

Academic Senate Meeting Summary for March 27, 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	Gary Collis	X	Personal & Professional Learning Senator	Garrett Rieck	X
Policy Review Chair	Gary Collis	X	Public Safety	VACANT	
Communications Officer	Erica Seubert	X	At Large Senator	Sab Matsumoto	X
AT Senator	<i>Claudenice McCalister interim for Regina Blasberg</i>	X	At Large Senator	<i>Shane Ramey proxy for Michelle LaBrie</i>	X
MSHP-MSE Senator	Thomas Gisel	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	Nadia Monosov	X
Student Services Senator	Jesse Vera	X	Adjunct Senator	Todd Fatta	X
Humanities Senator	Mike Harutunian	X	Adjunct Senator	Lauren Rome	X
Kinesiology/Athletics Senator	Garrett Rieck proxy for Leora Gabay	X	Adjunct Senator	Linda Beauregard-Vasquez	X
SBS Senator	Jennifer Paris	X	X= Present	A= Absent	

Non-voting Members			
Dr. Thea Alvarado (Interim, CIO)	A	Jennifer Brezina	X
Marilyn Jimenez	X	Jason Burgdorfer (COCFA President)	X
Dan Portillo (AFT President)	A	ASG Student Representative Jesus Martinez (VP of ASG) (via Zoom) & Sanjana Sudhir (Student Trustee)	X

Guest							
Alexa Dimakos	X	Dianne Avery	X	Erin Barnthouse	X	Paul Wickline	X
Ambika Silva	X	Dilek Sanver-Wang	X	Erin Delaney	X	Siane Holland	X
Anzhela Grigoryan	X	Dr. Edel Alonso	X	Dr. Jasmine Ruys	X	Jeremy Patrich	X
Clinton Slaughter	X	Dustin Silva	X	Jennifer Smolos-Steele	X		
Dr. Daylene Meuschke	X	Eric Smith	X	Maral Markarian	X		

A. Routine Matters

1. Call to order: 3:04 pm.
2. Public Comment:
 - An upcoming event hosted by the CCCO titled, *"The Warriors Burden; The Truth About Veterans' Transition into the Civilian World"* on March 27, 2025. It can be a challenge to transition from military to the army. Jesse Vera will send the link to Erica.
 - Sab Matsumoto shared thoughts on Charlie Johnson. Charlie worked on changes brought on

- by AB 405 and AB 1705, ISP and serve as Dept. Chair. The Senate will recognize Charlie.
 - Mike Harutunian received a parking ticket on campus. Mike shared he went to the Campus Safety Office and shared concerns regarding being directed to an outside company website. Lisa will follow up with Campus Safety.
 - The Early Childhood Education (ECE) will be hosting “A Day for Children” to Celebrate the week of the Young Child on Saturday, April 5th in the honor grove. ECE is also accepting donations.
3. Approval of the Agenda:
 - The President’s report was moved to the end of the agenda.
 - **Motion** to approve the agenda with the modification by Todd Fatta, seconded by Mike Harutunian. Garrett Rieck proxy for Loera Gabay (yes, vote). Shane Ramey proxy for Michelle LaBrie (yes, vote). Unanimous. Approved.
 4. Committee Appointments:
 - Lisa Hooper & Juan Renteria, Adjunct Faculty, Hiring Committee
 5. Sub-Committee Summaries:
 - Program Viability Committee meeting summary, February 20, 2025 (pg. 8-11)
 - PV summaries will come through for information.
 6. Approval of the Consent Calendar:
 - **Motion** to approve the agenda by Gary Quire, seconded by Tom Gisel. Garrett Rieck proxy for Loera Gabay (yes, vote). Shane Ramey proxy for Michelle LaBrie (yes, vote). Unanimous. Approved.

