

Academic Senate Meeting Summary for November 6, 2025

Voting Members					
Senate President	Lisa Hooper	X	Business Senator	Gary Quire	X
Vice President	Garrett Rieck	X	Learning Resources Senator	Jennifer Thompson	X
Curriculum Chair	Tricia George	X	Personal & Professional Learning Senator	Garrett Rieck	X
Policy Review Chair	<i>Tricia George proxy for Gary Collis</i>	X	Public Safety	Jessica Crowley	X
Communications Officer	Erica Seubert	X	At Large Senator	Alene Terzian-Zeitounian	X
AT Senator	Regina Blasberg	X	At Large Senator	Erin Delaney	X
MSHP-MSE Senator	<i>Shane Ramey proxy for Thomas Gisel</i>	X	At Large Senator	Rebecca Shepherd	X
MSHP-HPPS Senator	Lak Dhillon	X	At Large Senator	Shane Ramey	X
VAPA Senator	David Brill	X	At Large Senator	Alexandra Dimakos	X
Student Services Senator	<i>Ann Marchesann proxy for Jesse Vera</i>	X	Adjunct Senator	Todd Fatta	X
Humanities Senator	Mike Harutunian	X	Adjunct Senator	Lauren Rome	X
Kinesiology/Athletics Senator	Kathrina Almero-Fabros	X	Adjunct Senator	<i>Lauren Rome proxy for Linda Beauregard-Vasquez</i>	X
SBS Senator	<i>Rebecca Shepherd proxy for Jennifer Paris</i>	X	X= Present	A= Absent	

Non-voting Members			
Dr. Thea Alvarado (Interim, CIO)	X	Jennifer Brezina	X
Marilyn Jimenez	X	Jason Burgdorfer (COCFA President)	X
Dan Portillo (AFT President) <i>Via Zoom</i>	X	ASG Student Representative: Sanjana Sudhir (Student Trustee)	A

Guest							
April Marin	X	Dustin Silva	X	Paul Wickline	X	Siane Holland	X
Cassidy Butow	X	Joy Shoemate	X	Preeta Saxena	X	Sonny Requejo	X
Connie Palazzolo	X	Julie Johnson	X	Robert Wonser	X	Susan Ling	X
Cristal Boring	X	Kimberly Thanaet	X	Ruth Rassool	X	Victoria Leonard	X
Daylene Meuschke	X	Lisette Godinez	X	Sara Breshears	X	Yasmine Soltero	X
Dianne Avery	X	Michael Felix	X	Scott McAfee	X		
Dilek Sanver-Wang	X	Michael Monsour	X	Sharlene Johnson	X		

A. Routine Matters

1. Call to order: 3:02pm
2. Public Comment:

- I. Some office lights in the Don Takeda Science Center and UCEN are not working well. UCEN classroom screens not working well in some classrooms. A suggestion was made to put a camera on the stairwell on the 4th floor of Bonelli Hall. There are concerns with the inability to lock the doors from the inside in Hasley Hall and doors that randomly unlock in TWSH. There was a suggestion to have someone attend and explain to the Senate what is happening with the buildings.
 - II. **Special thanks** to the CCC janitorial staff for doing an amazing job and patching up water leaks.
 - III. **CCC Star Party:** Event had a great turn out and it is recommended for all to attend.
 - IV. **Cul-de-sac Literacy Arts Magazine:** Dr. Alene Terzian's shared that her students won 2nd place for the *Cul-de-sac Literacy Arts Magazine* out of nine states. Students won the *Pacific Western Division* and the *Community College Humanities Association Literacy Magazine Competitions*. The students won 5 individual awards.
3. Approval of the Agenda:
- I. **Motion** to approve the agenda by Regina Blasberg, seconded by Todd Fatta. **Tricia George proxy for Gary Collis (yes, vote).** **Shane Ramey proxy for Thomas Gisel (yes, vote).** **Lauren Rome proxy for Linda Beauregard-Vasquez (yes, vote).** **Rebecca Shepherd proxy for Jennifer Paris (abstention, vote).** **Ann Marchesan substitute for Jesse Vera (yes, vote).** Unanimous. Approved
4. Committee Appointments:
- I. Hiring committee list (pg. 3)
5. Sub-Committee Summaries:
- I. Program Viability committee meeting summary, October 23, 2025 (pg. 9-11)
 - II. Senate Executive committee meeting summary, October 30, 2025 (pg. 12-14)
6. Approval of the Consent Calendar
- I. **Motion** to approve the consent calendar by Garrett Rieck, seconded by Lauren Rome. **Tricia George proxy for Gary Collis (yes, vote).** **Shane Ramey proxy for Thomas Gisel (yes, vote).** **Lauren Rome proxy for Linda Beauregard-Vasquez (yes, vote).** **Rebecca Shepherd proxy for Jennifer Paris (abstention vote).** **Ann Marchesan substitute for Jesse Vera (yes, vote).** Unanimous. Approved

Academic Senate Meeting Summary, October 23, 2025 (pg. 4-8)	Curriculum Committee Summary, October 16, 2025
Senate Election Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dept. Chair 2nd Round Nomination Results (pg. 15-17) 	New Senator for the School of KPEA, Kathrina Almero-Fabros (<i>for remaining of term until 6/30/2026</i>)

B. Reports

These are informational items no discussion or action will be taken. However, clarification questions are welcomed.

