

Draft Minutes – Miramar College Academic Senate

3:30-5:00pm

Apr 08, 2025

Location: M-110 and [Zoom](#)

(*See [agenda](#) for remote locations)

[Associated Documents](#)

[Meeting Slide Show](#)

Senators Present: Pablo Martin, Carmen Carrasquillo, Rodrigo Gomez, Dawn Diskin, Olivia Flores, Darren Hall, Adrian Arancibia, Alex Sanchez, Ali Gonzalez, Amy Alsup, Anne Gloag, April Koch, Brit Hyland, Channing Booth, Cyndie Gilley, Dan Smith, David Halttunen, Donnie Tran, Eloy Guerra, Julia McMenamin, Kandice Brandt, Laura Marin, Leslie Marovich, Mardi Parelman, Marian Edelbrock, Martin Gonzalez, Mary Kjartanson, Michael Lopez, Otto Dobre, Randy Claros, Scott Moller, Stefanie Johnson Shipman, Wahid Hamidy, Erin Smith, Kristen Bonwell, Mike Colafrancesco, Najah Abdelkader, Valerie Chau

Absent: Dawn DiMarzo (proxy: D. Diskin), Desi Klaar, Kevin Petti, Patty Manley, Natalie Bickett (proxy: Kristin Everhart)
*attended as a guest

Other Attendees: Josh Alley, Mara Palma-Sanft, Nessa Julian, Lisa Brewster, Juli Bartolomei

1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 3:37pm.

2. Approval of Agenda and Consent Calendar

2.1. [Meeting minutes from 3/18/25](#)

- The agenda and Consent Calendar were approved with no objections after a change to postpone item 6.3 to a future meeting and to move item 6.5 to immediately follow Public Comments. Martin also noted that the attendance list was updated on the draft minutes. [Koch/Hall]

3. Land Acknowledgment

4. Public Comments

5. Action Items (*this includes second reads*)

5.1. Modifications to A.S. Constitution & Bylaws Regarding A.S. President Employment Status – P. Martin

- Josh Alley, Election Committee Chair, announced that Rodrigo Gomez has been nominated for A.S. President. A final call was made and, hearing none, nominations were closed. Running unopposed, Gomez was announced as incoming A.S. President for the 2025-26 academic year via acclamation.

6. Discussion Items (*this includes first calls and first reads*)

6.1. Standing: Curriculum Committee Updates – Darren Hall

- Update for AB1111: Templates are being sent to Deans. Coordinate with Dean Shelly Hess.
- Curriculum Committee meeting on April 9th: Working through 54 Miramar proposals and 49 from other campuses. Due date at CIC: April 18th.

6.2. Announcing A.S. Officer Elections on 4/22/25 – Pablo Martin

- There will be a special election on April 22nd for 2025-26 A.S. Executive Committee vacancies: Secretary, Member-at-Large (Contract) and Member-at-Large (Adjunct).
- Watch for an email from the Election Committee announcing the nomination period.
- Flores plans to run for Secretary, so there will be a vacancy on the Election Committee. Contact [Martin](#) or [Carrasquillo](#) with interest.

6.3. Process Review: Request for New Resources and Adopted Budget – Brett Bell

- Postponed to a future meeting.

6.4. Student Success Journey – Lisa Brewster

- The body was asked to vote in support of the Student Success Journey document/map Lisa presented.
- ([This is the document that was presented at A.S.](#))

6.5. Student Equity Plan and Equity Report – Nessa Julian

- Presented recap of the [Equity Plan](#), gearing up for 2025-28 Equity Plan.
- Everything can be found on the [LEAD webpage](#).
- Ten people from Miramar attended the Equity Planning Workshop.
- Emphasis is on focusing on *racial* equity. See [meeting slideshow](#) for details. The full presentation is available on their [webpage](#).
- Discussion ensued.
- Sanft verified that racial equity is going to remain a priority for the State of CA, as per the State Chancellor.
- Motion to extend time by two minutes passed with no objections. [Carrasquillo/Edelbrock]
- Discussion continued.
- Watch for email from [Julian](#).

