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College Council Meeting Minutes San Diego Miramar College

3/10/26 • K1-202/[Zoom](#) • 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm



Co-Chair: Wesley Lundburg, College President (non-voting)

Co-Chair: Malia Kunst, Constituency member from faculty, classified professionals, or students.

Committee Members:

Administrators (3)	Classified Professionals (3)	Faculty (3)	Students (3)
Vice President of Instructional Services: Michael Odu	Classified Senate President: Malia Kunst	Academic Senate President: Rodrigo Gomez	ASG President: Ariella O'Garro
Vice President of Student Services: Adrian Gonzales	Classified Senate Vice President: Brenda O'Connor	Academic Senate Vice President or President-Elect: Carmen Carrasquillo	Designee: Vacant
Vice President of Administrative Services: Maria Battisti	Classified Senate, Senator At-Large: Arnice Neff	Chair of Chairs: Mary Kjartanson (proxy: Carrasquillo)	Designee: David Yang

Quorum: 50% +1 of each constituency group's members (i.e., 2 per constituency group)

Guests: Daniel Miramontez, Nessa Julian, Cheryl Barnard, Michael (student), Laura P (zoom), Jen Pena, Claudia, Dan Roberts, Linda Woods (zoom),

2024-2025 Theme: *Cultivating Community: Making the invisible, visible.*

- A. **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 1:04 pm.
- B. **Permission to Record Meeting** – There was consensus to record the meeting.
- C. **Land Acknowledgement** - We recognize that San Diego Miramar College sits on the ancestral homeland of the Kumeyaay, Luiseño, Cupeño, and Cahuilla tribes, who have lived in this area for well over 10,000 years, and we honor their past, present, and future connection to this land and its inherent connection to their identity.
- D. **Approval of Agenda – Carrasquillo** made a motion to approve the [3-10-26 meeting agenda](#). Seconded by **O'Garro**. There were 11 yay votes, 0 nay votes, and 0 abstentions. The motion carried.
- E. **Approval of Minutes – Gonzales** made a motion to approve the [2-24-26 meeting minutes](#). Seconded by **Carrasquillo**. There were 11 yay votes, 0 nay votes, and 0 abstentions. The motion carried.
- F. **Public Comment** – There was no public comment.
- G. **Committee Reports/Other (2-3 minutes)**
 - **President's Report – Lundburg**, tabletop exercises for what to do with ICE. DHS on campus last week. Refer to Chancellor and Legal. Reminder. Underscores need to do tabletop exercise. First with PC, and then invite constituents in, see where we go from there. Happy to develop something for ASG too. Activity on campus in free speech area. Agenda item. Remind folks of the rules. TurningPointUSA, generated more interest and response. Done some poking around, not formally recognized as a Hate group. Hate-oriented due to some allegations. Want campus to know that we are aware of it. More attentive than normally are to ensure everyone's safety.
 - **AS Report – Gomez** shared A.S. met on 3/3. Discussed campus safety. Bring up later. Lack of

understanding on what to do in those situations. Desire for tools and trainings. Next meeting 3/17. Bringing back new tech plan and more AI stuff.

- **CS Report – Kunst**, shared that Eileen Fuerte has been appointed Secretary from now until June 1. Secretary position will be apart of normal elections process in April/May. First read of Chairitable Fund Agreement. Allows us to partner with the Foundation for fundraising. Sending folks to the Southern Gathering of the Senates on April 24th at Mesa College and to CLI in June. Planning is underway for Classified Awards Ceremony & Carnival on June 10th. Discussed the 36-hour workweek pilot. Yvonne Schmetlz from AFT was there to listen to the conversation/answer questions. Also dicussed district hiring workgroup. Next meeting on 3/17.
- **ASG Report – O’Garro**, shared that ASG held a leadership and networking event on 3/6, which was coordinated by senators Anchel and Jin. Great event. ASG prepping for resolutions. Voting in March. Busy schedule.
- **Other** – There were no other reports.