1. Academic Integrity, Shane Ramey (pg. 18-22)
 - I. Jennifer Overdevest from VAPA recently joined the committee. The committee has discussed the *Faculty Guide* and an *Academic Senate Statement on Artificial Intelligence Education*. Ruth Rasool also attended an ASG Meeting. The committee has drafted and submitted to the Senate the *Academic Freedom of Faculty use of AI in Grading and Feedback* statement which will be on a future meeting this academic year. There is another document that is being reviewed which was authored by Adam Kaiserman on *How to Foster Academic Integrity at COC in an age of (AI)*. AI is impacting lecture-based courses the most. There has been some communication with the Student Conduct Committee on data gathering. Dr. Jasmine Ruys will attend the next meeting to discuss student conduct policies and may be able to report on what that data demonstrates.
2. [Guided Pathways \(GP\) Liaison Report](#), Susan Ling
 - I. This is Susan's second year as the GP liaison, and she also sits on Curriculum Committee. There are major changes with the new CALGETC form. There is also a new local GE. Counseling created a cheat sheet for Comon Course Numbering (CCN). There is a phase 1, 2A, 2B and 3. Much of the work happened more than a year ago. Hannah Peterson is the current Program Mapper software

developer. There were some delays as Hannah needed to update 379 maps. When faculty propose new classes they must connect with Tricia and Patrick and complete a new course documentation form. The new CourseDog software integrates into Program Mapper as Elumen did not integrate.

3. Academic Senate Presidents Report, Lisa

- I. **Special thanks** to Cyndi Trudeau for her willingness to be trained in how to run the Senate meetings for agreeing to serve as a back-up for Marilyn.
- II. **Professional Development:** Lisa has talked to Julie and Robert with CETL to develop a self-paced online training course that infuses areas of focus locally, like Academic integrity and Artificial Intelligence, for faculty to complete annually to maintain academic standards. The hope is to present a vision in the spring.
- III. **Adjunct Advisory Townhall:** This event will be held this evening from 5:30 pm– 7:00pm.
- IV. **ASCCC FA 25 Plenary:** Lisa will attend the ASCCC Plenary FA25. Jesse Vera and Garrett Rieck reviewed the resolutions packet and provided feedback.

4. Vice President Report, Garrett Rieck

- I. **ASCCC Non-credit regional meetings:** Garrett presented for 2 hours. There is Interest from the state to see the COC non-credit curriculum. Some CCC's have no non-credit while others were struggling to get started. Garrett will present at 6 other colleges. The biggest issue is to get credit faculty to buy into non-credit and continue to do work.
- II. **ASCCC Credit regional meetings:** The meeting covered focused on CALGETC, CCN and MQ's.

C. Action Items

Below is a list of items that the Senate will take action on. Discussion is welcomed by all attendees.

1. [Student Equity and Achievement \(SEA\) Plan 2025-28](#), Dr. Preeta Saxena & Dr. Daylene Mueschke
 - I. [College of the Canyons Student Equity and Achievement Plan Website](#)
 - II. [Student Equity | California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office Website](#)
 - a. Data for first time college students were shared. The data shows persistence and prioritization in certain groups. The same students are still showing up as facing gaps. The next 3-year cycle will prioritize groups for black/ African American, first gen and males. There are two goals, goal #1, substantial elimination and goal #2, full closing of equity gaps. The senate is seeking to recognize goals and there is no consequence to the choice. There was a request for medical programs to also be reviewed. The goals are set by the state.
 - o **Motion** to endorse the plan of the Student Equity and Achievement (SEA) plan for 2025-28 goals by Regina Blasberg, seconded by Rebecca Shepherd. **Tricia George proxy for Gary Collis (yes, vote). Shane Ramey proxy for Thomas Gisel (yes, vote). Lauren Rome proxy for Linda Beauregard-Vasquez (yes, vote). Rebecca Shepherd proxy for Jennifer Paris (yes, vote). Ann Marchesan proxy for Jesse Vera (yes, vote).** Unanimous.
Approved
2. Vote of No Confidence Resolution, Lisa Hooper (pg. 23-24)
 - I. **Motion** to approve the Vote of No Confidence by Erica Seubert, seconded by Shane Rame. No Vote from **Mike Harutuian. Tricia George proxy for Gary Collis (yes, vote). Shane Ramey proxy for Thomas Gisel (yes, vote). Lauren Rome proxy for Linda Beauregard-Vasquez (yes, vote). Rebecca Shepherd proxy for Jennifer Paris (yes, vote). Ann Marchesan proxy for Jesse Vera (yes, vote).**
Approved

D. Discussion

Below are items that the Senate will discuss and no action will be taken. Discussion is welcomed by all attendees.

