. The parties have reached agreement on an MOU to revise language regarding compensation for faculty presidents. This revision has no added cost to the District.

Link to: [Memorandum of Understanding](#)

RECOMMENDATION NO. 5 ACADEMIC PERSONNEL

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Reviewed by: Karen Monzón, Director of Human Resources Operations

Approved by: Tre'Shawn Hall-Baker, Vice-President, Human Resources

AMENDMENT TO SABBATICALS, 2026-2027

Fall 2026

Kevin Menton, English

Comment: Kevin Menton was a late addition to the sabbatical list for 2025-2026 academic year due to the retirement of Vicki Rothman who was approved for a sabbatical in 2025-2026. Kevin Menton was on leave for the entire 2026 spring semester and was granted to have his sabbatical moved from Spring 2026 to Fall 2026.

ESTABLISH

Project Manager, Baccalaureate Degree Programs

ELECTION

ADJUNCT FACULTY

Approval/ratification of the hiring of adjunct faculty (List on file in the Office of Human Resources).

Adjunct/Part-time faculty are hired as temporary employees and do not have reasonable assurance of employment.

SEPARATIONS

RETIREMENT

Magallon, Beatriz, Full-time Faculty, Counseling (28 years of service)

07/31/2026

Williams, Eric, Full-time Faculty, Health Sciences (25 years of service)

08/21/2026

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CONSENT AGENDA: HUMAN RESOURCES

RECOMMENDATION NO. 6 CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL - REGULAR

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Reviewed by: Karen Monzón, Director of Human Resources Operations

Approved by: Tre'Shawn Hall-Baker, Vice-President, Human Resources

All personnel assigned into authorized positions will be elected to employment (merit system) in accordance with district policies and salary schedules.

EFFECTIVE DATE

ABOLISH CLASSIFICATION

Administrative Assistant I (1 position) Design Technology Department (100%), 12 months, 40 hours	07/01/2026
Administrative Assistant I (1 position) English Department (100%), 12 months, 40 hours	07/01/2026
Administrative Assistant I (1 position) Student Life (100%), 12 months, 40 hours	07/01/2026
Administrative Assistant I (1 position) Physical Science Department (100%), 12 months, 40 hours	07/01/2026
Director of Fiscal Services (1 position) Fiscal Services, 12 months 40 hours	08/01/2026
Director of Santa Monica College Foundation (1 position) Institutional Advancement, 12 months, 40 hours	08/01/2026
Student Onboarding Specialist (1 position) Welcome Center, 12 months, 40 hours	07/01/2026

ESTABLISH POSITION

Accompanist-Music Performance (1 position) Music Department, 8 months, 25 hours, Varied Hours	07/01/2026
Administrative Assistant I (1 position) Design Technology Department (50%) and Communication & Media Studies (50%) Departments 12 months, 40 hours	07/01/2026
Administrative Assistant I (1 position) English (75%) and Communication & Media Studies (25%) Departments, 12 months, 40 hours	07/01/2026
Administrative Assistant I (1 position) Health Sciences (50%) and Early Childhood Education (50%) Departments, 12 months, 40 hours	07/01/2026

Administrative Assistant I (1 position) 07/01/2026
Physical Science (50%) and Life Science (50%) Departments, 12 months, 40 hours

Skilled Maintenance Worker II (2 positions) 08/05/2026
Maintenance, 12 months, 40 hours, Varied Hours

CLASSIFICATION RETITLE

From: Accounting Manager-Foundation 08/05/2026
To: Accounting Manager-Santa Monica College Foundation

ELECTIONS

INCREASE IN WORK HOURS/PERMANENT (CORRECTION)

Cho, Sang Hee 07/01/2026

From: Accompanist-Music Performance, 8 mos., 22 hours, Varied Hours

To: Accompanist-Music Performance, 8 mos., 25 hours, Varied Hours

PROBATIONARY/ADVANCED STEP PLACEMENT

Baker, Jasson, Custodial Operations Manager (Step C) 08/05/2026

Castillo, Roy, Payroll Manager, Fiscal Services (Step E) 08/05/2026

Kia-Keating, Brett, Senior Research Analyst, Institutional Research (Step C) 08/17/2026

Lee, Ryan, Athletic Trainer (part-time), Athletics (Step B) 07/16/2026

PROMOTION

Landa, Jennifer 07/15/2026

From: Workforce & Economic Development Specialist, Workforce & Economic Development

