



COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

February 19, 2026

11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Via Zoom

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AGENDA

According to Article 6 of the By-Laws of the Academic Senate the purpose of the Executive Committee is to foster coordination among the principal subcommittee chairs of the Academic Senate, to advise the President, and the overall strategic development and planning of matters before the Academic Senate.

A. Routine Matters

1. Call to order
2. Public Comment

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the Executive Committee on any matter not on the agenda. Public questions or comments can be submitted via email at academicsenateinfo@canyons.edu or asked via zoom chat feature.

3. Approval of the Agenda

B. Consent Calendar

1. Adoption of October 30, 2025, Senate Executive Committee Summary (pg. 3-5)
2. Adoption of December 4, 2025, Senate Executive Committee Summary (pg. 6-8)

C. Reports

1. Presidents Report, Lisa Hooper
2. Vice President Report, Garrett Rieck
 - a. Exemplary Program Submission

D. Action: None

E. Discussion

1. Updates from faculty assigned to Shared Governance Project Advancement Teams: Instructional, Operational & Executive Councils
2. [Academic Senate Faculty Awards](#), Garrett Rieck
 - a. [Faculty Awards Description & Criteria Process](#)
 - b. [Academic Senate COC Standing Policy on Faculty Awards](#)

F. Future Business

1. Future Discussion Topics

G. Unfinished Business: None

H. Announcements

- Department Chair Training Series Spring 2026 to begin Feb. 20th
- Next Academic Senate Meeting Dates Spring 2026: 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
- 2026 ASCCC Non-Credit Institute, April 30th – May 1st, San Jose Marriot
- Association of Community and Continuing Education (ACCE) Conference, March 11th – March 13th, The Dana in Mission Bay in San Diego, CA.

I. Adjournment:

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COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS

ACADEMIC SENATE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

October 30, 2025
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Via Zoom

SUMMARY

According to Article 6 of the By-Laws of the Academic Senate the purpose of the Executive Committee is to foster coordination among the principal subcommittee chairs of the Academic Senate, to advise the President, and the overall strategic development and planning of matters before the Academic Senate.

Non-Voting Members:

Faculty Name	Title		Faculty Name	Title	
Lisa Hooper	Academic Senate President	X	Jason Burgdorfer	COCFA President	A
Garrett Rieck	Academic Senate Vice President	X	Dan Portillo	AFT President	A
Erica Seubert	Academic Senate Communications Officer	X			

Voting Members:

Faculty Name	Title		Faculty Name	Title	
Alisha Kaminsky	MQE	X	Jesse Vera	Legislative Liaison	X
Chase Dimock	Honors Steering Committee	A	Julie Jonhson	CETL	X
Dustin Silva	Elections Committee	X	Linda Beauregard Vasquez	Lead Adjunct Senator	A
Erik Altenbernd	Academic Staffing Committee Faculty	A	Lisa Hooper	President's Advisory Committee on the Budget Faculty	X
Erika Torgeson	Program Review Committee	X	Pamela William-Paez	Scholarly Presentation (Tentative)	A
Garrett Reick	Noncredit Liaison	X	Teresa Ciardi	Faculty Professional Development Committee	X
Lisa Hooper	Program Viability	X	Tricia George	Curriculum Committee	X
Gary Collis	Policy Review Committee	X	VACANT	College Planning Team Committee Faculty	
Regina Blasberg	Career Education Liaison	X			

Additional Voting Members:

Faculty Name	Title		Faculty Name	Title	
Shane Ramey	Academic Integrity Committee	A	Alene Terzian	Equity Minded Practitioners	X
Karyl Kicenski	Academic Freedom Committee	A			

Non-Voting Members and Guest

Faculty Name	Title		Faculty Name	Title	
Marilyn Jimenez	Academic Senate Administrative Assistant	X	Wendy Brill-Wynkoop	FACCC Member Engagement	A
Heather Mclean	ESL Instructor	X			

H. Routine Matters

1. Call to order: 11:02 am
2. Public Comment:
 - I. This meeting may not be a brown act meeting going forward. The committee will vote when

discussion faculty awards.

- II. There was an incident at the temporary Advance Technology Center where an intruder came in and stole and demolished the area while there were students there. There are many who feel the ATC should be on campus to be able to secure the space.

