

Draft Minutes, Academic Senate, January 26, 2026

1. Call to Order, Villanueva

Villanueva called the meeting to order.

2. Roll Call, La Piana

Present: Chan, Chang, Gilstrap, Gleixner, Gray, Herman, Kaupp, La Piana, Mar, Lenkeit Meezan, Mudge, Nguyen, Peters, Rideaux, Santillan-Nieto, Thao, Villanueva

Zoom: Davison, N. Vennarucci, Tripp Caldwell, O'Loughlin, Thompson, Ripp, Gomes, Vega, Vihnson (guest), Tabing (guest)

Lenkeit Meezan proxy for Davison; Kaupp proxy for O'Loughlin and Ripp

Absent: Jama, Middleton

3. Agenda Adoption

Amended; approved by consensus.

4. Public Comment

N/A

5. Approval of 1.12.26 Minutes, La Piana

Kaupp moved to approve; Mar seconded; approved.

6. Approval of Consent Calendar, Villanueva

Amendment: Rita O'Loughlin to replace Katy Ripp for spring.

College Curriculum Committee:

- Apprenticeship: Kristina Vennarucci
- HSH: Cathy Draper

Tenure Review Committees:

- Phase I At-large pool: Ron Painter

Search/Hiring Committees:

- FT Health Instructor: Brenda Barrientos Calero, Lisa Chesser Nielse

- FT Mathematics Instructor: Sarah Munoz, Teresa Zwack, Matthew Litrus
- FT Dental Hygiene Program Director/Instructor: Pia Staana, Jennifer Leicht
- FT Diagnostic Medical Program Director/Instructor: Shae Cole, Melissa McFarland
- FT Vet Tech Instructor: Shae Cole, Rachelle Campbell, John Gorzynski

Program Review Readers

- KIN: Owen Planner

Kaupp moved to approve as amended; Gilstrap second; approved.

7. ASFC President Updates to the Academic Senate, Nguyen

- Hosted successful winter club day
- Currently working on collecting more student data about library hours extension
- Progress on campus space bookstore space planning, will present to deans on 2/10
- Considering reviving Campus Center Committee, which will include representatives from different areas on campus, including faculty
- Preparing to send ASFC members to SSSCCC events
 - March on March, Sacramento
 - General Assembly

8. Classified Senate Updates, Santillan-Nieto

- Continuing Community of Learning series
- Wednesday's activity also via Zoom
- Continuing planning work with De Anza for classified PD day
 - March 20, "Here We Grow Again: Rooted in Purpose, Rising in Community"
- Planning to take group to Classified leadership institute during spring quarter

9. District Strategic Planning: Designing the Future of Learning and Society, Momijan

- Updating district strategic plan from Chancellor's hire
- Plan will emphasize simplicity, broad input, alignment between campuses and district-wide operations
- Culminating in 10-15 p document, accountability and execution
- Reviewed milestones between 2023-2025
- Chancellor has narrowed down from 12 priority to 5—on website
- Executive leadership team (chancellor, vice chancellors, presidents from both colleges) taking active role to support faculty and staff w/ respect to district-wide goals
- Five Broad Districtwide Strategic Objectives
 - Five wildly important goals w/in objectives
 - Planning documents meant to foster accountability and execution
- Goal is for college plans to draw from district plan; right now, district is drawing from colleges

District's Five Wildly Important Goals:

- Equity: By Fall 2027, redesign course scheduling to support workforce pell implementation to ensure 30% of eligible programs are in accelerated pathways.
- Learning: Create 5 academic pathways for dual admissions articulation with UC/CSU transfer institutions by Fall 2027.
- Digital Transformation: By 2027 a framework for digital transformation is defined and applied to enhance the student experience.
- Career Pathways: Ensure all CTE programs are aligned with labor market demand by the end of Spring 2029.
- Global Citizenship: Every student enrolled in Area 4 (CalGETC) will engage in civic and community engagement by 2030.

Question about district plans to redesign of CTE scheduling; Gleixner explained that it's in response to a new financial aid option (Pell grant) for accelerated certifications. Accounting Department offering new accelerated certificate this fall.

Question about district goal of having five pathways for dual enrollment and what that would look like; would it manifest as MOUs? Make use of existing ADTS? Momijan responded that options are being explored and college presidents and offices of instruction will help determine pathways.

Gilstrap noted that Global Citizenship goal would require faculty to revise the Course Outline of Record for Area 4 classes, which would trigger reviews for articulation.

Villanueva noted that all students are pursuing Cal-GETC.

Faculty can communicate feedback to Villanueva and Momijan.