To: Program Coordinator - Workforce & Econ Development

CSEA EDUCATIONAL PAY DIFFERENTIAL

Nario, Laura, Outreach & Recruitment Spec, Outreach & Onboarding 2.5% 08/01/2026
Associates/Bachelors/Masters

Velez, Sergio, Campus Safety Officer, Campus Police 2.5% 08/01/2026
Associates/Bachelors/Masters

POA POST CERTIFICATE DIFFERENTIAL

Bitar, Ahmad, CC Police Officer, Campus Police 5% 08/01/2026
POST Certificate (Advanced)

Vannoy, Steve, CC Police Officer, Campus Police 8% 08/01/2026
POST Certificate (Advanced & Intermediate)

ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSFER

Cardwell, Ingrid 07/01/2026

From: Administrative Assistant I, Physical Science Department (100%), 12 months, 40 hours

To: Administrative Assistant I, Physical Science (50%) and Life Science (50%) Departments,
12 months, 40 hours

Casillas, Joshua 07/01/2026

From: Student Onboarding Specialist, Welcome Center, 12 months, 40 hours

To: Student Onboarding Specialist, Financial Aid & Scholarships, 12 months, 40 hours

Flores, Edna 07/01/2026
From: Administrative Assistant I, Design Technology Department (100%), 12 months, 40 hours
To: Administrative Assistant I, Design Technology (50%) and Communication & Media Studies (50%) Departments, 12 months, 40 hours

Hall, Martha 07/01/2026
From: Administrative Assistant I, English Department (100%), 12 months, 40 hours
To: Administrative Assistant I, English (75%), and Communication & Media Studies (25%) Departments, 12 months, 40 hours

Harrison, Michelle 07/01/2026
From: Administrative Assistant I, Health Sciences, 12 months, 40 hours
To: Administrative Assistant I, Health Sciences (50%) & Early Childhood Education (50%), 12 months, 40 hours

WORKING OUT OF CLASS ASSIGNMENT-PROVISIONAL

Alfaro, Nancy 07/01/2026-09/30/2026
From: Administrative Assistant II, Center for Wellness & Wellbeing
To: Administrative Assistant III-Confidential, Human Resources

De los Santos, Wilmer 07/01/2026-11/05/2026
From: Carpenter, Maintenance
To: Construction Manager, Maintenance

Morrison, Tatiana 05/14/2026-06/30/2026
From: Personnel Technician, Personnel Commission
To: Personnel Analyst, Personnel Commission

WORKING OUT OF CLASS ASSIGNMENT-PROVISIONAL (Correction)

Morrison, Tatiana 12/22/2025-12/23/2025
From: Personnel Technician, Personnel Commission 01/02/2026-03/10/2026
To: Personnel Analyst, Personnel Commission

WORKING OUT OF CLASS ASSIGNMENT-PROVISIONAL SUBSTITUTE

Bobadilla, Aldo 07/01/2026-07/31/2026
From: Skilled Maintenance Worker II, Maintenance
To: Carpenter, Maintenance

WORKING OUT OF CLASS ASSIGNMENT-LIMITED TERM SUBSTITUTE (correction)

Guzman, Jazmin 05/20/2026 to 06/30/2026
From: Administrative Assistant II, Strong Workforce *03/01/2026 to 06/30/2026
To: Workforce and Economic Development Specialist, Strong Workforce
*Correction

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CONSENT AGENDA: HUMAN RESOURCES

RECOMMENDATION NO. 7 CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – LIMITED DURATION

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Reviewed by: Karen Monzón, Director of Human Resources Operations

Approved by: Tre'Shawn Hall-Baker, Vice-President, Human Resources

All personnel assigned to limited term employment (Merit System) will be elected in accordance with District policies and salary schedules.

ELECTIONS

EFFECTIVE DATE

PROVISIONAL: Temporary personnel who meet minimum qualifications and are assigned to work 90 working days; who have not come from an eligibility list.