3. Approval of the Agenda

- I. **Motion** to approve the agenda by Lisa Hooper, seconded by Regina Blasberg. Alisha Kaminsky and Alene Terzian abstained. Approved

I. **Consent Calendar**

3. Adoption of September 18, 2025, Senate Executive Committee Summary (pg. 3-6)

- a. **Motion** to approve by Alene Terzian, seconded by Lisa Hooper. Unanimous. Approved.

J. **Reports**

1. Presidents Report, Lisa Hooper

- I. **Shared Governance Council Update:** A group has worked on the Shared Governance Council Update and the Facilities Master Plan with Gensler. Gensler did a presentation on opening day, solicited input via a poster board and an online survey which received over 600 responses. The feedback outlines concern with pedestrians, not enough signage and difficulty navigating the campus. In addition, there is concern with the half-loop street at the CCC campus, not many shaded areas, and the facilities not being in good workable conditions.
- II. **PAC B funds:** Lisa has implemented “sinking” funds for routine maintenance. This district has always relied on bond money, however, much has been spent and allocated for other things. There are some buildings that are so old that to remodel it would be financially irresponsible. The best step is to bring them down and start over.
- III. **Gensler Survey:** About 100 people have been asked to participate in the survey. On Monday, Nov. 17th at UCEN 258 there will be a presentation with Al Solano. The acting president Dr. Ruys has also been asked to attend. As of yesterday 73, RSVP with 18 FTF registered. There are more classified, and administrators who have RSVP’d. There is a need for more faculty leaders in this space. The recommendation is for all who attend to stay for the entire 4-hour session. There may be a need to do some targeted recruitment.
- IV. **Minimum Qualifications and Equivalencies (MQE):** Human Resources will be forwarding all applicants who are trying to meet MQ’s via equivalencies to Alisha Kaminsky, chair of the MQE Committee and the committee for review. If applicants are trying to meet disciplines with equivalencies they cannot be moved into a pool until Alisha reviews as this has been happening after the fact. Anyone who is screening applications for applications and not clear if an applicant meets MQ’s, there is a form.

2. Vice President Report, Garrett Rieck

- I. **ASCCC Non-Credit Regional Meeting:** This meeting was held this past Friday, Oct. 24th. This Friday, Oct. 31st COC will host the ASCCC Credit Regional meeting. Garrett was asked by ASCCC and Dr. Carlos Guerrero to give a presentation on non-credit curriculum. It may be too late to RSVP for this Friday’s. Last year the group addressed CCN and CALGET. Title 5 has changed the curriculum, and the group will adjust changes with Cultural Competency and CCN.
- II. **Faculty Office Lottery:** The lottery has concluded and as a reminder we are only doing one round in the fall and in the spring.

K. **Action:**

1. *None*

L. **Discussion**

3. Update on the Shared Governance & Project Advancement Teams, Lisa Hooper & Garrett Rieck

- a. The appointments will need to be adjusted. It is not clear if Senate leadership needs to be on the project advancement teams in the next academic year.
- b. Tricia is working on a presentation for the project advancement team. The suggestion is that if anyone serving on the project advancement teams, who cannot attend, to find a replacement

faculty member.

