



Thursday, April 22, 2021
Mt. SAC Academic Senate Meeting

Full Academic Senate Meeting:

In accordance with Mt. SAC's COVID-19 response status, and as a precaution to COVID-19, the Academic Senate meeting will take place over Zoom on Thursday April 22, 2021 from 11:15am- 1:10pm.

We ask that you register in advance for this meeting:

<https://mitsac-edu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYlfu-vqDMuEtBJ-ErFQSUYIAOtHkPEIII7>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

In attendance: Kristina Allende, Tania Anders, Gene Ano, Chris Benoe, Kari Berch, Shiloh Blacksher, John Blyzka, Melinda Bowen, Marissa Case, Elizabeth Casian, Kelly Coreas, Christine Cummings, Amrik Dua, Tim Engle, Sun Ezzell, Diana Felix, Arleen Florito, Dafna Golden, Scott Guth, Christopher Hallsted, Lance Heard, Karla Hernandez, Jennifer Hinostraza, Luisa Howell, Jason Kordich, Jenny Leung, Nicole Lewis, Diondre McBride, Mary McGuire, Lucie Melendez, Sara Mestas, Jean Metter, Elizabeta (Beta) Meyer, Dana Miho, John Miller, Donna Necke, Sarah Nichols, Bruce Nixon, Bobby Purcell, Malcolm Rickard, Eva Rios-Alvarado, Kelly Rivera, Dianne Rowley, Lani Ruh, Héctor EOPS Sanchez, Michelle Shear, Cuyler Smith, Cara Tan, Nathan Tharp, Janet Truttmann, Chisato Uyeki, Emily Versace, Becca Walker, Shelby White-Tremazi, Roger Willis, Phil Wolf, Emily Woolery

Absent: Bernie Somers, Emily Versace, Bobby Bates, Fred Kobzoff, Stephen James, Betsy Lawlor, Lisa Amos, MaryBeth Barrios, Mike Hood, Ken Miller, April Tellez, Robert Augustus

Guests: Fares Abdullah, Megan Cansino, JIANPING CAO, Andrew Chacon, Dalia Chavez, Joshua Christ, Traci Ebue, Marlene Gallarde, Mary Gomez-Angel, Maggie Ho, Carol Impara, Julie Laverty, Catherine McKee, Abraham Navarro, Serena Ott, Breanna Picano, Michelle Ravel, Diego Renteria, Francesca Rinaldi, Leonardo Rojas, William Siu, Aaron Story, Cathy Stute, Dan Wheeler

1. Opening Items

A. Call to Order

By C. Uyeki at 11:15 AM.

B. Land Acknowledgment

By S. Nichols.

C. Agenda Check

Vote 1: Motion to adopt with flexibility by L. Howell, second by P. Wolf.

Roll Call Ayes: Amrik Dua, Becca Walker, Bobby P, Cara Tan, Chris Benoe, Cuyler Smith, Dana Miho, Donna Necke, E. Rios-Alvarado, E. Casian, Emily Versace, Emily Woolery, Gene Ano, C. Cummings, Héctor Sanchez, Janet Truttmann, Jean Metter, Jenny Leung, John Miller, K. Allende, Kari Berch, Karla Hernandez, Kelly Coreas, Kelly Rivera, Lance Heard, Lani Ruh, Lucie Melendez, Luisa Howell, Malcolm Rickard, Marissa Case, Mary McGuire, Melinda Bowen, Michelle Shear, Nikki Lewis, Phil Wolf, S. Blacksher, Sara Mestas, Sarah Nichols, Scott Guth, Shelby White, Sun Ezzell, Tania Anders

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D. Public Comment

- L. Heard: Webinars at noon every weekday next week for Black Student Success Week. Mt. SAC local discussions on Tuesday at 1:30 PM (Follow the Money) and Friday at 1:30 PM (celebrating black student successes, would love to hear inspirational stories from faculty about an academic mentor). Let Lance know if you want to share at
- S. Ezzell: tomorrow is the 20th Inspired Teaching Conference 11 am-2 pm, with Jesse Stommel. Keynote, formal Q&A, solo reflection, and informal “fireside chat”. See Info/Announcements for more details.
- Chacon: Outcomes Committee is worried about a rough transition back to on campus classes for Fall. Some instructors have stated a plan to stop using Canvas, which would be a challenge for the students. Try to keep some continuity between online teaching and in person teaching for improved student success.
- T. Anders: Happy Earth Day! There are several events, including sustainability awards at 4:30 today and speakers throughout the remainder of the week. Info in the Announcements section.
- E. Versace: Sign up through POD for workshops on making your lectures more interactive.

2. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes 04.01.2021

B. Approval of Meeting Minutes 04.08.2021

C. Confirmation of Appointments: Program Learning Outcomes Liaisons for Spring 2021-Fall 2021: Christine Cummings (Arts), Maria Davis (Business), Kelly Coreas (Health and Tech), Chris Jackson (Kinesiology), Carrie Miller (Nat. Sci.), Mary Ann Gomez-Angel (Noncredit), Bernie Somers (Student Services), and CLS Ferguson (HSS)

D. Confirmation of Appointments: Student Conduct Board Members (1 year, 2021-2022): David Yost (Aircraft Maintenance), Kelly Coreas (Respiratory Therapy), Hilary Lackey (Earth Science and Astronomy), Mary Beth Barrios (Counseling), Felix Jollevet II (Geography and Political Science), David Mrofka (ESA), Ellen Straw (English), Doug Mullane (English)

E. Confirmation of Appointments: Flex Planning Committee Members: Shiloh Blacksher (Psychology) Spring 2021-2022, Beta Meyer (Biology) Spring 2021-2023

F. Confirmation of Appointment: Scholarship Committee, Cuiwen He (Chemistry), 2021-2022

G. Confirmation of Appointment: President's Advisory Council, Jean Metter (Nutrition), Spring 2021 and 2021-2024

Vote 2: Motion to approve consent agenda in full by M. Bowen. Second by B. Meyer.

Roll Call Ayes: Amrik Dua, Arleen Fiorito, Beta Meyer, Bobby P, Bruce Nixon, C. Hallsted, Cuyler Smith, Dafna Golden, Dana Miho, Diana Felix, Dianne Rowley, E. Rios-Alvarado, E. Casian, Emily Versace, Emily Woolery, C. Cummings, Héctor Sanchez, J. Hinostrroza, Janet Truttman, Jason



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Kordich, Jean Metter, Jenny Leung, John Miller, K. Allende, Kari Berch, Karla Hernandez, Kelly Coreas, Kelly Rivera, Lance Heard, Lani Ruh, Lucie Melendez, Luisa Howell, Malcolm Rickard, Marissa Case, Mary McGuire, Melinda Bowen, Michelle Shear, Nikki Lewis, Phil Wolf, S. Blacksher, Sara Mestas, Sarah Nichols, Scott Guth, Shelby White, Sun Ezzell, Tania Anders

Motion passes.

3. Report

A. President's Report

Given by C. Uyeki.

See listed appointments, consider if you would be interested in some of these positions in future. Default is three 3-year terms, but folks do not always serve 9 consecutive years.

No one from a lab science on the Faculty Advisory for Academic Support – consider filling out the interest form if this is you.

AB705: Math department is working on response to statewide movement to remove pre-transfer-level courses. Chancellor is discouraging these courses, but many math faculty feel they are important for student success.

Academic Senate will have 4 offices and 2 cubicles in the new Student Support/Instruction building.

K. Allende: Clarification: if the Chancellor doesn't like it, that doesn't mean we have to get rid of those courses – curriculum is within faculty purview. C. Uyeki: Yes, but it's good to be aware that Math is working on this and may bring to statewide senate for a larger response.

PAC: Had an expanded PAC meeting, working on Strategic Planning process. PIE planning is annual, Educational Facilities Master Plan is many many years, strategic plan would fit in between at mid-range. Strategic Plan (and any changes to mission/vision/core values statements) would come through Senate as part of shared governance. Contact C. Uyeki and/or K. Allende with input.

Board of Trustees (BoT):

- Title IX/Clery Act report: Sokha Song feels that we may still be somewhat underreported. Until we get to an environment which is free of harassment, we should make sure we have an environment in which people are comfortable reporting events.
- HVAC under COVID: OSHA recommends running at maximum air flow, which we are doing. Some buildings need more than the current max air flow, and that work is ongoing so it will be improved before those buildings are regularly occupied.
- Sustainability: Balanced Energy Solutions resolution passed
- Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI): Resolution passed declaring April as DEI month.

ASCCC statewide Plenary: C. Uyeki presented at a plenary session, K. Rivera wrote 2 resolutions and an amendment to a third, all of which passed.

Kudos and thanks to Michelle Ravel in recognition of Administrative Professionals Day.