Balsam, Jessica, Administrative Assistant II, CMD	07/09/2026 – 07/31/2026
Duarte, Dinora, Events Assistant, Performing Arts	07/01/2026 – 06/30/2027
Fong, Stephanie, Student Services Assistant, Financial Aid & Scholarships	07/01/2026 – 06/30/2027
Hernandez, Nicol, Laboratory Technician – Life Science, Life Science	07/13/2026 – 06/30/2027
Lemus, Fernando, Program Specialist, STEM	07/01/2026 – 09/30/2026
Padilla, Juliana, Student Services Assistant, Financial Aid & Scholarships	07/01/2026 – 06/30/2027

LIMITED TERM: Positions established to perform duties not expected to exceed 6 months in one fiscal year or positions established to replace temporarily absent employees; all appointments are made from eligibility lists or former employees in good standing.

Carter, Ashlie, Customer Service Assistant, Campus Store	07/01/2026 – 12/23/2026
Clements, Victor, Custodian, Operations	07/22/2026 – 01/15/2027
English, Kara, Customer Service Assistant, Campus Store	07/01/2026 – 12/23/2026

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CONSENT AGENDA: HUMAN RESOURCES

RECOMMENDATION NO. 8 ADJUSTMENT TO NON MERIT MINIMUM WAGE

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Reviewed by: Karen Monzón, Director of Human Resources Operations

Approved by: Tre'Shawn Hall-Baker, Vice-President, Human Resources

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve incremental adjustments of the Santa Monica College Non Merit Minimum Wage to coincide with the City of Santa Monica Wage Ordinance, beginning July 1, 2026.

Comment: This action continues Santa Monica College's practice to adjust the minimum wage to coincide with the City of Santa Monica Wage Ordinance. Minimum wage for the City of Santa Monica has increased to \$18.47 an hour.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 9 CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – NON MERIT

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Reviewed by: Karen Monzón, Director of Human Resources Operations

Approved by: Tre'Shawn Hall-Baker, Vice-President, Human Resources

All personnel assigned will be elected on a temporary basis to be used as needed in accordance with District policies and salary schedules.

STUDENT EMPLOYEES

College Student Assistant, \$18.47/hour (STHP)	120
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SPECIAL SERVICE

Community Services Specialist I, \$35.00/hour	4
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Community Services Specialist II, \$50.00/hour	5
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CONSENT AGENDA: FACILITIES AND FISCAL

RECOMMENDATION NO. 10-A ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS AND BUDGET AUGMENTATION

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Requested by: Tania Acosta, Vice President, Student Success

Christopher M. Bonvenuto, Vice President, Business and Administration

Grant Manager: Tania Acosta, Vice President, Student Success

Reviewed by: Kim Tran, Chief Director, Business Services

Approved by: Christopher M. Bonvenuto, Vice President, Business and Administration

Title of Grant: COVID-19 Recovery Block Grant

Granting Agency: California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office

Augmentation Amount: (\$500,000) (Total Award: \$13,590,775)

Matching Funds: Not Applicable

Performance Period: July 1, 2022 to No end date

Title of Grant: Retention and Enrollment Outreach

Granting Agency: California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office

Augmentation Amount: \$500,000 (Total Award: \$1,153,109)

Matching Funds: Not Applicable

Performance Period: July 1, 2023-No end date

Summary: The 2022-2023 State enacted budget provided districts with greater flexibility in the use of COVID-19 Recovery Block Grant, Physical Plant and Instructional Support/Equipment grant, and Retention and Enrollment funding. For expenditures made after July 1, 2022, districts may transfer funds among these programs in order to attribute expenditures to the program most closely aligned with the expense.

The District obtained approval from the Chancellor's Office to transfer \$500,000 from the COVID-19 Recovery Block Grant to the Retention and Enrollment program to provide funding for call campaigns, outreach events, counseling services, technology and website enhancements.

Budget Augmentation: Restricted Fund 01.3

Revenue

8600 State \$ 500,000

Expenditures

1000 Academic Salaries \$ 6,000

2000 Non-Academic Salaries \$ 184,204

3000 Employee Benefits \$ 18,036

4000 Supplies & Materials \$ 0

5000 Other Operating Expenditures \$ 291,760

6000 Capital Outlay \$ 0

7300 Other Outgo/Indirect \$ 0

7500 Student Aid \$ 0

Total \$ 500,000

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CONSENT AGENDA: FACILITIES AND FISCAL

RECOMMENDATION NO. 10-B ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS AND BUDGET AUGMENTATION

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Requested by: Tania Acosta, Vice President, Student Success