4. Proposed revisions to the Faculty Evaluation Instrument, Lisa Hooper

I. [Full-Time Faculty Professional and Instructional Evaluation Summary](#)

II. [New Guide for Self-Evaluation Tenured and Tenured Track Faculty](#)

- **Overview:** The initial taskforce was formed 4 years ago to infuse and develop DEIA instruments into the faculty evaluation instruments.
- **Update on the Academic Senate Discussion:** At the Academic Senate there is discussion on whether faculty should develop competencies and infused them into instruments or wait for the BOT to adopt competencies and use those to add to instruments.
- **Legal Matters:** There are some legal matters, and other districts have tried to implement this and have been sued. The Senate had discussed the legal aspect of this topic.
- **Classroom Visitation Report:** There have been some challenges with the Classroom Visitation Report, and the hope is to develop a single instrument to determine which modality a faculty member is teaching in and to ask each discipline to review and revise the curriculum.
- **COCFA Negotiations:** The next step will be to advance the evaluation instrument documents to COCFA for negotiations for inclusion in the contract.
- Originally the taskforce was looking at the whole package and what it means to be collegial and what work does a faculty member do at the college outside of the classroom.
- **How to fill out the Documents:** There is a need to include instruction on how to fill out the documents and where it they will reside.
- **Professional Development Training:** There was a request to include significant information on the tool, so faculty know what to look for. There also needs to be Professional Development. CETL could craft some annual training that is more generalized.
- **AFT Union:** The adjunct faculty are now in process of bargaining their evaluation tool. The cultural competencies are in their tool to a much higher degree than faculty. Classified and administrators also have added this to their evaluation tool.
- **Next Steps:** The suggestion is for faculty to review and provide feedback.

5. Vote of No Confidence Resolution, Lisa Hooper & Garrett Rieck (pg. 7-8)

- a. The resolution has now added the Board of Trustees clerk Darlene Trevino as officers named on the resolution for a Vote of No Confidence. The Academic Senate will be voting on the revised resolution at next week's meeting.

M. Future Business

1. Future Meeting Times/Days
2. Future Discussion Topics

N. Unfinished Business

None

G. Announcements

- a. [Next Academic Senate Meeting Dates Fall 2025:](#) Nov. 6th; Nov. 20th; Dec. 11th
- b. [2025 ASCCC Fall Curriculum Regional Meetings, Area C](#), College of the Canyons, Friday Oct. 31st
- c. [2025 ASCCC Fall Plenary](#), Nov. 6th-8th, Hyatt Regency, La Jolla, CA.
- d. [2026 ASCCC Spring Plenary](#), April 9th – 11th, Hyatt Regency Santa Rosa, CA.
- e. [2026 Faculty Leadership Institute](#), June 11th – 13th, Hyatt Regency, Long Beach, CA.
- f. [2026 Curriculum Institute](#), July 15th – 18th, Sacramento Convention Center, CA.

I. Adjournment: 11:00 a.m.



COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS

ACADEMIC SENATE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

December 4, 2025

11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Via Zoom

SUMMARY

Non-Voting Members:

Faculty Name	Title		Faculty Name	Title	
Lisa Hooper	<i>Academic Senate President</i>	X	Jason Burgdorfer	<i>COCFA President</i>	A
Garrett Rieck	<i>Academic Senate Vice President</i>	X	Dan Portillo	<i>AFT President</i>	X
Erica Seubert	<i>Academic Senate Communications Officer</i>	X			

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Dustin Silva	<i>Elections Committee</i>	X	Linda Beauregard Vasquez	<i>Lead Adjunct Senator</i>	X
Erik Altenbernd	<i>Academic Staffing Committee Faculty</i>	A	Lisa Hooper	<i>President's Advisory Committee on the Budget Faculty</i>	X
Kelly Cude	<i>Program Review Committee</i>	X	Pamela William-Paez	<i>Scholarly Presentation (Tentative)</i>	A
Garrett Reick	<i>Noncredit Liaison</i>	X	Teresa Ciardi	<i>Faculty Professional Development Committee</i>	X
Lisa Hooper	<i>Program Viability</i>	X	Tricia George	<i>Curriculum Committee</i>	X
Gary Collis	<i>Policy Review Committee</i>	X	VACANT	<i>College Planning Team Committee Faculty</i>	
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Marilyn Jimenez	<i>Academic Senate Administrative Assistant</i>	X			

O. Routine Matters

1. Call to order: 11:02 am.
2. Public Comment: none
3. Approval of the Agenda:
 - a. Motion to approve the agenda by Lisa Hooper, seconded by Linda Beauregard-Vasquez. Teresa Ciardi abstained. Approved.

P. Consent Calendar

4. Adoption of October 30, 2025, Senate Executive Committee Summary (pg. 3-5)
 - a. Meeting summary for the Oct. 30th and Dec. 4th meeting will return on the next agenda

for approval.

