



Budget Planning Subcommittee of the District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC) MEETING MINUTES – February 19, 2025

A Meeting of the Budget Planning Subcommittee will be held Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at 2:00 pm at Santa Monica College's Student Services Center (SSC 396), 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, California.

The public may join the meeting via zoom with the following link: <https://smc-edu.zoom.us/j/85009325229>

I. Call to Order

Members:

- Mitch Heskel, District Representative
- Chris Bonvenuto, District Representative, Co-Chair
- Teresita Rodriguez, District Representative
- Tracie Hunter, District Representative
- Vicenta Arrizon, Academic Senate Representative
- Jamar London, Academic Senate Representative
- Matt Hotsinpiller, Faculty Assoc Rep, Co-Chair
- Peter Morse, FA Rep (Elaine Roque – Proxy)
- Martha Romano, CSEA Representative
- Kennisha Green, CSEA Rep (Absent)
- Dagmar Gorman, CSEA Representative
- Cindy Ordaz, CSEA Representative
- David Duncan, Associated Student Representative
- Jordan Davis, Associated Student Rep (Absent)
- Vacant, Associated Student Representative
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Interested Parties in attendance: Stacy Neal, Tre'Shawn Hall-Baker, Lugina Rogers, JR Stevenson, John Linke, Yasmin Alpay, Debra Joseph-Locke, Elisa Meyer, Maisha Reid

II. Public Comments

III. **Approval of Minutes:** January 29, 2025 Motion: Dagmar Gorman Second: Mitch Heskel

AYES: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

Minutes were approved

February 5, 2025 Motion: Dagmar Gorman Second: Mitch Heskel

AYES: 8 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: Teresita Rodriguez, Mitch Heskel

Minutes were approved

IV. Reports/Discussion

1. Fiscal Services Update

Chris Bonvenuto shared the Budget Review Presentation from the Special Board Meeting on February 18, 2025. The presentation included a historical budget review from 2018-19 Through 2025-26 for the following data points: State Apportionment, Resident Credit FTES, Non-Credit FTES, Non-Resident FTES, Salaries, Health Benefits, Supplies, Contracts/Services, Utilities, Insurance, and Fund Balance. Budget Actions developed by Budget Committee in Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and current 2024-2025 immediate budget actions were also shared.

Finally, several multi-year budget scenarios were shared to demonstrate the effect on the budget of different actions.

The presentation can be found on SMC's Budget Office's website:

<https://admin.smc.edu/administration/business-services/budget/reports-documents.php>

2. Develop Guiding Principles to inform budgetary balancing strategies and decisions for 2025-2026

The Committee members brainstormed ideas for guiding principles which included:

Make budgetary decisions with the least amount of direct impact to students, preserving quality education, using attrition and retirements to reduce budget deficit, maintaining support for student equity, maintaining transparency, and focusing on the Student Centered Funding Formula (SCFF) metrics.

Chris Bonvenuto made the following motion:

Create an ad hoc subgroup of the committee to develop a draft of **Budget Reduction Guiding Principles** for discussion at the Budget Committee Meeting on March 5, 2025.

Motion: Chris Bonvenuto Second: Dagmar Gorman AYES: 12 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

The subgroup consists of Cindy Ordaz, Vicenta Arrizon, Tracie Hunter, Elisa Meyer, Jamar London, David Duncan, and Matt Hotsinpillar.

Motion was approved.

V. Adjournment: 4:05 pm

For all documents, visit www.smc.edu/administration/governance/district-planning-policies/budget-planning-subcommittee.php

Future Budget Planning Committee Meetings: Meetings will be on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, except as noted, and will begin at 2:00 pm.