

# LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE

## Academic Senate Agenda – Minutes

SP26 – 3/30/26

**Present:** Adrianna Simone, Morgan Lynn, Nick Nabas, Estelle Davi, Melissa Wheeler, Randi Osburn, Haydee Lindgren, Sara Toruno-Conley, Jennifer Finnigan, Max Trujillo, Cameron Bluford, Julie Von Bergen, \*Dennis Gravert, Marci Lapriore, Lenea Pollett, and Abbey Duldulao

**Absent:** Ryan Hiscocks and Maria Hagberg

**Guests:** \*Pamela Ralston, Akilah Smith, Ryan Pedersen, Erlinda Jones, \*Christina Goff, \*Nicole Trager, Rachel Anicetti, Marie Arcidiacono Kaufman, Eric Sanchez, Michael Simpson, Irene Sukhu, Shwe Thinn, Joaquin Sagun, Taylor Jackson, Antoinette Corbin, Russell Weber, Douglas Pheix, Mannie Mangaron, and T. Rodriguez

### 1. Welcome and Introductions:

#### a) Public Comments:

- M. Lynn and N. Peck will be hosting the Rapid Response workshop, 4/1 at 4:30pm, English area.
- M. Trujillo shared Ethnic Studies Summit on 4/17 at 9:30am in Student Union.

#### b) Approval Agenda, w/ change – Approved (M/S: R. Osburn/M. Trujillo) Unanimous, 11 Votes

- To remove reassign time positions, all have been filled.

#### c) Approval Minutes, 3/9/26 w/ change – Approved (M/S: M. Lapriore/M. Trujillo) Unanimous, 12 Votes

- Change spelling, Course Dog under Curriculum Committee, Phase 3 on eLumen.

### 2. Reports:

#### d) ASC President's Announcement:

- Nexus Group: Simone shared Nexus Cohort will be stopping by today to join the meeting.
- Best Practices #2: Simone shared information on #2, Degree and Certificate Requirements. Any new certificate or program must come through from Senate for review and approval.
- Accessibility: Accessibility is due on April 24th when sharing documents on website. J. Von Bergen shared it only applies to institutions with more than 50K employees. Simone will follow up and get back to the group. Simone advised all to continue as instructed.
- Classified Professionals: Classified Employees across the district will continue to hold solidarity breaks from 10:15am – 10:30am, LMC will hold in front of Student Services building. All were encouraged, if available to join classified employees during their breaks.
- At-Large Positions: All at-large positions will be removed from agenda until FA26 meetings.
- FSCC and DGC: No update from FSCC and DGC, April meeting is next week.
- AI Article: AI article, "IEEE AI Helps Scientists but Hurts Science" shared by Math PT faculty, Shaw Matthews; all encouraged to read.
- Conferences: Simone encouraged all to apply for funding if interested in attending listed conferences. Non-Credit Institute dates, change to Apr 30th to May 2nd.
- Curriculum Institute: A. Smith confirmed that LMC will be sending a large group of faculty (doing curriculum related work) in summer to Curriculum Institute, funding via V.P. of Instruction's office.
- Study Abroad: The Study Abroad deadline has been extended to April 6th.
- Committee Seats: M. Lynn encouraged all or share open committee seats especially CC seats.

- b) College Administration: Accreditation, R. Pedersen – ACCJC ISER 2027 Standard 2  
R. Pedersen showed Accreditation website, feedback process and results from 2.1 to 2.3.  
Full narratives will come through for first, second read, and more feedback in FA26.  
Pedersen asked all to continue to fill out feedback form for any missing items and minor changes.  
Next Standard for feedback are 2.4 to 2.6, Pedersen gave a brief summary for this section and highlighted ACCJC wants to make sure we are putting things in practice making sure students are learning at an equitable level whether in person or in distance education.
- c) Committee Report Outs:  
Standing Committees, CC and SGC:  
Curriculum Committee: C. Goff will bring more information at the next meeting regarding Title 5 requirements on integrating process, CC is looking at DEIB and universal design on learning. CC is really in need of CTE representatives, CC is receiving a lot of CTE courses. Senators to share in their area, courses authors are requested to attend CC meetings for questions CC may have.  
SGC – M. Trujillo shared SGC sub-committee, discussed suggested SGC facilitator/chair model and proposed new meeting time. Sub-committee has not been brought forward to SGC yet, still being discussed in sub-committee this week. SGC moved for EEO to be an advisory committee for the next pilot year, to meet twice a semester and as needed. A. Duldulao shared EEO is still in discussion of recommended new meeting time. E. Sanchez highlighted the agenda today for budget and planning committee development.  
Rotating Committees: IDEA and Sustainability not available to come in person to report out.
- d) SP 26 Election: LMC Academic Senate President FA26-SP28 Presentation – Adrianna Simone  
A. Simone read her submitted candidacy statement to everyone. Statement posted on website and in everyone's packet today. Simone replied to a question that she is the only candidate who applied. Simone added, going through the Academic Senate archives gave her inspiration and hope that we can continue to work through hard times and budget obstacles. Simone feels better prepared to take on solely another two full years as Academic Senate President.  
- Simone shared information about the election and online voting process.

