



Santa Monica Community College District
District Planning and Advisory Council
MEETING –APRIL 22, 2026
AGENDA

A meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC) is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, April 22, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. in the SMC Student Services Center Conference Room 222, 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica. The meeting was also be conducted via Zoom to allow for remote attendance. Following is the link to join the DPAC meeting via Zoom:

<https://smc-edu.zoom.us/j/93886279276>

- I. Call to Order
- II. Members
Jason Beardsley Administration, Chair Designee
Vicenta Arrizon, Academic Senate President, Vice-Chair
Sasha King, Administration Representative
Chris Bonvenuto, Management Association Representative
Jose Hernandez, Management Association Representative
Stephanie Amerian, Academic Senate Representative
Peter Morse, Faculty Association President
Elaine Roque, Faculty Association Representative
Cindy Ordaz, CSEA President
Martha Romano, CSEA Representative
Brandon Garcia, Associated Students Primary Commissioner
Eva Palafox, Associated Students Representative
- III. Public Comments
- IV. Review of Minutes: March 25, 2026
- V. Reports
- VI. Agenda
 1. [2026 First Quarter Report on Implementation of OIR Group Recommendations](#)
 2. Mid-Year Update: 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan #2 – Campus Safety Plan
- VII. Adjournment

Meeting schedule through June 2026

May 13, 27

June 10, 24

Meeting of the Council of Presidents (COP)

The Council of Presidents will discuss the agenda for the DPAC meeting on May 13, 2026.

Public Comments

Members of the public may address the District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC) by oral presentation concerning any subject that lies within the jurisdiction of DPAC. Each speaker may be allowed a maximum of three minutes per topic.

Exceptions: This time allotment does not apply to individuals who are making a presentation at the invitation or request of DPAC.

Instructions for Submitting a Request to Speak at In-Person Meeting

Individuals wishing to speak at a DPAC meeting during Public Comments or regarding item(s) on the agenda must submit a request to DPAC Coordinator ROSE_LISA@smc.edu with name, address, name of organization (if applicable) and the topic or item on which comment is to be made.

Instructions for Submitted Written Comments

Individuals wishing to submit written comments to be read at a DPAC meeting are requested to send an email to DPAC Coordinator ROSE_LISA@smc.edu by 2:30 p.m. for the meeting beginning at 3 p.m. The email should contain the subject line "DPAC Written Comments" and include the following information in the body of the email:

- Name
- Address
- Name of organization (if applicable)
- Topic or Item

Instructions for Speaking via Zoom

Individuals wishing to make public comments at a DPAC meeting via Zoom are requested to send an email to DPAC Coordinator ROSE_LISA@smc.edu by 2:30 p.m. for the meeting beginning at 3 p.m. The email should contain the subject line "DPAC Written Comments" and include the following information in the body of the email:

- Name
- Address
- Name of organization (if applicable)
- Topic or Item

Alternatively, during the meeting and before public comments have ended, individuals may use the Q&A feature of Zoom to request to speak.

DPAC Meeting Ground Rules

To facilitate constructive dialogue in DPAC meetings, it is crucial to maintain a set of ground rules that encourage open communication, mutual respect, and effective problem-solving. These guidelines will help create an environment where DPAC members feel comfortable sharing their ideas and opinions without fear of personal attacks or ridicule. Following are some essential ground rules for DPAC meetings:

- **Stay on topic:** Conversation should remain focused on the issue at hand, avoiding distractions and unrelated tangents.
- **Focus on the issue, not the person:** Discuss ideas and opinions, rather than focusing on personal issues or complaints.
- **Maintain a respectful tone:** Communicate your thoughts and ideas with courtesy and respect, avoiding aggressive or condescending language
- **Strive for balanced participation:** All DPAC members should have an opportunity to contribute their ideas and perspectives.
- **Active listening:** Active listening includes giving others your full attention, refraining from interrupting, and asking clarifying questions to ensure comprehension.
- **Be open-minded:** Remain open to new ideas and be willing to change opinions based on the information and insights shared during the debate. Acknowledge and respect the diversity of opinions and experiences within the team. Recognize that different perspectives can contribute to a richer understanding of the issue at hand and lead to more innovative solutions.
- **Seek common ground:** Identify areas of agreement and work collaboratively towards finding mutually beneficial solutions.




