



Santa Monica Community College District

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

MEETING MINUTES – September 16, 2026

A Meeting of the Budget Planning Subcommittee will be held Wednesday, September 16, 2026 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/87373203722>

I. Call to Order 2:07 pm

Members:

- Mitch Heskell, District Representative (Absent)
- Chris Bonvenuto, District Representative, Co-Chair
- Tania Acosta, District Representative
- Tracie Hunter, District Representative
- Vicenta Arrizon, Academic Senate Representative
- Aileen Huang, Academic Senate Representative
- Matt Hotsinpillar, FA Representative, Co-Chair
- Peter Morse, Faculty Association Representative
- Martha Romano, CSEA Rep (Absent)
- Kennisha Green, CSEA Rep (Absent)
- Dagmar Gorman, CSEA Representative
- Cindy Ordaz, CSEA Representative
- David Dagne, Associated Student Representative
- Vacant, Associated Student Representative
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Interested Parties in attendance: Elaine Roque, Diana Askew, John Linke, Elisa Meyer, Chante DeLoach, Karen Monzon

II. Public Comments

III. **Approval of Minutes:** September 2, 2026 Motion: Dagmar Gorman Seconded: Tracie Hunter
AYES: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0 Minutes were approved.

IV. Reports/Discussion

1. SMC Foundation \$1 million Donation Update, Jason Beardsley, Vice President, Academic Affairs gave the Committee and update. The committee requested additional information regarding the specific Discipline and Modality (On Ground and Online) of the courses offered.
2. Staffing Plan – HR, Vendor/Consultant Selection Update
Dr. Tre'Shawn Hall-Baker, Vice President, Human Resources gave the following update: HR met with Nyla Cotton, Director, PCAL. The Procurement department is in the initial stages of updating the proposal with the consultant. Kennedy & Company is the consultant that will be hired to develop a comprehensive staffing plan for the District. The timeline and dates for deliverables will be shared at a future meeting.
3. Fiscal Services Update
Chris Bonvenuto shared that due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, DPAC has moved up their meeting to November 18, 2026, therefore the Budget Committee will not have its regular meeting.

V. Adjournment: 3:06

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.