Grant Manager: Tracie Hunter, Associate Dean, Financial Aid and Scholarships

Reviewed by: Kim Tran, Chief Director, Business Services

Approved by: Christopher M. Bonvenuto, Vice President, Business and Administration

Title of Grant: Student Success and Completion Grant (SSCG)
Granting Agency: California Community College Chancellor's Office
Augmentation Amount: (\$2,000,000) Amended Amount: \$6,737,229
Matching Funds: NA
Performance Period: July 1, 2025-June 30, 2027
Summary:

The Student Success and Completion Grant (SSCG) is a California Community College financial aid program that provides students with additional financial aid to help offset the total cost of community college attendance and successful on-time completion.

The Student Success Completion Grant (SSCG) provides supplemental financial assistance to eligible students enrolled full-time and who receive a Cal Grant B or C award. The program supports student retention, completion rates, and transfers by reducing financial barriers and promoting full-time attendance. Due to a lack of eligible students, Santa Monica College requested to return \$2,000,000 to the State, amending the budget from \$8,737,229 to \$6,737,229.

Budget Augmentation:

Restricted Fund 74.0	
Revenue	
8600 Other State	(\$2,000,000)
Expenditures	
1000 Academic Salaries	\$ 0
2000 Non-Academic Salaries	\$ 0
3000 Employee Benefits	\$ 0
4000 Supplies & Materials	\$ 0
5000 Other Operating Expenditures	\$ 0
6000 Capital Outlay	\$ 0
7300 Other Outgo/Indirect	\$ 0
7500 Student Aid	(\$ 2,000,000)
Total	(\$ 2,000,000)

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CONSENT AGENDA: FACILITIES AND FISCAL

RECOMMENDATION NO. 10-C ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS AND BUDGET AUGMENTATION

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Requested by: Tania Acosta, Vice President, Student Success

Grant Manager: Aaron De La Torre, Director, Special Programs (Interim)

Reviewed by: Kim Tran, Chief Director, Business Services

Approved by: Christopher M. Bonvenuto, Vice President, Business and Administration

Title of Grant:	Rising Scholars Network		
Granting Agency:	California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office on behalf of the Community Colleges Board of Governors		
Augmentation Amount:	\$540,585 (Year 1 \$180,195, Year 2 \$180,195, Year 3 \$180,195)		
Matching Funds:	Not Applicable		
Performance Period:	September 16, 2025-December 31, 2028		
Summary:	In accordance with California Education Code Section 78071, the Rising Scholars Network Grant provides funding to Santa Monica College to support formerly and currently incarcerated students by providing academic counseling, tutoring, mentoring, educational pathways, and basic-needs assistance to help them complete certificates, degrees, or transfer programs. The grant also supports outreach, student support services, and direct financial assistance to improve student success and retention. Santa Monica College will use the grant funds to provide adjunct counseling services, purchase student supplies, and support outreach activities, including printing and marketing materials. The funding will also be used to host student engagement events, provide direct student aid, food assistance, and textbook vouchers.		
Budget Augmentation:	Restricted Fund 01.3		
	Revenue		
	8600 State		\$ 540,585
	Expenditures		
	1000 Academic Salaries		\$ 346,824
	2000 Non-Academic Salaries		\$ 0
	3000 Employee Benefits		\$ 69,366
	4000 Supplies & Materials		\$ 10,500
	5000 Other Operating Expenditures		\$ 27,000
	7600 Student Aid		\$ 86,895
	Total		\$ 540,585

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CONSENT AGENDA: FACILITIES AND FISCAL

RECOMMENDATION NO. 10-D ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS AND BUDGET AUGMENTATION

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Requested by: Tania Acosta, Vice President, Student Success

Program Manager: Tracie Hunter, Associate Dean, Financial Aid & Scholarships

Reviewed by: Kim Tran, Chief Director, Business Services

Approved by: Christopher M. Bonvenuto, Vice President, Business and Administration

Title of Grant:	California Promise (AB19) Program																																																
Granting Agency:	California Community College Chancellor's Office (CCCCO)																																																
Augmentation Amount:	(\$1,348) Fund 74.0 - Amended: \$4,491,322 \$1,348 Fund 01.3 - Amended : \$151,978																																																
Matching Funds:	None																																																
Performance Period:	July 1, 2025-June 30, 2027																																																
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES	ACTION
Santa Monica Community College District	August 4, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA: FACILITIES AND FISCAL

