



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	Academic Senate President	X	Jason Burgdorfer	COCFA President	A
Garrett Rieck	Academic Senate Vice President	X	Dan Portillo	AFT President	X
Erica Seubert	Academic Senate Communications Officer	X			

Voting Members:

Faculty Name	Title		Faculty Name	Title	
Alisha Kaminsky	MQE	X	Jesse Vera	Legislative Liaison	A
Chase Dimock	Honors Steering Committee	A	Julie Jonhson	CETL	X
Dustin Silva	Elections Committee	X	Linda Beauregard Vasquez	Lead Adjunct Senator	X
Erik Altenbernd	Academic Staffing Committee Faculty	A	Lisa Hooper	President's Advisory Committee on the Budget Faculty	X
Kelly Cude	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			

A. 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.

B. Consent Calendar

1. 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.

C. 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.

D. Action: None

E. Discussion

1. 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.

2. 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.

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

- a. This item was tabled.

F. Future Business

- 1. Future Meeting Times/Days for spring 2026
- 2. Future Discussion Topics

G. Unfinished Business: None

H. Announcements

- Next Academic Senate Meeting Dates 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

I. Adjournment: 12:05 pm.

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