Academic Senate Summary, March 13, 2025 (pg. 3-7)	Senate Election Nominations Results
Curriculum Committee Summary , March 20, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Karl Stripe, Dept. Chair for Political Science Nomination results (pg. 12)

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B. Reports

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

1. [Legislative Update Report](#), Jesse Vera
 - Jesse provided a [Legislative Updates SP2025](#) slide and shared a list of state, US and Education committee members and legislatures. The report emphasized a possible delay from the state with collecting property taxes due to the recent LA fires. Jesse also brought attention to bills affecting local community colleges such as SB 98 and AB 965. Jesse encourages all to advocate on the bills. Special thanks to Wendy Brill for all her help with her work with legislation.
2. [Artificial Intelligence \(AI\) Conference Report](#), Shane Ramey
 - AI assisted in drafting the report. The state chancellor’s office and ASCCC are onboard with integrating AI education. Much emphasis at the conference was on AI literacy for faculty and students. The AI Committee will bring forward an AI statement to the Senate on April 17th. There was an AI statement that was approved 2 years by the Senate. Faculty need to establish where they stand with the use of AI and communicate that to their students. This can be an academic freedom issue, as students may enroll in classes with faculty who allow more use of AI. Jesus with ASG will connect with Shane on the student perspective of AI.
3. Academic Senate Communications Officer Report, Erica Seubert
 - As of last Friday, there is now an official academicsenatecommunications@canyons.edu email. Erica will be using that email address for communication. Faculty can also send emails to this address.
4. Academic Senate Vice President Report, Garrett Rieck

- Faculty Awards email has been sent. There is one Senate meeting before the deadline, the final deadline of April 18th. Those who want to submit a nomination are encouraged to do so soon.
5. Academic Senate Presidents Report, Lisa Hooper
- This report was moved to the end of the agenda.
 - **Legislative Update:** Many areas in legislation were discussed at the ASCCC Area C meeting. The meeting is an opportunity for all to get together and get ready for plenary to discuss resolutions and other work. Many incentives come from the federal level; however, it is not clear how changes will impact the work at the local level.
 - **Artificial Intelligence (AI):** AI is a focal point from the Chancellors office. ASCCC has a thoughtful and deliberate approach to an adjunct to education. Many senate presidents were told to vote down any policies that support AI. AI does serve students in some way.
 - **AB 705 & AB 1705:** Lisa and Sab worked on changes brought about due to AB 1705. Faculty was unsuccessful in garnishing those efforts. LACCD finds that 8 % more students are getting through college level math but less students are transferring. Need to do some longitude data collection.
 - **Non-Credit Handbook:** fixed adaptive.
 - **Ethnic Studies:** Counselors & Curriculum Committee chairs are working on efforts to allow colleges to count ethnic studies courses at the CSU level. This would allow courses to count even if students fall off the IGETC path. If students take an Area F course, there is an effort to accept this course just for this area. At COC this is the Poli Sci 290 course. Carlos Guerrero does not think this will work but advised the district to try to negotiate this.
 - **ASCCC SP 25 Plenary:** Plenary will take place at the end of April.
 - **CCN Surveys:** The surveys are out. Participation in the surveys is important. Faculty are encouraged to look for emails from Tricia George
 - **End of the Year Collegial Celebration:** A Walk through off the ICC took place with Brandon Ashford and will be the space for the End of the Year Celebration.
 - **Bathroom Safety Concern:** Vice-President, Erin Tague has been responsive and talked about how to re vamp bathrooms until a more long-term solution is found. Lisa will meet with the Emergency Preparedness Committee next week.
 - **Seniority List:** The Seniority list will include faculty's primary assignment and office location. Once spreadsheets are merged the Senate will ensure all information is correct. The final check will take place with HR who agreed to allow the Senate to check and correct degrees in the back of the catalog that may have been changed.
 - **At-Large Senator Election:** The election for A-Large Senators concludes on Thursday, April 3rd. There are 7 people running.
 - **Thoughts on Charlie Johnson:** Special thanks to Sab for comments pm Charlie Johnson. Charlie attended a past Curriculum Committee Institute and was a very fun-loving guy. There will be a special nomination for Emeriti status for Charlie. The Math Department is developing a special scholarship in his honor.

