



Santa Monica Community College District

Budget Planning Subcommittee of the District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC)

MEETING MINUTES – April 30, 2025

A Meeting of the Budget Planning Subcommittee will be held Wednesday, April 30, 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 2:06 pm

Members:

- Mitch Hessel, District Representative (Absent)
- Chris Bonvenuto, District Representative, Co-Chair
- Teresita Rodriguez, District Rep (Absent)
- Tracie Hunter, District Representative
- Vicenta Arrizon, Academic Senate Representative
- Jamar London, Academic Senate Representative
- Matt Hotsinpillar, FA Representative, Co-Chair
- Peter Morse, Faculty Association Representative
- Martha Romano, CSEA Rep (Absent)
- Kennisha Green, CSEA Representative
- Dagmar Gorman, CSEA Representative
- Cindy Ordaz, CSEA Representative
- David Duncan, Associated Student Representative
- Jordan Davis, AS Representative (Proxy-Sameer Wason)
- Vacant, Associated Student Representative
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Interested Parties in attendance: Elisa Meyer, Sasha King, Scott Silverman, JR Stevenson, Fariba Owlya, Elaine Roque, Stacy Neal

II. Public Comments

- III. Approval of Minutes:** April 2, 2025 Motion: Dagmar Gorman Seconded: Cindy Ordaz
AYES: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 1 - Kennisha Green
Minutes were approved.

IV. Reports/Discussion

1. 3rd Quarter Budget Update

Vice President Chris Bonvenuto presented the 3rd Quarter Budget.

The presentation can be found:

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

Fund Balance

Structural Deficit from Adopted Budget to Third Quarter <\$6,998,535> m to <\$12,655,942> million
Overall Deficit <\$1,591,455> million. In the third quarter overall deficit is now <\$4,880,611> million

Key Take Aways

Expenditures continue to outpace revenues
May Revise will be important
Continued budget balancing needs to occur
2025-26 Tentative Budget in June

The district has ~ \$7 million remaining from the Covid Block Grant.

"The funds should be used on activities that directly support student learning, continuity of education, and mitigating learning loss related to Covid-19." Allowable expenses include: Re-engagement strategies for students who receive an incomplete or failing, Grants to faculty to develop online learning modules, Professional development for faculty and student services, Access to basic needs and mental health services needed to support students, Acquisition of cleaning supplies and personal protective equipment (PPE).

Chris Bonvenuto will go to Senior Staff to discuss the ~\$7 million Covid Block Grant funds and will report back to the Budget Committee. The Budget Committee will have discussions in future meetings on ideas for the \$7 million Covid Block Grant funds.

Associated Students Recognition

We are proud to share that two of our Associated Student Representatives were accepted to several prestigious colleges including Bowdoin College, multiple UCs, Cal Poly Pomona, Stanford and Yale.

Their dedication and leadership inspire us. Congratulations Sameer Wason and David Duncan!

V. Adjournment: 3:55 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.