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Tiffany Kuo (Data Coach Coordinator) and Cathy Stute (Institutional Research) here to talk about Data Coaching

- Canvas course “Becoming a Data Literate Educator”: 3 modules on data literacy, data access, and data inquiry. Select an equity-related need to examine, pull that data with help of the data coaches, and
- No raw data will be shared, no data will be section level (only course level), student identities will be secured. Info will be transmitted only via secure dropbox, not email.
- Initial info available to those who have completed ACUE or CORA training.
- See files attached to President’s report for additional info on the course and on data flow.
- E. Rios-Alvarado: How will the info be shared in a larger sense? T. Kuo: at a larger level, want to share how we are closing the equity gap using data.

4. Action Items

A. AP/BP 7211 - Minimum Qualifications and Equivalencies

K. Rivera: Facilitating.

Vote 3: C. Uyeki: Move to approve AP 7211 and BP 7211, which will proceed to AMAC and PAC. Second by S. Blacksher.

C. Uyeki: I am chair of the equivalency committee. Revisions made by that committee after reviewing what other campuses do and forwarded to Senate. Our process was out of sync with many other campuses. In an effort to avoid bias, we had created replacement equivalencies, but these were not in line with Ed Code and ASCCC recommendations – they tend to be too limiting, when we want equivalencies to be broadening in terms of who can apply.

- Modified BP would let equivalency committee report to Academic Senate and to the BoT.
- Modified AP would specify the involvement of discipline experts. Also several layers of clarification (green vs. orange edits in the document in Board Docs – green were seen in discussion before, orange ones are small additional edits).

Roll Call Ayes: Amrik Dua, Beta Meyer, Bobby P, Bruce Nixon, C. Hallsted, Cara Tan., Chris Benoe, Cuyler Smith, Dafna Golden, Dana Miho, Diana Felix, Dianne Rowley, Donna Necke, E. Rios-Alvarado, E. Casian, Emily Versace, Gene Ano, C. Cummings, Héctor Sanchez, J. Hinostroza, Janet Truttman, Jean Metter, Jenny Leung, J. Kordich, John Blyzka, John Miller, K. Allende, Kari Berch, Karla Hernandez, Kelly Coreas, Lance Heard, Lani Ruh, Lucie Melendez, Luisa Howell, Malcolm Rickard, Marissa Case, Mary McGuire, M. Bowen, Michelle Shear, Nikki Lewis, Phil Wolf, S. Blacksher, Sara Mestas, Sarah Nichols, Scott Guth, Shelby White, Sun Ezzell, Tania Anders, Tim Engle, C. Uyeki

Abstain: Emily Woolery

Motion passes with 1 abstention.

B. Social Justice AA-T Task Force

C. Uyeki: Multidisciplinary degrees belong to the senate, so this is a motion to open a task force for a multidisciplinary degree in social justice studies.



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Vote 4: Motion to approve by B. Meyer, second by P. Wolf. No debate.

Roll Call Ayes: Amrik Dua, Arleen Fiorito, Beta Meyer, Bobby P, Bruce Nixon, C. Hallsted, Cara Tan., Chris Benoe, Cuyler Smith, Dafna Golden, Dana Miho, Diana Felix, Dianne Rowley, Donna Necke, E. Rios-Alvarado, E. Casian, Emily Versace, Emily Woolery, Gene Ano, C. Cummings, Héctor Sanchez, J. Hinostroza, Janet Truttmann, Jean Metter, Jenny Leung, J. Kordich, John Blyzka, John Miller, K. Allende, Kari Berch, Karla Hernandez, Kelly Coreas, Kelly Rivera, Lance Heard, Lani Ruh, Lucie Melendez, Malcolm Rickard, Marissa Case, Mary McGuire, M. Bowen, Michelle Shear, Nikki Lewis, Phil Wolf, S. Blacksher, Sara Mestas, Sarah Nichols, Scott Guth, Shelby White, Sun Ezzell, Tania Anders, Tim Engle

Motion passes with no objections.

C. Open Nominations for Senate Executive Board Positions

Vote 5: K. Rivera move to open nominations, T. Anders second.