Q. Reports

1. Presidents Report, Lisa Hooper

- a. There have been many changes locally with leadership. There are many areas that the Senate is doing well, and the college is borrowing many areas college wide.
- b. **MQE Equivalencies:** If a faculty applicant applies via the HR recruitment process Alisha Kaminsky with the MQE Committee will review the equivalencies before the application is scanned. Individual identifying information will not be revealed.
- c. **Job Description Work Experience Requirement:** Work experience will be left up to HR to confirm. When HR Discipline memos come through, they will include the years of experience that a faculty member is required to have. There is a request to have the number of years of work experience outlined and how this determination is being made. Alisha, Gary and Lisa will be meeting with Miranda in January.
- d. **PV Policy:** This Program Viability policy will be revised.
- e. **Shared Governance Council:**
 - I. **Proposal to rename the Canyon Country Campus:** The first project came through the Operations Team. There were 4-5 proposals for the name change. The was concern shared with not having asked the Academic Senate president to weigh in. It is suggested that a rebranding or naming conventions go through the full shared governance process and include discussion with the Academic Senate, Classified Senate and the ASG bodies.
 - II. **Emphasis Health Professions and CE Programs:** The thought is that the rebranding of CCC could increase enrollment. The intent is to emphasize the Health Professions and CE programs. However, not all Health Profession and CE programs will be offered at CCC, and the ATC will be at the Valencia center. It Is not clear if there is any data that supports the idea.
 - III. **How to Communicate the name change to Students?** This may be confusing and misleading for students. There is concern with limiting the campus at CCC to only two areas. There is a need to get the word out to the community. Many students commute from AV and there is a need to have a shuttle from CCC to Valencia for those students who don't drive. There is also not much cell service or parking.
 - IV. **Some if favor for rebranding:** There are some who don't feel there is an issue with rebranding but feel this is not the time. There is a gap in getting input from faculty. There is a need for more FTES. Also need to also think about faculty who have been teaching at CCC for a long time.
 - V. **Proposed new Faculty Evaluation Instruments:** For those who have an interest the request is to discuss with the department. Some Senate representatives are not given the space to report out.
 - VI. **Adjunct Advisory Council:** The council meets on Fridays at 12:00pm. There has been some pushed back from adjuncts who don't know what is going on. Linda was asked to draft a summary; however, she was unaware this was one of her responsibilities. It was communicated to Dan Portillo that adjuncts are not getting reports from the Senate.

2. Vice President Report, Garrett Rieck

- a. Exemplary Program Submission
 - I. In the past local faculty award nominations are done in the spring to align with the ASCCC statewide Exemplary program award. The award nomination needed to go to the Senate Executive committee to approve locally. There have been some changes, and this may not work as local award nominations are done in the spring and in the fall for the state. Some feel the award nominations for

local and statewide should be kept separate as they can diminish the value of the local award. The idea is to continue with local recognition and do better at notifying colleagues of when statewide awards are soliciting nominations. It is not clear if there are multiple programs interested how these would be vetted and moved forward. Lisa will discuss with Dr. Jasmine Ruys, interim College President.

R. Action: *None*

S. Discussion

6. Shared Governance Appointments

- a. **Shared Governance Model:** The chair for Program Review Committee is called out separately on the new model. Erika Torgeson was the Program Review Committee chair but is now the interim Dean of Counseling. This was due to a result in change in leadership with Dr. Jasmine Ruys moving to interim College President and Clinton Slaughter moving to the role of acting Chief Student Services officer. Erika's position is temporary. Kelly Cude has agreed to step in for Erika Torgeson on the Program Review committee. There has been no intent to change the re-assign time.

7. Academic Senate Reassign Time

- a. 2026-27 Academic Year Memo, Lisa Hooper (pg. 6)
- b. 2021-22 Academic Year Memo (*For Reference*) (pg. 7)
 - i. The proposal is to move the re-assign time assigned to the Professional Development Committee (FPDC) and return it to the Program Review committee. In addition, the idea is to move the FPDC to CETL as a subcommittee. There was some concern from the chair of FPDC and the committee in not having discussed the decision to remove re-assign time. This position did not have re-assign time until 2020. Lisa suggested to meet and further discuss separately with Teresa Ciardi the decision to remove re-assign time from FPDC.

8. Department Chair Training Series Spring 2026, Lisa Hooper & Erica Seubert (pg. 8)

- a. This item was tabled.

T. Future Business

- 1. Future Meeting Times/Days for spring 2026
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