

SADDLEBACK COLLEGE – ACADEMIC SENATE
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

October 15, 2025

2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Saddleback College, AGB 106

Senate Officers:

Dan Walsh, President	Present
Frank Gonzalez, President-Elect	Present
Claire Cesareo, Past President	Present
Michelle Gustafson, Vice President	Present
Michelle Duffy, Ed.D., Recorder	Present

School of Arts, Media, Performance & Design (5)

Maria Mayenzet	Present
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School of Business and Industry (3)

Emily Quinlan	Present
Taylor Brooks	Present
Jane Medling	Present

Division of Counseling Services and Special Programs (5)

Casey Eyman	Present
Efren Rangel	Present
Kolin Williams	Present
Mike Long	Absent
Sarah Chang	Present
Maria Castellanos	Present

Division of Extended Learning (1)

Jill Ibbotson	Present
Stacy Eldred, Alt	Present

School of Health & Wellness (3)

Nahid Meshkin	Present
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School of Humanities and Social Sciences (9)

Christina Smith	Present
Jennifer Hedgecock	Present
Mako Tanaka	Present
Megan Martin	Present
Poly Pantelidou	Present
Travis Ames	Present

Division of Instructional Support and Teaching Innovations (1)

Carolyn Seaman	Present
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Division of Kinesiology & Athletics (2)

Brandee Craig	Absent
Jennifer Rohles	Absent

School of Science, Technology Engineering and Math (7)

David Giordano	Present
Jim Repka	Present
Michele Rousseau	Absent
Morgan Barrows	Present
Nicholas Timmons	Present
Sam Abbas	Present
Sumaya McCleave	Present

Associate Faculty (4)

Bruce Gilman	Present
E.J. Baldonado-Wilkins	Present
EvaMarie Rodriguez-Morris	Present
Wonderful Nancy Allah	Present

Shared Governance Group Representative

Claire Cesareo, Faculty Assoc.	Present
Georgina Martinez, Classified Senate	Present
Erlynn Ballo, CSEA	Absent
Adriana Maher, ASG	Absent
Juliette Sturgis, ASG	Present

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2pm.

2. INTRODUCE AND WELCOME GUESTS & NEW SENATORS

Dan Walsh, Academic Senate President, asked guests to introduce themselves. Maria Castellanos from Counseling introduced herself.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Morgan Barrows moved to adopt the agenda with the flexibility to move items to accommodate guests. Taylor Brooks seconded. The Academic Senate unanimously approved the adoption of the agenda.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM October 1, 2025.

Morgan Barrows moved to adopt the minutes from the previous meeting. Taylor Brooks seconded. The Academic Senate approved the adoption of the minutes with minor edits to lines 255-258.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

EvaMarie Rodriguez-Morris encouraged senators to check out the football games to support our athletes. It's a fun time and faculty get in free!

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dan Walsh shared:

- Nothing. Dan is doing well.

7. CONSTITUENCY GROUP REPORTS

A. Faculty Association

Claire Cesareo, representing the FA, reported things are chugging along. No new news at this point.

B. Student Government

Juliette Sturgis reported that the Suggestion Box for students should be up next week.

C. Classified Senate/Association

Georgina Martinez reported that the Classified Senate had a Filipino potluck.

D. California School Employees Association

None.

8. ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

A. Curriculum

Taylor Brooks motioned to adopt the Consent Calendar items. Morgan Barrows seconded. The Academic Senate voted unanimously to adopt the Consent Calendar items.

9. OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of Faculty to Serve on Committees

Frank Gonzalez motioned to approve the Faculty to Serve on Committees. Morgan Barrows seconded. The Academic Senate voted unanimously to approve the Faculty to Serve on Committees.

B. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation Advisory Council (BPARC) Update

Dan Walsh shared BP/AR 3440 Service Animals- language added "College/school safety committee(s) may impose additional restrictions in some lab settings."

Morgan Barrows asked if the question of who pays for extra safety equipment for the animal was answered. Dan responded that it will be a local decision and will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

C. Curriculum Update

Michelle Duffy reminded faculty of the following:

- CCN Phase III templates are being completed. Once they are released, they will be built in META and faculty discipline chairs will be notified. CCN Phase III courses are scheduled to be implemented in fall 2027.
- The fall window for submission of new course proposals and new program initiation forms closed on Friday, September 19th. The Curriculum Team is in the process of reviewing submissions and has started moving them through the local process.
- The next window for new courses proposals and new program initiation forms closes January 23, 2026.

D. A Student Equity Plan

Susana Castellanos shared the final plan with updates:

- Reworded goals to clarify
- Showed final draft with yellow areas (designating what had been added) and green (areas still to be completed); it can be found in SharePoint

The final document gets submitted by October 28th. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Susana before that date.

Efren Rangel motioned in favor of supporting the Student Equity Plan. Jim Repka seconded. The Academic Senate voted unanimously in favor of supporting the Student Equity Plan.

E. Banner Townhall Feedback

Dan Walsh inquired about senators' reactions to the townhall. Not many faculty attended since it was held during a prime teaching time. One senator inquired about the system to see past course grades so that students can see transcripts and prove past enrollments. Banner does not show them. Dan Walsh responded that the Legacy MySite works for students.

A dean asked for a cost analysis for the move to Banner. This has not been addressed.

Another senator asked if stipends have been discussed for staff/classified who have worked overtime on Banner issues. This has not been addressed. Dan Walsh shared that a resolution can be written up to address this. IVC addressed this and Cindy

Vyskocil aggressively shot this down. Staff can only receive overtime not stipends since they are hourly. It would likely need to be a reclassification.