RECOMMENDATION NO. 11 BUDGET TRANSFERS

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Reviewed and approved by: Christopher M. Bonvenuto, Vice President, Business and Administration

11-A FUND 01.0 – GENERAL FUND – UNRESTRICTED

Period: June 1-30, 2026

Object Code	Description	Net Amount of Transfer
1000	Academic Salaries	350,000
2000	Classified/Student Salaries	150,414
3000	Benefits	-550,000
4000	Supplies	-104,869
5000	Contract Services/Operating Exp	-1,232,026
6000	Sites/Buildings/Equipment	1,802
7100-7699	Other Outgo/Student Payments	0
7900	Contingency Reserve	1,384,679
Net Total:		0

11-B FUND 01.3 – Restricted Fund

Period: June 1-30, 2026

Object Code	Description	Net Amount of Transfer
1000	Academic Salaries	47,869
2000	Classified/Student Salaries	64,383
3000	Benefits	-17,753
4000	Supplies	560,000
5000	Contract Services/Operating Exp	425,501
6000	Sites/Buildings/Equipment	0
7100/7699	Other Outgo/Student Payments	0
7900	Contingency Reserve	-1,080,000
Net Total:		0

11-C FUND 40.0 – Capital Projects Fund

Period: June 1-30, 2026

Object Code	Description	Net Amount of Transfer
1000	Academic Salaries	0
2000	Classified/Student Salaries	3,000
3000	Benefits	-3,000
4000	Supplies	0
5000	Contract Services/Operating Exp	1,422
6000	Sites/Buildings/Equipment	-1,422
7100/7699	Other Outgo/Student Payments	0
7900	Contingency Reserve	0
Net Total:		0

Comment: The Adopted Budget needs to be amended to reflect the totals of the departmental budgets. The current system of the Los Angeles County Office of Education requires Board approvals each month for budget adjustments. Only the net amount of the transfers in or out of the object codes is shown. In addition to the budget adjustments, transfers result from requests by managers to adjust budgets to meet changing needs during the course of the year.

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CONSENT AGENDA: FACILITIES AND FISCAL

RECOMMENDATION NO. 12 PAYROLL WARRANT REGISTER

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Requested by: Kim Tran, Chief Director, Business Services

Approved by: Christopher M. Bonvenuto, Vice-President, Business/Administration

Payroll Warrant Register

June 2026 C1K – C2L \$16,499,415.87

Comment: The detailed payroll register documents are on file in the Accounting Department.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 13 AUXILIARY PAYMENTS AND PURCHASE ORDERS

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Requested by: Mitch Heskell, Dean, Educational Enterprise

Approved by: Christopher M. Bonvenuto, Vice-President, Business/Administration

Auxiliary Operations Payments and Purchase Orders

June 2026 Covered by check & voucher numbers: 0444693-044966, & 04912-04972;
004081-004159 & 04946-04956, 04962-65. 04971

Bookstore Fund Payments	\$ 137,067.12
Other Auxiliary Fund Payments	\$ 82,252.97
Trust and Fiduciary Fund Payments	<u>\$ 454,526.12</u>
	\$ 673,846.21

Purchase Orders Issued

June 2026	\$ 11,384.79
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Comment: All purchases and payments were made in accordance with Education Code requirements and allocated to approved budgets in the Bookstore, Trust and Auxiliary Funds. Detailed list on file in the Auxiliary Office.

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CONSENT AGENDA: FACILITIES AND FISCAL

RECOMMENDATION NO. 14 COMMERCIAL WARRANT REGISTER

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Reviewed and approved by: Christopher M. Bonvenuto, Vice President, Business and Administration

Commercial Warrant Register

June 2026 775737 through 828525

ACH Numbers

June 2026 586560 through 598416

Total \$15,449,317.74

Comment: The detailed Commercial Warrant documents are on file in the Accounting Department.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 15 REISSUE COMMERCIAL WARRANTS

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Approved by: Christopher M. Bonvenuto, Vice-President, Business/Administration

Warrants not presented to the County Treasurer within six months are void; therefore, it is requested that LACOE draw a new warrant to replace the following list of expired warrants.