C. Action Items

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

1. 2027-28 Academic Calendar, Dr. Jasmine Ruys (pg. 13)
 - Motion to approve the agenda by Gary Quire, seconded by Claudenice McCalister. Garrett Rieck proxy for Loera Gabay (yes, vote); Shane Ramey proxy for Michelle LaBrie (yes, vote). Unanimous. Approved.
2. Academic Senate 2025-2026 Curriculum & Senate Meeting Calendar (pg. 14)
 - Motion to approve the agenda by Erica Seubert, seconded by Dave Brill. Garrett Rieck proxy for Loera Gabay (yes, vote); Shane Ramey proxy for Michelle LaBrie (yes, vote). Unanimous.

Approved.

3. BP & AP 4025 (Philosophy and Criteria for Associate Degree and General Education), Gary Collis
 - Summary for Senate regarding the need for revisions (pg. 15)
 - BP 4025 (Philosophy and Criteria for Associate Degree and General Education) (pg. 16-17)
 - The revisions made to the policy were necessary.
 - Motion to approve the BP 4025 by Todd Fatta, seconded by Lauren Rome. Garrett Rieck proxy for Loera Gabay (yes, vote), Shane Ramey proxy for Michelle LaBrie (yes, vote). Unanimous. Approved.
 - AP 4025 (Philosophy and Criteria for Associate Degree and General Education) (pg. 18-21)
 - Motion to approve the AP 4025 by Rebecca Sheperd, seconded by Shane Ramey. Garrett Rieck proxy for Loera Gabay (yes, vote), Shane Ramey proxy for Michelle LaBrie (yes, vote). Unanimous. Approved.

D. Discussion

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

1. Fraudulent Student Update, Dr. Jasmine Ruys
 - Dr. Ruys provided an overview of the work of the Fraudulent Student taskforce. Dr. Ruys shared data on fraudulent student enrollments, and the reasons why they are targeting CCC's such as no application fee and low enrollment fee. The state along with the college have developed processes and efforts to combat the fraudulent student issue. Any faculty who has questions can reach out to their deans and or Jasmine. Suggestions or ideas can be sent via email to Jasmine.
2. BP & AP 5120 Transfer Center, Gary Collis
 - BP 5120 Transfer Center (pg. 22)
 - AP 5120 Transfer Center (pg. 23-25)
 - The AP policy details what the CCLC and law requires and that the district develops a plan to assist the students to transfer. BP requires the district to develop a transfer center in the plan. It was clarified that there is no physical space, but transfer is embedded within the counseling department.
3. BP & AP 4023 Academic Departments, Gary Collis
 - BP 4023 Academic Departments (pg. 26)
 - AP 4023 Academic Departments (pg. 27-31)
 - BP takes out the old numbering process. The AP includes clean up language. Dr. Torres deleted the "*at least three years*" to remove the timing. This aligns with the new programs and for the proposals to be on the same timeline. In Section D., sub-section #1 the language should read as "*district*" and not "*students of the college*." This item will return on the next agenda.

E. Unfinished Business

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

1. Artificial Intelligence Resolution
2. Revised Faculty Evaluation Instrument, Faculty Evaluation Taskforce
3. Facilities/Safety Considerations for Marginalized Student Populations

F. 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. Sabbatical Work Product (Archival and Presentation)
3. Adjunct Advisory Council

G. Announcements

1. Next Academic Senate Meeting Dates Spring 2025: April 17th; May 1st; May 15th & May 29th

2. [2025 ASCCC Spring Plenary](#): April 24 – 26th, Hyatt Regency, Irvine, CA.
3. [2025 ASCCC Faculty Leadership Institute](#): June 12th – 14th, Hyatt Regency, San Francisco Airport, CA.
4. [2025 ASCCC Curriculum Institute](#): July 9th- 12th, Ontario Convention Center, Ontario, CA.

H. Adjournment: 4:49 pm.

The teleconference is accessible through the following link:

<https://canyonsonline.zoom.us/j/83788078102?pwd=B3bKUsRrA4wOCQggKayblQ9r7Hqa63.1>

Please note:

This meeting will be broadcasted at the following locations via zoom

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