10. Academic Integrity, Villanueva

- 10-year lapse of AIC, though charge still exists
- Proposed structure for composition of newly revitalized committee:
 - Committee chair: Faculty member selected by AS, 2-year term
 - Villanueva proposes Executive VP chairs committee
 - Core membership: one senator per division
 - ASFC rep
 - TwT liaison
- Ex-Officio Members
 - Dean of Students
 - Writing & Learning Center

Comment that filling one senator per division would be a challenge, particularly given not all positions on Academic Senate are filled. Suggestion to reach out to broader campus community.

Discussion of roles and representation on AIC. For WLC , question about whether dean or program coordinator would serve. Suggestion that it would make sense for library faculty and program coordinator(s) to serve. Comments that tutors from all programs should be informed and receive guidance, as well as Foothill Connect and counselors.

Villanueva proposes Chan coordinates workgroup to think through AIC membership/representation.

Suggestion that charge of AIC should be revisited to help determine appropriate membership and that PD coordinator should be included. Comment that staff should also have professional development focused on academic integrity because of work they do with students.

Nguyen noted that ASFC is interested in discussions between AI Fellows and AIC and conversations between different groups on campus.

Discussion regarding scope of AIC and the need to consider process as part of culture, specifically concerning how violations of academic integrity are handled and subsequent lack of faculty engagement. Mention of labor around discerning student intentions and actions, as well as knowledge and perceptions that different parties have about student work but are not able to communicate to instructors. Questions arising about consequences for students when discussions about value of learning and practice do not dissuade them from outsourcing their work. Mention of current due process pool, though what triggers due process for some students and not others is not clear. Curiosity expressed about practice/process at De Anza.

Chan to draft a revision of the charge, in consultation with others, and present to Academic Senate.

11. Blueprint for Success, Objective 4.2, Santillan-Nieto and Villanueva

Tabled until next meeting.

12. Election Committee, Villanueva

- Time to start planning senate elections; 3 positions open for fall, 2-year positions
 - Part-time rep
 - Secretary & treasurer
 - President
- Need to establish elections committee per constitution: committee ensures process if followed, including soliciting nominations from faculty, integrity of process, and reporting results to senate. Committee must be Executive Members on Academic Senate; need faculty chair and 2 faculty members from different divisions; an official observer will be appointed by the chair in spring.

Brendan Mar, Dolores Davison, and Evan Gilstrap to comprise election committee.

13. Recruitment for the Program Review Revisions Committee, Harris and Kuo

On behalf of Institutional Effectiveness Committee, Kelaiah Harris (via Zoom) presented framework, process, and timeline for revising program review. Requests volunteers for focus groups. Looking for faculty to offer perspective on program review. Based on feedback, IEC will draft a new template and process and bring to Academic Senate for feedback and approval in April with plans to launch fall quarter.

Retreats for focus groups scheduled for February and early March. Volunteers do not have to attend every session or stay the entire time.

14. Academic Senate Scholarship Allocation, La Piana

La Piana presented last year's account balance and scholarships as well as the current account balance. Asked whether Senate would like to maintain number and amount of scholarships or make adjustments.

Villanueva noted that scholarships are funded by faculty dues, which were previously also used to pay for officers to attend plenary, but that now comes from another budget.

Will revisit scholarship allocation at next meeting.

15. Officer, Chairs, Coordinator, Committee Reports

Villanueva reported that Academic & Professional Matters met on 1/14/26 and discussed AP 2410, Policy & Administrative Procedure; conversion from quarters to semesters; and the Disaggregation of Asian Categories and Success.

Villanueva reported that DBAC met on 1/20/26 to discussed the governor's proposed budget, which includes an 8.7% increase for CCCs, with no changes to the SCFF and ongoing increases for Adult Ed and Basic Needs. Strongforce did not receive a COLA. The May revise will provide more concrete details. Report of decrease in nonresident FTES; 1700 dual enrollment students districtwide.

Villanueva reported discussion at DDEAC of the changes to roles for EEO representatives on hiring committees for the purpose of minimizing litigation. The EEO rep does not vote but helps shape job descriptions and formulate questions for candidates.

Villanueva reported that the IEC is working on revising program review and assessing MIP-C.

Chan reported discussion at MIP-C about improving communication and participation on MIP-C. Bret Watson presented on the hiring process for classified colleagues. The rollout of Google's AI

tools (Gemini and LM Notebook) to students was delayed but will be available shortly. Presentations on current efforts for developing a year-long class schedule for students.

Villanueva reported that the Somos Unos Taskforce is working on creating resource allocation guidelines for the district's new funding model.

Villanueva reported that the Foothill Technology Committee is working on a strategic plan.

16. Announcements and for the good of the order

Villanueva highlighted the whitepaper about agentic AI linked in the agenda and offered a reminder of the townhall with Jory Hadsell on 1/27/26 from 1-2pm in room 5015.

Chan announced the Poet Laureat Convocation on 1/27/26 beginning at 12:15 in Appreciation Hall.
Meeting adjourned.