<u>Employee Name</u>	<u>Warrant #</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Aguilera, Jesus	21237656	03/26/2024	\$284.00
Rodriguez, Carmen	8606869126	10/18/2023	\$78.00

RECOMMENDATION NO. 16 PROVIDERS FOR COMMUNITY AND CONTRACT EDUCATION

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Requested by: Scott Silverman, Dean, Noncredit and External Programs

Approved by: Jason Beardsley, Vice-President, Academic Affairs

Authorization of payment for delivery of seminars and courses for SMC Community and Contract Education. The list of providers is on file in the office of Community and Contract Education. Payment per class is authorized as stated on the list on file.

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CONSENT AGENDA: FACILITIES AND FISCAL

RECOMMENDATION NO. 17 ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Reviewed and approved by: Christopher M. Bonvenuto, Vice President, Business and Administration

<u>Organizational Memberships</u>	<u>Number of Memberships</u>	<u>Amount</u>
August 2026	9	\$55,130

Funding Sources: General Fund, Fund 01.0

<u>Organizational Memberships</u>	<u>Number of Memberships</u>	<u>Amount</u>
August 2026	3	\$2,350

Funding Sources: Restricted Fund, Fund 01.3

Comment: The list of organizational memberships is on file in the Offices of the Superintendent/President and Fiscal Services. The Los Angeles County Office of Education requires monthly approval of the list on file.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 18 PURCHASING

Requested Action: Approval/Ratification

Requested by: Nyla Cotton, Director of Procurement, Contracts and Logistics

Approved by: Christopher M. Bonvenuto, Vice-President, Business/Administration

18-A AWARD OF PURCHASE ORDERS

Establish purchase orders and authorize payments to all vendors upon delivery and acceptance of services or goods ordered. The amount includes payments related to bond construction projects. All purchases and payments are made in accordance with Education Code requirements and allocated to approved budgets. Lists of vendors on file in the Purchasing Department.

June 2026	\$191,192,148.16
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES	ACTION
Santa Monica Community College District	August 4, 2026

MAJOR ITEMS OF BUSINESS

RECOMMENDATION NO. 19

SUBJECT: **ADOPTION OF EDUCATION PROTECTION ACCOUNT (EPA - PROP 55, AN EXTENSION OF PROP 30) EXPENDITURE PLAN**

SUBMITTED BY: Vice President, Business and Administration

REQUESTED ACTION: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the plan to expend the 2025-2026 Education Protection Account (EPA) funds of \$32,761,479 on instructional salaries.

SUMMARY: Proposition 55, The California Children’s Education and Health Care Protection Act of 2016, which was an extension of Proposition 30, temporarily raises the income tax rate for upper-income-earners (over \$250,000 for single filers, over \$500,000 for joint filers, and over \$340,000 for heads of households) through 2030-2031 to fund the State’s Educational Protection Account which provides funding for local school districts and community colleges.

Under Proposition 55, Districts have sole authority to determine how the moneys received from the EPA are spent, provided that the governing board makes these spending determinations in an open session of a public meeting of the governing board. Each entity receiving funds must annually publish on its web site an accounting of how much money was received from the EPA and how that money was spent. Additionally, the annual independent financial and compliance audit required of community colleges shall ascertain and verify whether the funds provided by the EPA have been properly disbursed and expended as required by law.

This recommendation is submitted to comply with Proposition 55 provisions requiring the governing board to make the spending determination in an open session of a public meeting of the governing board. The estimated EPA that our District will receive for 2025-2026 as of July 2026 Early Recalc, is \$33,427,814. Accordingly, the amount of EPA funds as of the recalculation of apportionment for 2024-2025 decreased from the P2 amount of \$29,831,370 to \$29,165,035 or a decrease of <\$666,335>. The entire amount for 2025-2026 less the decrease in 2024-2025 funding will be spent on instructional salaries. The EPA funds are NOT additional funds but rather are components of the “computational revenue” calculations and will be offset by a decrease in apportionment funding received by the State.

MOTION MADE BY: Margaret Quiñones-Perez

SECONDED BY: Tom Peters

STUDENT ADVISORY: Aye

AYES: 6

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 1 (Rader)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES	ACTION
Santa Monica Community College District	August 4, 2026

MAJOR ITEMS OF BUSINESS

RECOMMENDATION NO. 20

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A MEASURE TO ESTABLISH A PARCEL TAX COLLECTED BY THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA FOR FUNDING FOR THE SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

SUBMITTED BY: Board Chair and Vice-Chair

REQUESTED ACTION: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt a resolution in support of a measure to establish a parcel tax collected by the City of Santa Monica for Funding the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this Measure is to enable and ensure that the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District is provided with stable financial support from the City of Santa Monica on an ongoing basis.