**Santa Monica Community College District
2025-2026 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

<p>ANNUAL ACTION PLAN 2</p> <p>Campus Safety - Conduct a comprehensive college-wide safety audit to create a strong campus safety culture. An audit will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducting a safety training survey; • Identifying a new emergency communication system; • Developing a college-wide safety plan to include organizational structure, tabletop exercises, and trainings 	<p>Lead Persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vice President of Student Success • Chief of Police • Director of Safety and Risk Management • EOT Leads <p>Other Responsible Area(s): Emergency Preparedness Committee Campus Safety Committee Campus Police Human Resources Professional Development Committee</p>
<p>Map to Institutional Plans</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Trustees Annual Goals 2024-2025 and Ongoing Priorities <input type="checkbox"/> Accreditation 2022 Institutional Self-Evaluation Report <input type="checkbox"/> Education Master Plan <input type="checkbox"/> 2017-2022 Strategic Initiatives <input type="checkbox"/> Strategic Enrollment Management Plan ✳ 2023-2024 Program Review Report <input type="checkbox"/> 2023-2024 Institutional Effectiveness Report <input type="checkbox"/> Guided Pathways: Redesigning the Student Experience <input type="checkbox"/> Student Equity Plan <input type="checkbox"/> SMC Campus Master Plan Facilities Conditions Assessment <input type="checkbox"/> Academic Senate Objectives ✳ Other (please add) 	
<p>Methods to Accomplish the Annual Action Plan <i>(include timeline)</i></p> <p>A comprehensive college-wide safety audit is essential for enhancing campus safety and fostering a proactive safety culture. Key initiatives include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Targeted Safety Training: Conducting surveys to identify gaps and develop tailored training programs. • Improved Emergency Communication: Implementing an updated system for timely, effective responses. • Clear Safety Framework: Establishing a detailed safety plan with defined roles and protocols. • Tabletop Exercises: Regularly practicing scenarios to enhance preparedness and collaboration. • Continuous Training: Providing ongoing education on safety practices and protocols. • Safety Culture: Engaging staff and students to prioritize safety in daily activities. • Data-Driven Improvements: Using audit findings to guide and measure progress. <p>This audit will strengthen safety protocols, improve communication, and create a safer, more supportive campus environment.</p>	
<p>Describe the anticipated outcomes that will result from the completion of the action plan, including how its completion might further the college’s safety goals.</p> <p>The comprehensive safety plan will significantly advance the college’s safety goals through the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced Safety Awareness: Ongoing safety training and regular departmental talks will foster a culture of safety, empowering staff to recognize and address potential hazards. • Improved Emergency Preparedness: A college-wide safety plan, supported by regular tabletop exercises, will ensure staff are prepared for emergencies and continuously improve protocols. 	

- **Increased Accountability and Engagement:** Rotating safety assignments will promote shared responsibility and collaboration among staff and students, strengthening the community's commitment to safety.
- **Integration of Safety into Daily Routines:** Embedding safety practices, such as walk-throughs and equipment reviews, into daily operations will make safety a consistent priority.
- **Continuous Improvement:** Regular feedback from exercises and assignments will enable data-driven adjustments, ensuring ongoing enhancement of safety measures.

By implementing this plan, the college will create a safer, more prepared campus with a strong culture of safety that benefits all employees and students.

