



A meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC) was held on Wednesday, January 24, 2024. This meeting was conducted in person in the SMC Student Services Building Room 396 and via Zoom Conference.

- I. Call to Order -3:05 p.m.
- II. Members Present
 - Mike Tuitasi, Administration, Chair
 - Jamar London, Academic Senate President, Vice-Chair
 - Jason Beardsley, Administration Representative
 - Chris Bonvenuto, Management Association Representative
 - Sasha King, Management Association Representative
 - Stephanie Amerian, Academic Senate Representative
 - Matt Hotsinpiller, Faculty Association Representative
 - Elaine Roque, Faculty Association Representative
 - Cindy Ordaz, CSEA President
 - Martha Romano, CSEA Representative
 - Cecilia Jeong, Associated Students President
- III. Minutes of the DPAC meeting on January 10, 2024: Motion was made by Cindy Ordaz and seconded by Elaine Roque to approve the minutes. *Unanimously approved.*
- IV. Public Comments – None
- V. Reports
- VI. Superintendent/President’s Response to DPAC Recommendation – None
- VII. Agenda
 1. Governor’s Proposed Budget for 2024-2025
 - This is the beginning of the State budget process, things can and will change.
 - 2024-2025 Budget Act:
 - Projected <\$37.9 billion> budget deficit
 - LAO projects a <\$68.0 billion> budget deficit
 - Attributable to declines in Personal Income Tax (PIT)
 - PIT accounts for 66% of State Revenue
 - 50% of PIT is from Top 1% (180,000 taxpayers)
 - Specific issue is Capital Gains which dropped from 11.6% to 5%
 - Issue was “hidden” due to delayed tax filing related to winter storms
 - The Governor notes risk but does not forecast a recession.
 - Link to: [Governor’s Budget Presentation](#)

2. Discussion: Annual Action Plans for 2024-2025

A draft of 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan to *Develop a Plan to Increase Student Persistence and Retention from Fall 2024 to Spring 2025* was presented for review. After some discussion, it was suggested that this AAP not include the specific goals and focus instead on the identification, coordination and assessment of college-wide retention and persistence activities. The AAP will include the establishment of a DPAC Subcommittee to oversee this effort with a lead person from Student Affairs and Academic Affairs. The charge to the subcommittee will be to identify the retention and persistence components of existing college plans and activities (e.g., Strategic Enrollment Management (SEM) Plan, Student Equity Plan, Guided Pathways, Facilities Master Plan, Professional Development, Onboarding), develop a means for assessment of success/improvement and coordinate a schedule of reports for DPAC in Spring 2025. A draft of the revised AAP will be presented for review and discussion at the next DPAC meeting.

VIII. Adjournment – 4:43 p.m.

Meeting schedule for 2023-2024 (second and fourth Wednesdays each month at 3 p.m.)

February 14, 28

March 13, 27

April 10, 24

May 8, 22

June 12, 26