1. Office Furniture, April Marin and Sharlene Nguyen
 - I. April Marin and Sharlene Nguyen provided an overview of the process for ordering new district faculty furniture. This includes design principles and how to get an evaluation of existing furniture. All district furniture needs to be functional, ADA compliant, Fire Code and OSHA

approved and ergonomically correct. Setting up offices with no backs to the door can be challenging when offices are small. New buildings will be constructed with modern office design principles in mind. An idea was suggested to bring the new educational planning principles through the shared governance model.

2. Updated ADA Title II regulations, Scott McAfee
 - I. New Federal Accessibility Requirements for Online Courses (pg. 25-27)
 - II. WCAG 2.1 Level AA Compliance: Outreach, Information and Training Schedule (pg. 28-33)
 - a. By April of 2026 all synchronous meetings must provide encaption. Zoom currently provides auto captioning as well. Scott will be training all in executive cabinet. Scott will send an informative email including the training schedule. There will be retreats during FLEX week and 3 training sessions a month over the next 3 months.
3. Proposed revisions to the Faculty Evaluation Instrument, Lisa Hooper
 - I. [Full-Time Faculty Professional and Instructional Evaluation](#) (pg. 34-37)
 - a. **Modality Button:** The modality drop down menu should list all modalities. If a course is offered in hybrid format the evaluator decides if they are visiting in person or online but cannot do both. Some courses offer lectures online and this is not included in the contract.
 - b. **Rating “3”:** There is concern with the term “may” if there is no room for growth. The sentence may go too far with “meets the standard”. Suggestion is to do “and/or” reformulated to be changed and added.
 - c. **Rating “0”:** This is the aggregate scores. No one evaluation that would trigger a remediation plan. No evidence of standards is like N/A. This does not mean there is no evidence just that an evaluator did not observe it.
 - d. **Section A.:** The last sentence communicates cultural competency. The reason for all the wording is that this is guiding. The concern from COCFA is that the district is not guiding as the district does not provide the training. There is concern with not being able to observe 7 days of someone’s mixed modality format of a class. One 50-minute session would limit the evaluator’s ability observe many of the suggestions offered.
 - e. **Section B:** The suggestion is to remove “student needs” and instead have it read as “lesson objectives are appropriate...”, as only one discipline expert is completing the evaluation. The first and second sentences are repetitive. Few faculty evaluators will review the COR.
 - f. **Section F:** Add that they need to be “relevant to the course” or accessible and regularly communicated to the student.
 - g. **Section C:** It was suggested that the evaluator review the syllabus for the class they are observing. Add language for “evidence of regular and substantive interaction”.
 - h. **Section D:** Use “attainment” of learning objectives as “mastery” is a very high standard.
 - i. **Section E.** “Uses a variety of tools/methods to engage different learning styles and create an interactive learning environment.”
 - j. Lisa will work on the self-reflection instrument and will forward to the Senators edits for review and feedback.
 - II. [New Guide for Self-Evaluation Tenured and Tenured Track Faculty](#) (pg. 46-47)
 - o Current Guide to Self-Evaluation Tenure and Tenure-Track Faculty (pg. 48)
 - o Current Classroom Visitation Report (pg. 38-41)
 - o Online and Hybrid Visitation Report (pg. 42-45)

4. Unfinished Business

Below is a list of items that can be discussed for a future date.

1. IRC Discussion - Automated Book Adoptions
2. Web Design/Senate Sub-Committee pages update
3. Statement on Faculty Use of Artificial Intelligence in Grading and Feedback

5. New Future Business

Request to place an item for a future agenda is welcomed. Below is a list of topics that will be discussed at a future

business date.

1. Tenure Committee Training Workshops
2. Department Chair Training Series Schedule

3. Announcements

- Next Academic Senate Meeting Dates Fall 2025: Nov. 20th; Dec. 11th; Spring 2026: Feb. 12th, Feb. 26th, March 12th, March 26th, April 16th, April 30th, May 14th & May 28th
- [2026 ASCCC Spring Plenary](#), April 9th – 11th, Hyatt Regency, Santa Rosa, CA.
- [2026 Faculty Leadership Institute](#), June 11th – 13th, Hyatt Regency, Long Beach, CA.
- [2026 Curriculum Institute](#), July 15th – 18th, Sacramento Convention Center

4. Adjournment: 5:05pm.

The teleconference is accessible through the following link:

<https://canyonsonline.zoom.us/j/89329119195?pwd=SO5MtcK0ZJc0POgaPLiLvVaG05boE8.1>

Please note:

This meeting will be broadcasted at the following locations via zoom

None