The Nexus group entered the room to participate in part of the meeting. Nexus faculty introduced themselves to the group. M.A. Kaufman, Nexus Facilitator and Nexus Faculty, A. Corbin, T. Jackson, D. Pheix, R.Weber, M. Mangaron, and T. Rodriguez.

### **3. Consent: Graduation Marshall (Retired, Upcoming Retiree or New Tenured Faculty)**

**Senate voted anonymously via paper ballot and A. Duldulao tallied for results.**

**- Votes: 7 for J. Finnigan and 5 for L. Giambattista. J. Finnigan for Grand Marshall.**

### **4. Consent: Academic Senate Rep FA26-SP28 Ethnic Studies – Taylor Jackson**

**Motion to approve Taylor Jackson for ASC Ethnic Studies and Social Justice Rep to replace Max Trujillo.**

**– Approved (M/S: M. Lapriore/N. Nabas) Unanimous, 12 Votes**

## 5. Second Reading:

a) DE Position Paper: A. Simone shared the document shown has original text with strike-out edits made by DE committee. No suggested edits from ASC on this document. E. Jones shared changes and what was kept in the document. Document without strike out was on First Read.

- **Motion to approve DE Position Paper as it stands:**

- **Approved (M/S: R. Osburn/M. Trujillo) Unanimous, 12 Votes**

- DE committee wants to keep Appendices in the document. Will inform Senate about changes.

- Discussions were around AI related to DE, district AI Task Force and Appendices'.

b) 4CD Equivalency Process for Non-Master's degree:

c) 4CD Equivalency Process for Master's degree:

**Motion to approve item 5a and 5b - (M/S: M. Lapriore/M. Trujillo), No voting done.**

**Lapriore and Trujillo rescinded their motions. Documents to go into third read.**

- Simone reached out to FSCC to share concerns from Math department, John Dean, DVC's Academic Senate President reached out to the district and their response is, "the existing language is indeed to remain the same." John Dean reached out to district HR and has not heard back from them yet for further information whether a department chair can be an equivalency committee member or not. J. Von Bergen has concerns for small program not having a department chair be part of equivalency committee. Simone shared reaching out to other departments in difference 4CD colleges to support the need for the area.

- It was suggested to place all colleges' calendars be aligned with one another.

- Simone will bring it up to FSCC, noted DVC already voted and to send her feedback if any.

## 6. First Reading: ASCCC Plenary Topics – Senate's Preferred Votes

- J. Von Bergen shared Math's feedback, 1) Math's support, 2) changing the minimum qualifications to restrict faculty with master's in math education and to have 18 graduate units of mathematics specifically excluding high school teachers who have masters in math education and any math education specialists. It's 112.02 disciplines list and 18 special units.

- Simone shared other disciplines' changes and asked for feedback before next Saturday.

## 7. Discussion:

a) Budget and Planning Committee Development: E. Sanches shared discussion topics in SGC: 1) to have a split charge; budget and planning, the budget would report in transparency to the President's office, 2) no formal proposal was brought forward, 3) to have a task group to plan the proposal built, 4) gathering input and input from Senate, 5) constituency members, 6) SGC would handle operations and budget would handle RAP and other budget related items.

Feedback: 1) why report to the President and skip reporting to SGC, 2) why another planning committee when we already have a planning committee, 3) transparency, to list our pros and cons, 4) what is the advantages of moving to our new format. Send feedback to Eric or Max.

b) Academic Senate Canvas Page: Simone shared an idea to have an Academic Senate Canvas where all materials and trainings would be. GE & CC would have a page, TLC resources and any of these committees can access. This would house all our infrastructure documents. Suggested to be mindful, tracking who has access to avoid lost or misplaced docs. To have a facilitator.

c) GB Resolution for Reduction, Classified Professionals:

M. Simpson shared the new GB resolutions presented March 13th meeting and shared specific classified positions. The resolution passed. Saturday, March 14th, notices went out to 118 classified professionals district-wide who may be impacted. April 14th is the deadline which option to choose, bump to a position or get laid off. Asked to join Local 1 break tomorrow at 10:15am.

**Unanimously voted to extend the meeting by 5 more minutes.**

- d) Celebrating Jack Kent Cooke Semi-Finalists: Self-Introduction and ASC Certificate Ceremony  
Joaquin Sagun, Business Administration major introduced himself and thanked everyone at LMC.  
Shwe Yee Thinn, Biology major introduced herself and thanked all her Professors at LMC.  
Alexandra Fierros, not present in the room.  
M. Lynn congratulated Shwe Thinn and Joaquin Sagun, presenting both with ASC Certificates.

**8. Upcoming:** Items are listed on the agenda as information.

**9. Adjournment: 5:06pm**