

LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE

GE Meeting Minutes

Date: November 12, 2025

Time: 1:00pm-2:25pm

Location: CC2-223/Zoom location: <https://4cd.zoom.us/j/86920639615>

Voting Members Present: Adrianna Simone (GE Chair); Haydee Lindgren (Counseling); Robert (Bob) Moore (Physics); Cindy McGrath (Journalism); Sara Toruno-Conley (English Faculty); Matt Escajeda (Math); David Hlusak (Social Sciences)

Voting Members Joining Remotely: None.

Non-Voting Members: Imelda Lares (Admissions and Records); Michele Laruta (Note Taker-OOI); Rikki Hall (Admissions and Records)

Guests: Dr. A'kilah Smith

Absent: Connie Konsavage (Admissions and Records); Nicole Trager (Dean of Math and Sciences); Nila Adina (Articulation Officer); Natalya Marroquin (Student Member); Diana Gutierrez

Meeting Called to Order: 1:06pm

1. Welcome, Public Comments, and Announcements (3 mins)

- The meeting began with a discussion about edits to the minutes from 10.22.25, including corrections to names like Dr. Adrianna instead of Dr. Simone and Sara"n" vs. Sara. Sara then announced that the DE Committee is seeking a new Distance Education coordinator to co-coordinate with Erlinda Jones starting in fall 2026.
- The group also discussed block scheduling and student feedback collection methods, with plans to collaborate with counseling and academic departments.
- *Standing Item:* Approve tele-conference waiver (2 per year per committee) (Action): None

2. Agenda/Minutes: Additions, Deletions, and Revisions (7 mins) (Action)

- GE Agenda for 11/12/25 meeting: Action (M/S: Sara/Matt) 5/0/0 unanimous

- GE Minutes from 10/22/25 meeting: Action (M/S: Bob/Sara) 6/0/1 abstention, Approved with 3 edits of names: 1) Change “Dr. Adrianna” to “Dr. Simone” in item line 4. 2) Change “Sarah” to “Sara” in line item 5, and 3) Add “Bob” to Robert Moore’s name in the “Voting Members” name area.

3. Previous Business (30 mins) (Information, Discussion, Possible Action)

- GE Program Assessment: Tabled until the next meeting.

4. New Business (35 mins) (Information, Discussion, Action)

- GE Leadership: Dr. Simone discussed the need for someone to lead the GE Committee for Spring 2026 while she focuses on her Academic Senate President role. The committee discussed whether a part-time faculty could co-chair with a full-time faculty member.
- GE Area 2 Clarification and Best Practices for Area Alignment: The committee discussed a student's request to substitute a psychology statistics course from San Joaquin Delta College for LMC's statistics requirement. Matt led the discussion as the questions/discussion arose from the Math Department. Rikki clarified that at Delta, the Psych 2 class is approved for their GE math area, CSU GE Area B4, and IGETC Area 2. She also explained that LMC follows Title V best practices, which means if a course is approved by another institution's GE committee for a specific area, LMC automatically accepts it for the equivalent area. The student's psychology statistics course should automatically be accepted for Area 2 GE requirements. The committee identified that language explaining this policy was missing from the current catalog and needs to be added back.
- COOR Review with GE teams: Anthropology 001 Course Placement: Discussion about whether Anthropology 001 should be approved for Area 5 (Natural Sciences) in addition to its current placement in Area 4. Rikki noted that Anthro 001 is currently approved under Social and Behavioral Sciences (Area 4) but is CID approved for CalGETC 5B under Biological Sciences. Many other community colleges have approved it for natural sciences. Bob expressed a desire to review the course content before approving it for natural sciences. The committee will review the course when it comes to the curriculum process to determine whether it should be added to Area 5. GE teams then broke into their areas to review additional courses that were in the GE stage for review.

5. Committee/Task Team Updates (10 mins) (Information): Tabled until the next meeting.

- Academic Senate
- Distance Education
- Teaching and Learning Committee
- Curriculum Committee
- Articulation
- Enrollment Strategy & Planning