6.6. Exploring Equitable Persistence – Pablo Martin

- College Council discussed exploring the idea of “Equitable Persistence” as a possible theme.

- Discussion ensued, with some sharing concerns about what “Equitable Persistence” actually means. Some want “Making the Invisible Visible” to remain the theme.
- Share thoughts with [Martin](#) or any A.S. Exec member before the next College Council meeting (April 22nd).

7. Reports

7.1. Committee Reports

7.1.1. NA

7.2. Special Reports

7.2.1. NA

7.3. Executive Committee Reports

7.3.1. President – Pablo Martin ([State, District, Campus, and Senate Issues](#))

- There is a vacancy on the Election Committee for the rest of 2025. Contact [Martin](#) or [Carrasquillo](#) with interest.
- Those who are teaching courses this summer, see Lily Cava’s 3/26/25 email, “Summer 2025 Course Materials Request” to ensure textbook and materials information is submitted as soon as possible.
- Share any thoughts or feedback on the Student Success Committee’s ideas on how to disseminate information, as well as organize or coordinate the various efforts around college and committee goals (see [meeting slideshow](#) for details), with any A.S. Exec member.
- The Basic Needs Advisory Board needs a third faculty member. The next meeting is scheduled for Thurs, April 24, from 11-12 in N-201. Please contact [Martin](#) with interest. See their most recent report [here](#).
- The ASCCC is seeking faculty to work on Phase III of the Common Course Numbering (CCN) implementation. They will host four virtual, multi-day CCN faculty events in June, providing participants a \$150 stipend for each CCN Course Template created. Learn more, and see the specific disciplines and meeting times, [here](#). Contact [Martin](#) before April 15th.
- The District Technology Committee wants feedback on drafts. Links can be found in the [meeting slideshow](#).
- Please [share questions about the budgeting process](#) at Miramar so we can continue to populate the FAQ webpage that is being developed.
- California Community Colleges Board of Governors Call for Nominations: The ASCCC seeks nominations for two (2) faculty seats on the Board of Governors. Appointed by the Governor, selected faculty serve staggered two-year terms. All materials must be received by 11:59pm on June 30th. [Board of Governors Nomination Criteria](#); [Board of Governors Nomination Policy and Procedures](#); [2025-26 Board of Governors Announcement Letter](#).
- ASCCC Spring Plenary: Please review [resolutions under discussion](#) and share feedback with [Martin](#).
- See the [resource document](#) and [meeting slideshow](#) for updates from the [3/25/25](#) College Council meeting, as well as District and State updates and links.

7.3.2. Vice President – Carmen Carrasquillo

- Our Equity History Story: “Equity is how we live out our mission” will be on Thursday, April 10, from 12:45-2pm in L-108, no RSVP required. There will also be other opportunities to provide feedback for the 2025-28 Equity Plan.
- Emails to the DL need approval now. Five people have been identified to give approval. If an attempted email is denied, they are supposed to send an email to the sender to provide the opportunity.

7.3.3. Secretary – Rodrigo Gomez

- No report.

7.3.4. Treasurer – Dawn Diskin

- The current balance is unchanged from the last meeting.

7.3.5. Contract Member-at-Large – Olivia Flores

- Faculty attending conferences in July or Aug.
- AFT meeting at Miramar on April 10th. The AFT Ice Cream Social is April 24th from 12:30-2pm on the L-building patio.

7.3.6. Part-Time Member-at-Large – Desi Klaar

- NA

7.3.7. Chair of Chairs – Kevin Petti

- NA

8. Announcements

- Edelbrock: Looking for people to help with set-up, tear-down or to provide information during.
- Gomez: AI Day.

9. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:02pm.

The next meeting will be on Apr 22nd. Please submit agenda items to both Paul (Pablo) Martin and Juli Bartolomei.

Respectfully submitted,
Juli Bartolomei and Rodrigo Gomez