



February 19th, 2026

Thursdays, 2:10pm-4:00pm

Join us in person: 4-301

Join us on zoom:

<https://smccd.zoom.us/j/83240130908>

Academic Senate: “the organization whose primary function, as the representative of the faculty, is to make recommendations to the administration of the college and to the Board of Trustees with respect to academic and professional matters” (CA CCR Title 5).

Voting Members

<p>Executive Officers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● President: Cassidy Ryan [votes in ties] ● Vice President: Jessica Truglio ● Secretary: Christopher Collins ● Treasurer: Tony Viertel ● Past President: Vacant (does not vote) <p>Senators</p> <p>ASLT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Vincent Kang <p>BEPP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Vacant ● Jill Rizzo <p>Counseling</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Suzanne Poma ● Kenny Gonzalez ● Rocio Aguilar-Pedroza <p>CTE Liaison</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Vacant 	<p>Language Arts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lucia Lachmayr ● Janice Sapigao <p>KAD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Amber Steele <p>SPWD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Christine Herndon <p>SSCA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Katie Manbachi ● Kathy Zarur ● Jennifer Merrill <p>STEM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rick Hough ● Jing Folsom ● Vacant <p>SESP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lucy Jovel <p>Part-Time Faculty</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Vacant ● Vacant ● Vacant
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Voting members: 20
Simple majority: 11
2/3: 12

Non-voting Members

<p>Governance Committee Chairs</p> <p>AFT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Michael Song <p>ASSC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• William Oo <p>Curriculum Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rick Hough	<p>PD/CTTL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lucia Lachmayr <p>Professional Personnel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Soledad McCarthy <p>OER Liasson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Laurie Buchholz
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1.0 Opening Procedures and Welcome

1.1 Senate Networking

Presenter: N/A
Time: 10 minutes
Notes:

1.2 Call to Order/Establish Quorum

Presenter: President Ryan
Time: 1 minute
Notes:

1.3 Adoption of Agenda

Presenter: President Ryan
Time: 1 minute
Notes:

1.4 Adoption of Minutes

Presenter: President Ryan

Time: 1 minute

Notes: Approval of minutes from February 5th

1.5 Adoption of Consent Agenda

Presenter: President Ryan

Time: 5 minutes

Notes:

Canada- Accounting Screening Committee

Tony Viertel

1.6 Public Comment

Presenter: President Ryan

Time: 10 minutes

Notes: Anyone from the public may make a comment on any non-agenda item. Speaking time is limited to 2 minutes per person.

2.0 New Senate Business.

2.1 Dreamscape Learn Classroom Lab

Procedure | **Information** | **Discussion** | **Action**

Presenters: President Carter

Time: 30 Mins

Notes: Dr. Carter will share strategic plans to bring Dreamscape Learn to Building 2.

2.2 Zoom Phones

Procedure | [Information](#) | [Discussion](#) | [Action](#)

Presenters: Damen Grewal

Time: 10 minutes

Notes: Zoom Phone offers a modern, cloud-based alternative to a traditional Mitel PBX (our current system) by eliminating the need for on-premises telephony hardware while providing greater flexibility, scalability, and integration with collaboration tools. Unlike a Mitel PBX, which relies on dedicated servers, handsets, and ongoing maintenance, Zoom Phone is managed entirely in the cloud and seamlessly integrates with Zoom Meetings, video conferencing, & Zoom Chat, allowing users to make and receive calls from their desk phone, computer, or mobile device using your existing work number.

2.3 Zero Textbook Cost (ZTC) Updates

Procedure | [Information](#) | [Discussion](#) | [Action](#)

Presenters: Laurie Buchholz

Time: 20 minutes

Notes: The ZTC grant's focus has shifted to emphasize ZTC pathways to degrees and certificates. Skyline has funding available for ZTC professional development and course revisions. There is also new BP & AP language related to textbook affordability required by the state. This session will give an overview of ZTC changes and efforts at Skyline College, asking Senators to share the information with their divisions.

2.4 SPWD- Perkins Application Review

Procedure | [Information](#) | [Discussion](#) | [Action](#)

Presenters: Dean Ayotte

Time: 5 mins

Notes: Senate will approve faculty members to review and provide feedback on perkins application.

2.5 P.D Funds

Procedure | [Information](#) | [Discussion](#) | [Action](#)

Presenters: Lucia Lachmayr

Time: 5 mins

Notes: Presentation to vote for district to make the funds available to provide professional/academic journals available to faculty so that they can stay current on relevant ideas within their professional sphere.

2.6 Zero Textbook Cost (ZTC) Updates

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Presenters: Laurie Buchholz

Time: 20 mins

Notes:

2.7 Faculty Screening Guidelines

Procedure | [Information](#) | [Discussion](#) | Action

Presenters: President Ryan

Time: 10 Mins

Notes: Continued discussion regarding the district drafted faculty screening guidelines

3.0 Standing Agenda Items

3.1 Committee Reports

Procedure | [Information](#) | Discussion | Action

Presenter: Curriculum, IEC tri-chair, FTEFAC, SPARC, Professional Personnel, CTE

Time: 10 minutes

Notes:

3.2 Campus Reports

Procedure | [Information](#) | Discussion | Action

Presenter: ASSC Student Rep, CTTL, AFT Reps, OER

Time: 10 minutes

Notes:

4.0 Announcement and Closing Procedures

4.1. Final Announcements

Presenter: President Ryan

Time: 5 minutes

Notes:

4.2. Motion to Adjourn

Presenter: President Ryan

Time: 1 minute

Notes: Next meeting is March 5th. If you would like to request an item be put on the agenda (Consent, discussion, action or information) please submit your request for the next meeting by February 24th by 12:00pm. You can request an agenda item [here](#)

Academic and Professional Matters, AB 1725 “10 + 1”

1. Curriculum, including establishing prerequisites and placing courses within disciplines
2. Degree and certificate requirements
3. Grading policies
4. Educational program development
5. Standards or policies regarding student preparation and success
6. District and college governance structures, as related to faculty roles
7. Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes, including self-study and annual reports
8. Policies for faculty professional development activities
9. Processes for program review
10. Processes for institutional planning and budget development
11. Other academic and professional matters as are mutually agreed upon between the governing board and the academic senate