



Santa Monica Community College District
District Planning and Advisory Council
MEETING –SEPTEMBER 24, 2025
MINUTES

A meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC) was held on Wednesday, September 24, 2025 in the SMC Student Services Center Conference Room 222, 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica. The meeting was also conducted via Zoom to allow for remote attendance.

I. Call to Order – 3:04 p.m.

II. Members Present

Vicenta Arrizon, Academic Senate President, Vice-Chair
Sasha King, Administration Representative
Sasha King, Management Association Representative
Stephanie Amerian, Academic Senate Representative
Peter Morse, Faculty Association President
Elaine Roque, Faculty Association Representative
Cindy Ordaz, CSEA President
Ailsa Ortiz, Associated Students President
Associated Students Representative

III. Public Comments - None

IV. Review of Minutes: Motion was made by Cindy Ordaz and seconded by Jose Hernandez to approve the minutes of the DPAC meeting on September 10, 2025. *Unanimously approved with two abstentions (Chris Bonvenuto and Jose Hernandez).*

V. Reports: None

VI. Agenda

1. The Program Review Committee Report for Cycle 2 (2024-2025) was presented by Stephanie Amerian and Mitchel Heskell, Chair and Vice-Chair of the Program Review Committee. The second cohort of programs completed the revamped Comprehensive Program Review (six-year).

Following are the Meta-Analysis Findings:

- Clarify course modality planning and staffing to increase on-ground options.
- Integrate workplace violence prevention training into the upcoming 2025-2026 DPAC Action Plan as a strategy to foster a districtwide culture of safety and preparedness
- Invest in sustainable staffing and expertise to meet student needs
- Develop a cross-college strategy for ethical and equitable use of AI in teaching, learning, and student support

Update on Cycle 1 (2023-2024) Meta-Analysis Findings

Two Findings led to DPAC Annual Action Plans for 2025-2026

- Districtwide Sustainability Culture and Initiatives
- Districtwide Safety Culture

One finding is in the process of being addressed in a future (2026-2027) DPAC Annual Action Plan.

- Data-Informed Scheduling:

Link to: [Program Review Committee Report](#)

2. DPAC Budget Subcommittee Update: Vice-President of Business/Administration Chris Bonvenuto provided an overview of the CCC Chancellor's Office budget requests to the State of California for \$478 million in on-going funds and \$239 million in one-time funds for 2026-2027. It does not include an extension of hold-harmless or one-time block grants.

Link to: [Detailed Chancellor's Office Request](#)

He shared the following tools that Budget Subcommittee members may use or share with their groups. It allows for creating different scenarios by changing metrics and seeing the effect on the SCFF.

- SCFF Calculator for Adopted Budget
- Scenario Calculator

VII. Adjournment – 4:48 p.m.

Meeting schedule through June 2026

2025

October 8, 22

November 12

December 10

2026

January 14, 28

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March 11, 25

April 8, 22

May 13, 27

June 10, 24