This initiative would amend the Santa Monica Municipal Code by establishing a flat-rate annual parcel tax of \$495 per parcel of real property located within the City of Santa Monica. The funds collected from the parcel tax are to be provided in full by the City to the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) or any successor school district that serves students attending public school in Santa Monica and cannot be directed elsewhere by any government entity. The amount of the parcel tax will be adjusted annually for inflation in accordance with the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers.

The funding is expressly intended to provide a permanent source of funding for the funds currently provided by the City to SMMUSD through the Master Facilities Use Agreement, which expires on June 30, 2027. The funding provided by the parcel tax is intended to supplement, and not to replace, existing funding commitments in prior initiative measures, including Measures Y/YY (2010), Measures GS/GSH (2016), and Measure GS (2022).

The parcel tax funds may be used for educational purposes, including but not limited to, retention of teachers; assistance to disadvantaged students; art, music, science, and math education; access to early childhood education programs; maintenance of existing school facilities; and community access after school hours to school facilities. The parcel tax funds may not be used for administrator salaries, land acquisition, or capital improvements such as construction of new buildings.

Link to: [City of Santa Monica Staff Report](#)

MOTION MADE BY: Margaret Quiñones-Perez
 SECONDED BY: Luis Barrera Castañón
 STUDENT ADVISORY: Aye
 AYES: 7
 NOES: 0

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, on September 9, 2025, the Santa Monica City Council adopted Resolution No. 11698, a "Resolution ... Identifying Local Fiscal Distress Based on Decreased Revenue and Increased Liabilities." This Measure is intended to ensure that the children of our community and our public schools, the institution that most directly affects and shapes their lives, do not suffer financial harm due to the City's fiscal distress, which is unrelated to the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District; and

WHEREAS, the City presently provides significant funding to the School District, including through the Master Facilities Use Agreement ("MFUA"). But given the City's fiscal distress, MFUA funding is not guaranteed to continue when the current MFUA expires on June 30, 2027. The People desire to ensure a permanent source of City funding at the level currently provided by the MFUA by creating an additional revenue source through this local Parcel Tax, with all revenue dedicated to the School District; and

WHEREAS, the entire community benefits from ensuring that the School District has the financial resources necessary to provide excellent educational opportunities for its students. This Measure will ensure that the City continues to provide revenue to the School District for educational purposes including the retention of high-quality teachers; assistance for disadvantaged students; art, music, science, and math education; access to early childhood education programs; maintenance of existing school facilities in a safe and clean condition; and continued community access to school facilities after school hours. Excellent public schools attract quality businesses to the community, increase property values, generate local tax revenues, help to deter criminal activity, reduce community problems such as poverty, drug use, and teen pregnancy, and help improve the overall quality of life in Santa Monica. In addition, the School District regularly makes its facilities available for after-hours community use, including its auditoriums, gymnasiums, playing fields, and classrooms. All of these community benefits, and more, will provide a substantial beneficial return on the City's investment in local public schools as enabled and required by this Measure; and

WHEREAS, the loss of ongoing City funding that has been provided by the MFUA since 2005 would be devastating to the School District. The People of the City can counter the potential loss of MFUA funding, as well as ongoing and severe State funding shortfalls and Federal cutbacks on education spending, by adding this local Parcel Tax to maintain reliable City funding of its public schools and protect high-quality education in the School District. All revenue from this local Parcel Tax will stay in the School District and cannot be taken away by the Federal, State, County, or City government; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Monica Community College District benefits from the excellent educational opportunities provided by the Santa Monica-Malibu School District through such educational collaboratives as Young Collegians, dual enrollment, and concurrent enrollment; through shared resources; through outreach and counseling activities; and through the enrollments of SMMUSD graduates into SMC coursework and programs;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Santa Monica Community College District supports a measure to establish a parcel tax collected by the City of Santa Monica for funding for the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES	INFORMATION
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MAJOR ITEMS OF BUSINESS

INFORMATION ITEM NO. 21

SUBJECT: SUPERINTENDENT/PRESIDENT SEARCH UPDATE

SUBMITTED BY: Vice-President of Human Resources on Behalf of AGB Search Consultants

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES:

Following is a summary of the Superintendent/President search process to date and an overview of upcoming activities.