There was a survey emailed to faculty about Banner. Please complete.

It was again emphasized that a lot of faculty did not attend our town hall likely because it was during teaching hours. In essence, the processes in Banner are faulty and make normal tasks more cumbersome and lengthy.

Another concern voiced: There appears to be issues with how Incompletes show up in Banner.

Loss of trust with students, employees and community was also a theme across the most recent Banner Townhall.

F. Area D Meeting

Dan Walsh reported that most of the morning was spent going over the process and the role of the Academic Senate.

Frank Gonzalez noted that there was a resolution about Credit for Prior Learning and a call for faculty liaisons. Vision 2030 has CPL in it. Kolin Williams added that November 11th is the deadline for the Veteran's Sprint and they are using ACE to evaluate prior work/military experience for college credit. Accepting prior work/military experience is a faculty decision.

G. Part Time Faculty Compensation for Shared Governance Participation

Dan Walsh reshared the proposed resolution in favor of compensating PTF senators.

Taylor Brooks motioned to support the resolution for Part-Time Compensation for Shared Governance Participation. Bruce Gilman seconded. The Academic Senate voted unanimously to support the resolution for Part-Time Compensation for Shared Governance Participation.

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. Academic Senate Bylaws

Dan Walsh led a discussion regarding a) Associate Faculty representatives' elections (candidate statements) and b) use of district email when campaigning. A draft of the bylaws including this language about the elections for all senators was shown.

The naming of part-time faculty as adjunct or associate faculty is problematic. The bylaws will use “part-time faculty” for now.

Bruce Gilman inquired as to the part-time faculty elections and the daunting task of being elected by over 900 faculty when they are likely unknown across campus. Could the elections be broken down by schools? Maybe open it up to five part-time faculty, one from each school? This would be similar to the way that full-time members are brought to the senate by the area, could this happen for part-timers. Bruce added that many part-timers are interested in representing and are invested in their job/work environment. Claire Cesareo warned that this could lead to some areas not being represented.

The issue of divisions, in addition to schools, was brought up as a concern. EvaMarie Rodriguez-Morris also raised the concern about relaying the information to all the part-time faculty. In addition, when you have both full-time and part-time faculty from the same area, they will be able to give a full picture for that area.

Emily Quinlan reminded senators that the part-time faculty outnumber the full-time faculty significantly and therefore they need to be adequately represented.

Sumaya McCleave clarified that part-timers are representing all part-timers rather than their own school/division.

Nancy Allah is in favor of more representation by part-timers.

B. Paris and Costa Rica Study Abroad

Amy Heneghan, faculty in Interior Design program, shared information about the two Study Abroad programs for summer of 2026; Informational meetings are being held and enrollments are open.

- Costa Rica program- field study-based program exploring biodiversity; July 20-August 2nd; cost is \$3625 and does not include airfare; 3 units of classes; Information meeting on Wednesday Nov 5th at 3pm
- Paris program- June 8- July 5th; Cost is \$5145 for 18-23 students and drops to \$4705 with 24-25 students; Costs include accommodations and breakfast but not airfare, lunch, dinner of incidentals; 6 units of CalGETC units; Fall informational meeting held on October 14th

Nancy Allah asked if they have done outreach to the community for financial support; There is a meeting next week to discuss funding options.

C. 2027-2028 Academic Calendar

Dan Walsh shared a corrected academic calendar. The IVC calendar is very close to ours. The difference is the placement of the floating contractual days.

Lively discussion ensued. Dan Walsh asked:

1. Do we want four-day weekends? Yes
2. Should the contractual day be moved to after classes end at the end of December? We're flexible
3. Moving the observance of Veteran's Day from the 11th to 12th? We're flexible

Maybe a random Wednesday seemed to be a welcomed solution for the extra floating work day.

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Executive

Michelle Gustafson shared her reflections on Banner and its impact. She gave this analogy: Our entire campus is a basketball team. Counselors are asked to play the roll of throwing the three-pointers; however, this transition to Banner is making them wear a uniform that doesn't fit, flipflops and one arm is tied, yet they are expected to make the baskets. It just can't happen. Banner was focused on university students and what they need, not on community college students. The district is not following the goals of their plan to serve students and having every person feel valued.

B. College/Senate Committees

Morgan Barrows asked about Consultation Council and CRC requests- the delay to next year was denied and the \$2000 allocation remained.

12. REPRESENTATIONAL AREA/ATEP/PT FACULTY REPORTS

None.

13. ADJOURNMENT –

Dan Walsh adjourned the meeting at 3:38pm.

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335 Agenda Item 8A.1 - Proposed new credit courses for academic year 2026-27
336 Agenda Item 8A.2 - Proposed new credit program for academic year 2026-27
337 Agenda Item 8A.3 - Proposed new taxonomic pathway for Emeritus Art for academic year 2026-27
338 Agenda Item 8A.4 - Proposed new noncredit courses for academic year 2026-27
339 Agenda Item 8A.5 - Proposed new noncredit program for academic year 2026-27
340 Agenda Item 8A.6 - Proposed course revisions and deletions for academic year 2026-27
341 Agenda Item 8A.7 - Proposed program revisions for academic year 2026-27
342 Agenda Item 8A.8 - Proposed program deletions for academic year 2026-27
343 Agenda Item 9A - Approval of Faculty to Serve on Committees
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346 in some lab settings."
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352 Agenda Item 10C - 2027-2028 Academic Calendar
353 **KEYWORDS: Service Animals, Banner Townhall Feedback, Bylaws, AR 3440, Student Equity**
354 **Plan, Area D, Study Abroad, Calendar, Part Time Faculty Compensation**