Status of Action Plan

<p>Draft Action Plan Reviewed by DPAC and Submitted to Fiscal Services</p> <p>Date: February 12, 2025</p>	<p>Fiscal/Budget Committee Response Recommendation:</p> <p>On May 21, 2025, the Budget Committee reviewed the DPAC Annual Action Plan #2 and recommended the Campus Safety Culture to DPAC and Dr. Jeffery as presented, for consideration of inclusion in the 2025-2026 District Budget.</p> <p>DPAC Action On June 11 2025, DPAC approved 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan #2 and forwards its recommendation to Dr . Jeffery to include a budget of \$28,000 for items that are needed to create an ongoing Safety Culture at the College. An additional budget of \$25,000 is for items that will improve and enhance the Emergency Preparedness Planning and Operations; however, they are not mandatory for the program success.</p>	
<p>Action Plan Submitted to Superintendent/President</p> <p>Date: June 11, 2025</p>	<p>Superintendent/President's Response</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Consider* <input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved*</p> <p><i>*If checked, an explanation will be provided in writing.</i></p>	 <hr/> <p>Superintendent/President</p> <p>Date: June 23, 2025</p>

District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC)
Meeting schedule 2025-2026
(second and fourth Wednesdays each month at 2 p.m.)

Meeting Date	Topic/Related Reports	Invitees/Responsible Areas
July 9, 2025	Election of DPAC Vice-Chair, 2025-2026 Draft Schedule of DPAC Meetings, 2025-2026	DPAC DPAC
July 23	Technology Update DPAC 2024-2025 Annual Report	Calvin Madlock DPAC
August 13	Cancelled	
August 27	Cancelled	
September 10	DPAC Orientation	Jason Beardsley
September 24	Report: Program Review DPAC Budget Subcommittee Update	Stephanie Amerian, Mitch Heskell
October 8	Update: Education Master Plan Report: Institutional Effectiveness Committee Discussion: Annual Action Plans for 2026-2027	Jason Beardsley Hannah Lawler DPAC
October 22	Facilities Update Master Plan for Education Update Discussion: Annual Action Plans for 2026-2027	Terry Kamibayashi Jason Beardsley DPAC
November 12	Master Plan for Education 2025-2030 Discussion: Annual Action Plans for 2026-2027	Jason Beardsley DPAC
November 26	Cancel	
December 10	Discussion: Annual Action Plans for 2026-2027 OIR Recommendations \$1,000,000 Donation from Conrad Lee and Joan Dempsey Klein	DPAC
January 14, 2026	Annual Action Plans for 2026-2027	DPAC
January 28	Recommendation No. 1: Request that DPAC HR Committee review BP 3050, Institutional Code of Ethics Annual Action Plans for 2026-2027	DPAC
February 11	Proposed Recommendation No. 1: Code of Civility Discussion: DPAC will discuss how to support a transparent and inclusive process for the implementation of the OIR recommendations Finalize Annual Action Plans for 2026-2027 to forward to Senior Staff, Fiscal, and Budget Committee	DPAC

February 25	Discussion: Request the DPAC Human Resources Subcommittee to develop a campus-wide Code of Civility Discussion: Strategic Planning	DPAC and DPAC Human Resources Subcommittee Co-Chairs Jason Beardsley
March 11	Discussion: Strategic Planning	DPAC
March 25	Mid-Year Update: Annual Action Plan #1 – Climate Action Plan Amendment to 2026-2027 Annual Action Plan 2026-2027 Annual Action Plans: Approved by Budget Committee Discussion: Strategic Planning	Ferris Kwar DPAC Chris Bonvenuto DPAC
April 8	Cancelled	
April 22	Quarterly Update on OIR Recommendations Mid-Year Update: 2-25-2026 Annual Action Plan #2 – Campus Safety Plan	Bob Myers Daniel Phillips, Johnnie Adams, Tania Acosta
May 13		
May 27		
June 10	Tentative Budget for 2026-2027 Report from Strategic Planning Work Group	Chris Bonvenuto Jason Beardsley
June 24	Election of DPAC Vice-Chair, 2026-2027 Quarterly Update on OIR Recommendations Start process for year-end report on 2025-2026 Action Plans	DPAC Bob Myers DPAC