Recruitment Activities

On May 19, 2026 AGB Search contacted 1,019 educational leaders across the Country, seeking expressions of interest, applications, and nominations. On June 11th, AGB followed up with 154 prospects who clicked on the original email outreach. Consultants reviewed 120 profiles on LinkedIn and contacted 56, resulting in 18 responses.

July 7, 2026 - Sent out source letters to all 2025 and 2026 Wheelhouse Fellows who haven't already been contacted.

July 14, 2026 – Sent email reminder to all interested and nominees. Consultants called all nominees.

July 15, 2026 – Sent another email blast to prospects from original blast (1,036 emails). Also included in the email blast were Wheelhouse Fellows from the last 3 years, system heads from across the country, and anyone who clicked on links in the original blast from May 19, 2026.

Applicant Pool

Statistics

Applicants – 107 - All have been acknowledged.

Interested – 19 total inquiries - All have been followed up with by a consultant. (8 applied, 2 declined)

Nominees – 41 total received - All were sent a nomination letter. (4 applied, 10 declined)

Committee Activities

As per the approved Timeline, the Search Committee has reviewed and approved a Candidate Assessment Form for use in reviewing candidate materials for alignment with the Search Profile.

The AGB Search Portal was opened to the Committee on July 8th and the Committee began to review applications. Prior to AGB Search opening the portal, the Committee participated in an Equal Employment Opportunity presentation offered by Human Resources. The presentation covered the subject of unconscious bias.

On July 27, 2026, the Committee sent its top 8-10 unranked candidates to AGB Search, which will prepare a tally of the responses. This phase of the process is not a Committee vote. Rather, it is a summary that the Committee will use in deliberation.

On July 29, 2026, the Committee met and selected the semifinalists. AGB will initiate its due diligence checks.

On August 10-12, 2026, the Search Committee will interview the semifinalists and recommend an unranked slate of 3-4 candidates for finalist interviews.

There will be candidate open forums on September 8 and 9, 2026.

The finalists will interview with the Board in closed session on September 10, 2026. AGB Search will present the results of the due diligence. Immediately following the selection by the Board, the contract negotiations will begin. Once the contract is fully executed, the new Superintendent/President will be announced, and the transition will begin. The start date for the new Superintendent/President will be negotiated.

Board Updates

AGB Search will provide search updates to the Board at its regularly scheduled meetings throughout the search process. A brief timetable for Search Committee activities is provided below. AGB will continue its commitment to assist the Committee in identifying highly qualified, diverse candidates through a rigorous and fair selection process. The appointment of the new Superintendent/President will mark the beginning of an era for Santa Monica College.

SUMMARY OF SEARCH TIMELINE

June 10	Finalize Interview Questions and Candidate Assessment Form
July 8	Anti-Bias Workshop Committee begins Review of Applications
July 22	Full Consideration Deadline
July 27	Committee sends Top 8 Candidates to AGB Search
July 29	Committee Selects Semifinalists
August 10-12	Committee Interviews Semifinalists and Recommends 3-4 Unranked Finalists
September 8 and 9	Finalists tour of campus, meet with senior staff, and open forums
Tuesday, September 8	Regular Board of Trustees Meeting • Develop interview questions in closed session
Thursday September 10 (all day)	Finalists interview with Board of Trustees in closed session
TBD	Special Board Meeting to Select Chosen Candidate
TBD	Contract Negotiations with Chosen Candidate
TBD	Board Announces New Superintendent/President
TBD	Start Date for new Superintendent/President (negotiated)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES	ADJOURNMENT
SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT	August 4, 2026

XI. BOARD SELF-ASSESSMENT

XII. BOARD COMMENTS

XIII. ADJOURNMENT - 7:26 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned in memory of SMC Life Science instructor **Rishab Gupta**; and **Alan McCarroll**, SMC Payroll Specialist and Mail Service Worker.

The next regular meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 6 p.m. (5 p.m. if there is a closed session) in the Santa Monica College Board Room (Business Building Room 117) 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, California. This meeting will be held in-person and via Zoom Webinar to allow for remote attendance.