Roll Call Ayes: Amrik Dua, Arleen Fiorito, Beta Meyer, Bobby P, Bruce Nixon, C. Hallsted, Cara Tan., Chris Benoe, Cuyler Smith, Dana Miho, Diana Felix, E. Rios-Alvarado, E. Casian, Emily Versace, Emily Woolery, C. Cummings, J. Hinostroza, Janet Truttmann, Jean Metter, Jenny Leung, John Blyzka, John Miller, K. Allende, Kari Berch, Karla Hernandez, Kelly Coreas, Kelly Rivera, Lance Heard, Lani Ruh, Lucie Melendez, Luisa Howell, Malcolm Rickard, Marissa Case, Mary McGuire, M. Bowen, Michelle Shear, Nikki Lewis, Phil Wolf, S. Blacksher, Sara Mestas, Sarah Nichols, Scott Guth, Shelby White, Sun Ezzell, Tania Anders, Tim Engle

M. Shear: We will open nominations for VP, Secretary, and Directors. Senator-at-Large will happen afterwards, but needs to be through the portal.

B. Meyer: If you don't get elected to Director, can say you want to be considered for Sen. at Large.

C. Uyeki: You will also be voting to reconfirm the president.

M. Shear: Directors will be voted on at next full senate meeting.

Nominations:

- J. Miller: Nominate P. Wolf for director, accepted.
- K. Rivera: Nominate L. Heard for co-VP, S. Nichols for secretary, both accepted.
- M. Shear: Nominate L. Ruh as director and E. Versace for director. Both accepted.
- L. Ruh: Nominate B. Purcell for director, accepted.
- B. Meyer: Nominate M. Bowen for director, declined.
- P. Wolf: Nominate C. Tan for director, declined.
- K. Rivera: Nominate S. Mestas for director, accepted.
- T. Anders: Nominate B. Nixon for director, accepted.

C. Uyeki: Send your nomination statements to B. Meyer, M. Shear, and S. Nichols.



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Clarifications by S. Nichols and B. Meyer: Excel file containing votes will also contain names, but elections committee will check your eligibility to vote and then separately tally the votes. S. Nichols will not see the contents of the excel file.

5. Discussion Items

A. SPOT reinstatement proposal

C. Impara: SPOT recertification was 4 hours of retraining, completed within 4 years after the original training. There were a few people who missed that recertification deadline, and this would allow them additional time to catch up and they would continue on their original schedule.

C. Uyeki: Any questions? None. Please review and bring to your departments, we will vote at the next meeting.

B. Assessment and Matriculation Recommendation 56

C. Uyeki: This was sent forward by the Assessment and Matriculation committee through SPEAC. Both Math and Psychology departments are aware of this proposal and approve. This would allow PSYC majors to use PSYC 10 in lieu of MATH 110.

C. Humanities AA Task Force

C. Uyeki: Music department has 3 new courses they would like to propose adding to the AA in Humanities.

K. Allende: It is an AA degree not AA-T.

D. Dual Enrollment: Registration Considerations

C. Uyeki: This would let DE students be in line in registration priority using their courses completed in high school.

B. Meyer: Would this have any chance to injure students if they got this credit? C. Uyeki: We had input from several counselors at Exec Board and S. Mestas in wording.

B. Meyer: Would this cause problems for them because they already have several units, for if they decide to join a high transfer unit course (like sciences). None of the courses in DE are allowed to count towards the Bio major. E. Versace: I only see a benefit, in terms of being more likely to get into the courses that they need.

C. Uyeki: Please contact B. Somers with additional questions in terms of counseling and dual enrollment.

6. Senate Officer and Liaison Reports

A. Co-Vice Presidents' Report and Student Preparation Equity and Achievement Council's Report

Given by L. Heard. See minutes from SPEAC and associated committees. Fall FLEX proposals due tomorrow! Links in the report for all of the webinars and campus events for Black Student Success week.



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B. Meyer: Is there any way of tracking student registrations for extra credit purposes? L. Heard: No, have them take a photo or screenshot.

B. Legislative Liaison's Report

K. Rivera: Last week was statewide spring plenary. Attended with L. Heard, C. Uyeki, S. Nichols, and J. Christ. See the links and ask Kelly if you're interested in materials from any of those sessions.

- See links to April Rostrum article on legislation.
- Senate voted to support 3 bills in process and to oppose 2 other bills.
- Senate is bound by Brown Act – current legislation is possibly going to make it more possible for public comment and public info to be remotely access. It will take time to bring the Brown Act into the 21st century. We can't plan what Senate will look like in fall until we know what the state is going to permit.
- Our local resolutions (synchronous vs. asynchronous accounting and faculty purview for modality) were approved unanimously. Our amendment to the Guided Pathways also passed. See report for short versions (resolved only) or attached file for entire resolutions.