H. Old Business:

#	Item	Initiator
1	<p><i>Equity, Justice, Inclusion, and our role in moving things forward (standing item) – Any applicable updates from the LEAD Office, debrief from recent events, etc.</i> <i>Attachment: LEAD Office Updates 3-10-26; Equity Shift and Recommendations</i></p> <p>Julian shared out the LEAD monthly newsletter. Hosting tailgate on April 8th. If interest in an employee resource group, fill out the interest form. Pathways to Equity Conference in Mission Bay. Team of 8-9. Reached out to managers to finalize teams. Sending out communication and expectations. Connect equity plan to our work across institution. Lots of upcoming evnets. PEARL/AANHPI. Ramadan – mindful of our students fasting, etc. Passion Planner workshop. If you want one, let her know. BRC – sent team of students and Odu and Hester to A2MEND conference last week. Working on Black Student Success Summit and week, and Rite of Passage at City College. Dean Douglas-Chicoye is working on mentoring program. More details to come. Latinx – LaRaza. Pride – events next week. Powwow on 3/21. Volunteer meeting next week. Need a lot of help. Lots of fun. Family friendly, free parking, lots of vendors and food. Other PD from SDSU. Miramontez noted it was also Lent. Barnard noted the Lotus grant is curated to destigmatize mental health. First community circle, 7 students participated. Huge deal. Pride did one and had two. Making some progress. Carrasquillo shared out about the SDSU education leadership program, Equity Shift presentation. Dr. Tanya Gaxila Serrano, highlighted struggles for our community college students. Cross border to pursue education in US. Idea is to be thinking about these students. Could be spendign 10-12 hours a day communitng, going to classes, and working. She had some suggestions. Students might be late or miss class, faculty should be aware. Doing their best to make it to our classrooms but something to consider. Staff can create student centered resources that acknowledge specific needs. Might be showers, restrooms, lockers, or a place to rest. Administrators – leading efforts to debunk false narratives. Look at policies. Making sure we are being responsive.</p>	<p><i>Julian/ Carrasquillo</i></p>
2	<p><i>Grants & Initiatives Subcommittee (standing item) – Any updates/reports, if applicable.</i> No report.</p>	<p><i>Battisti</i></p>
3	<p><i>Restorative Practices (standing item) – Any updates/reports, if applicable.</i> Lundburg, ball in his court. Looking at funding. Pecenco, nothing to add, still excited to proceed! Community Circles are exciting to hear!</p>	<p><i>Pecenco/ Moore</i></p>
4	<p><i>Artificial Intelligence (AI) Workgroup – continued discussion on membership and charge</i> Gomez, good framework. Scope – short term deliverables, classroom tools, ethical usage, etc. Proposal for a new MAIN series – open to all to attend. Demystifying some of the factors that still hinder usage. Good starting point. Leads into other conversations. Collective vision for AI in the classroom. Lots of materials to go through. Not starting from scratch. Lundburg noted this has grown so quickly and it would be good to have classified interest too. Keep an eye toward how we work smarter, not harder. Hard to figure out how to let things go, especially as we take on new things. We get to make up the rules for the most part. Would be fun to explore this. Gomez, some exploration of counselor usage. Monica Demcho working on developing some tools with CRM. Full scope of agentic AI/what we are moving towards. Not using it districtwide. Good resources to leverage, and lots of</p>	<p><i>Lundburg/ Gomez</i></p>

	<p>interest. Lundburg, moving in that direction. Not unreasonable to form taskforce and give them some ideas and let them run with it. Suggest we talk about membership. Gomez, resolutions from other campuses. No agreement on how to tackle this, but Miramar has a vision. Lundburg suggested an interest meeting first. O’Garro liked this idea. She recommended scheduling it during collegehour time to align with student schedules. Kunst, suggested two sessions, one on a Monday and one on a Thursday. She also noted getting classified to volunteer is hard. Meet them where they are. Set time aside as Classified Senate meeting or use computers in A&R area. Barnard food draws people. Lundburg agreed; will provide lunch. O’Garro, good suggestion and productive use of time. Lundburg, confirmed we will set these up before semester ends. Offer two, monday and thursday. Provide food. Gomez also shared there is upcoming PD workshops on AI in the meantime; encourage folks to attend.</p>	
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A. New Business:

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1	<p><i>Free Speech Policy & Procedure</i> <i>Attachment: BP 3900; Miramar Free Speech Brochure</i></p> <p>Gonzales introduced the topic. Evolved over the decades. Colleges adjusted. No designated free speech areas, only recommended. Try to keep them away from disrupting college operations. Picked a few places on campus. Generally, stay around compass point. If not disruptive, let them be. Not supposed to be harrasing students. Will go out there and remind them of the rules if they are. Students do not need to engage. No hate speech. Lundburg, safety is a clear line. Hate speech can be driven by perception. Gonzales added colleges have to balance out constitution free speech and college operations. Will confer with legal as/if needed. TurningPointUSA had a sign “Right to bear arms” sent it to legal. Determined it was free speech. Allowing people to express their opinions in a calm and respectful way. We advise everyone to check in with Student Affairs office – about 50% do, this is incase we need to follow up with them. Engage with Campus Police as needed as well. Keep them separate from the business we do – don’t want them in the middle of college hour. Putting out signage, should be up in the next week or so. Want to remind folks that we have visitors and they can be here. Carrasquillo gave a shoutout to Gonzales, heard so much about TurningPointUSA situation. You immediately handled it. Thank you for the reminder of the policy and being proactive with the signs. Gonzales emphasized that it is a team effort, thank you. Lundburg, core concern is safety and everyone feeling safe. Policy about engaging in policitcal activites while on the clock. Just a reminder. Gonzales explained there is also a regulation during election season – equal time for opponent. Nuances to navigate. Barnard noted two religous groups, very zealous. Looking for students that need to find a sense of community. One doesn’t have a physical location. Make me nervous. Gonzales, we need to make sure students know their rights. Also have bulletin boards people can post on. Barnard noted we take down old flyers once a month. Gonzales, opens up for others to post as well. One of the things we have to monitor. Battisti shared that one group had a canopy up, it was slightly windy. Can we ask them to remove for safety purposes if they don’t have a weight? Gonzales, falls under time, place, and manner so, can potentially control for safety. Gonzales and Battisti will talk offline where we can insert, but think we can require it. Lundburg agreed it could be a potential safety concern. Battisti, asked if we ask for liability insurance. Gonzales responded no.</p>	Lundburg/ Gonzales/ Barnard
2	<p><i>2026 ACCJC Annual Report Template</i> <i>Attachment: 2026 ACCJC Annual Report Template</i></p> <p>Miramontez reviewed the ACCJC Annual report template. Required to do this every year. Student Achievement data, licensures, and other types of data they ask for like enrollment. Do not offer corresponding courses. PREDD dashboard. Self-evaluation for transparency rubric – telling the public who we are. For time being, in compliance, but looking to combine data to tell a better story. Bachelor’s degree just started, so no data yet but starting to track. Do not offer direct assessment. Transfer rate. Licensure rate. Employment rate. Last couple items – other info, include bachelor’s program explanation. Accreditation platform, yes/no, if using/not using. Miramontez will populate the ACCJC Annual report form and bring it back here. His office will submit. There were no questions/comments. Lundburg - good work, thank you.</p>	Miramontez
3	<p><i>Campus Safety – share out on A.S.’s recent discussion.</i></p> <p>Carrasquillo, detailed discussion at senate about campus safety concerns. Similar to what has been stated here today. Faculty asking for more communication on what the plan is for Miramar. I.e. tabletop exercies – not everyone knows what that is. Connection of this to de-escalation for example. Her idea is talking through</p>	Gomez/ Carrasquillo

difference scenarios that could happen on campus. Basic understanding. Some communication on this. Hunger for training. People want to be prepared and feel safe. Know where to hide, safe ways to intervene safety and appropriately. Discussion on ICE and following the law. Comments ranged from “we have to follow the law” to “law is not a moral law” if not just, won’t follow. Not going to help ICE. Personal decision. People want to know what are the options. That was the conversation. Capturing main themes – more communication, more training, and what do we need to know beyond “know your rights.” **Lundburg**, policy is to not engage. Direct to Chancellor and Legal. That’s it. Anything else is outside of that. Can’t imagine your job is at risk, but that is the policy. If we do training on de-escalation, does that contradict the policy? He will ask Legal. As far as your options: redirect to Chancellor/Legal and can record the situation. Can explore beyond, but understand that what administration does, will be compliant with the policy. Don’t want this to be interpreted the wrong way. **Carrasquillo**, noted we had de-escalation trainings before, and suggested to bring that back. **Lundburg** – yes, as long as it is separate from ICE. Rules have changed. Intent of tabletops is to walk through that. **Estrada-Howell**, doing some research as to what we can do. Lot of this is based on how people may or may not know what the law is. [Los Rios CCD](#). Refer to what other colleges have done. Our district only has the flyer. **Lundburg** – part of it. Yes. **Gonzales**, have provided different types of trainings for different reasons. Comes from legal entities. Interesting to hear, haven’t had a consistent culture of training and what to do. I.e. fire drills, active shooters. Think that is what people are asking for. More consistent training and with a menu of options. **Carrasquillo** – would be great to have this as public facing. **Lundburg** – if following policy while working, indemnified. They will represent you legally. **O’Garro**, students want to feel safe on campus. Want to know they can turn to the people that work here and they know what to do. Need to ensure everyone has an equal understanding of what to do. **Neff** – very important to acknowledge. Don’t want the training to be too procedural. **Sandoval** – suggested an ICE Crisis support staff member? Or place? **Peña** – keep in mind, as running through scenarios, humanizing it. High-stress situation. Need to create that culture of training. **Carrasquillo** – emergency preparedness. Can we practice as a community? **Lundburg** – want to make sure this is a team effort. Help us with this message. **Roberts** – might want a communication piece around this. **Lundburg** – liked that idea.

- B. Action Items:** [Highlighted in blue throughout.](#)
- C. Announcements – Gonzales** provided an updated on Umoja. He reached out, went to website, not taking programs. Submitted our name. Next day, permitted to take on new programs. We are on the list. Application is due end of May. Working with **Odu** on this. Ontrack to have kickoff in the fall.
- D. Adjourn** – The meeting adjourned at 2:33 pm.
- E. Next Scheduled Meeting:** Tuesday, March 24th, 2026, from 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm in Room K1-202/Zoom

Link to recording: <https://sdccd-edu.zoom.us/rec/share/-BVvuT0vbq3wHqdgSX-blKkiDLkQWYzd1-UaQsipRq8qO45ohUcDQBqCeola8ze.C30DZr6Ms6c-7wk6>