C. Curriculum & Instruction Council's Report

K. Allende: Written report. Minutes approved. Some new courses approved, including 3 courses from the school of continuing ed for 3 courses for a new certificate in pharmacy technician. Kudos to the school of CE for a certificate in contact tracing. First cohort has already graduated. Several students received jobs as contact tracers within days of completing their coursework.

C&I is also looking at creating a process for the curriculum cultural audit. We will also be seeing revisions to AP 4100, graduation requirements.

D. Faculty Professional Development Council's Report

Verbal report by T. Anders. Conference and Travel requests will go through Chrome River starting at the end of the month. Please see the weekly emails from POD with direct links for trainings, whether they are Mt. SAC or broader.

E. Associated Students' Report

Report given by L. Rojas: A.S. officers will be recognized at a graduation event. There are positions available on student court. Several events, including for Earth Week. A student rep is working with the DLC to meet new companies pitching proctoring software and decide on a new proctoring option.

E. Rios-Alvarado: Is there a description of the open student court positions to share with interested students? L. Rojas: Can contact him or Gio to get more info.

F. Faculty Association's Report

Report given by E. Woolery: Negotiations are ongoing, including around return to campus. Nominations are open for FA positions, contact P. Wolf (elections chair) or E. Woolery with questions or to express interest.



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Please make sure to use personal email address for contact with FA – sign up for the membership list to ensure you receive info.

See list of upcoming events and reported info, as well as board reports.

C. Cummings: Is there more info about Graduation? E. Woolery: we are still waiting for final info from Pres. Scroggins. C. Uyeki: B. Nixon and I are on the graduation committee, and will continue to bring new info back to senate as we have it.

G. CTE Liaison's Report

No report.

H. Dual Enrollment Liaison's Report

Report by P. Wolf: There is work ongoing to make another early college academy at Hacienda Unified to open Fall 2022.

R. Willis: Question, will dual enrollment instructors teaching at the high schools be required to be vaccinated? P. Wolf: I'm not sure, but that's a good question for E. Woolery to look into.

I. Noncredit Liaison's Report

Report given by D. Chavez: Supports AB 421 on using census-based attendance as credit classes do. Please also see the flyer for the ESL cooking demo.

J. Distance Learning Committee Report

Given by C. Impara: DL amendment forms – they are trying to finalize. A survey will go out to division and program chairs – please submit any remaining DL forms by May 3, 2021.

SPOT reminders – please submit early! Must submit by June 1 in order to be certified by Fall 2021. 3 faculty reviewers will be working over summer to complete certifications.

Faculty Facilitators – can help with online teaching/Canvas. Email facfac@mtsac.edu or stop by open hours.

Revised DL regulations will be coming out as of July 1, 2021. See the details in the report. It looks like if you are following the current DL guidelines, you should be good, but DLC is revising the AP to ensure compliance.

L. Ruh: Question – if they have done training through Canvas and will need SPOT recertification (but they're not up for it now), will they need to do the whole 4 hours for recertification again later? C. Impara: As long as it's completed within the 4 year window before recertification is due, that should be fine. See the table on the DLC page for more details.

7. Closing Items

A. Information and Announcements

April Rostrum, Earth Day Activities, Inspired Teaching Conference, Black Student Success Week and a zoom background to use. See written material in BoardDocs and attachments.

B. Meyer: Announcement additional reminders:



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- 4/22 (today) 4:30-5:00 pm CCEJC Sustainability Awards (see email for Zoom link; 5:00-5:40 LA Urban tree canopy, Nature and Building form- Impacts and Opportunities; 6:00-6:40 Climate Change in LA and the Urgency to Act: A look at the City of LAs Green new Deal (all same Zoom link)
- tomorrow 4/23 Anti-tobacco game night hosted by COMPADRES
- 4/24 Kepler Distinguished Lecture
- 4/27 Sustainable Fashion Guest Lecture (Instagram Live)
- Happy Earth Week!

C. Uyeki: Final reminders: Make sure to advertise nominations are open, especially for Senator at Large. Also please send info to Chisa and/or K. Allende if you want to participate in the Social Justice Task Force.

B. Adjournment

At 12:56 PM by C. Uyeki.

8. ADA Statement

A. To request reasonable disability related accommodations, please contact the Senate Secretary within at least 5 business days in advance of the event.

Respectfully submitted by S. Nichols.