

# Academic Senate

Location: Sequoia Room 1, Visalia Campus  
Teleconference Locations: 9694 Mimbres Court, Gold Canyon, AZ 85118

## SUMMARY

### Wednesday, May 10, 2023

#### 5:30 - 6 pm

<p><b>Executive Members</b> Juan Arzola - present David Hurst - absent Teresa Mendoza - present Ramyar Alavi-Moghaddam - absent Lisa Hott - present Joshua Geist - present Liana Craven - present Brice Nakamura - present Sarah Harris - present</p> <p><b>Senators</b> <b>AG (1)</b> Shannan Cooper - present <b>IT (2)</b> Brian Unruh - present vacant <b>Business (2)</b> Lisa Hott - present Kevin Picciuto - present <b>Consumer Family Studies (1)</b> Kyrán Wiley - absent <b>FEC</b> Liana Craven - present <b>Fine Arts (1)</b> Chris Mangels - absent <b>Library (1)</b> Emily Campbell - absent <b>English (3)</b> Joshua Geist - present vacant vacant <b>Comm/Lang (1)</b> Johnathan Brooks – absent <b>Math/Engineering (2)</b> Tracy Redden - present vacant <b>Nursing/Health Science (2)</b> Cathy Glasgow - absent vacant <b>Physical Education (2)</b> Michelle Bolt - present vacant <b>Science (2)</b> Vineet Patel - present Courtney Traugh - absent <b>Social Science (3)</b> Randy Villegas - present Marla Prochnow - present Octavio Barajas - present <b>Student Services (3)</b> Jason Ford - absent Amanda Thomas - present vacant <b>Adjunct Faculty (2)</b> Danielle Alberti - present Samantha Brookshire - present <b>Classified (1)</b> Crystal Salazar - absent <b>Student Rep (1)</b> Serena Salcido - absent Alternate: Isaiah Williams – absent</p> <p>Also present:</p>	<p><b>1. Call to Order 5:30 pm</b></p> <p><b>2. Public Comment</b></p> <p>a. Regarding items not on the Agenda Danielle Alberti – Email Ashley Collins for book adoptions if faculty have not yet made their book requests for the summer of fall semesters. Book orders for summer were recently completed and may not be available in time for session 1.</p> <p>b. Regarding items on the Agenda Tracy Redden made a motion to move the Discussion items before Information items. 2<sup>nd</sup>/ Lisa Hott. MSA</p> <p><b>3. Consent Calendar</b> All items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. An item may be removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of any Senator or any person in the audience and considered as a separate agenda item. Motion to approve Consent Calendar made by Brice Nakamura. Approved.</p> <p>a. Meeting Minutes b. Approval of Agenda c. Faculty Appointments: Master Plan Taskforce—Sarah Harris, Charles Abee, Danielle Alberti, Aimee Ahle, Vanessa Bailey, Chris Huff, Deysi Sanchez, Travis Burkett, Linda Flora, Samantha Brookshire, and Steven Tootle; Motion made by Randy Villegas to move Native American Action Taskforce to Action item 4c to add Octavio Barajas to the Taskforce membership. <del>Native American Action Taskforce—Marla Prochnow, Sandy Valenzuela, Amber Vasquez, Carlota Marin, Jessica Andrade Azua, Matthew Nelson, Matthew Rangel.</del></p> <p><b>4. Action</b></p> <p>a. Curriculum Report (Sarah Harris) M/Shannon Cooper, 2<sup>nd</sup>/ Sam Brookshire. MSA</p> <p>b. Math Placement Grid Update – Fall 2024 (Sarah Harris) M/ Shannon Cooper, 2<sup>nd</sup>/ Randy Villegas. MSA Sarah Harris - Document is an update to how students are placed in math following AB 1705.</p> <p>c. Native American Action Taskforce—Marla Prochnow, Sandy Valenzuela, Amber Vasquez, Carlota Marin, Jessica Andrade-Azua, Matthew Nelson, Matthew Rangel, and Octavio Barajas. M/ Brice Nakamura, 2<sup>nd</sup>/ Shannon Cooper. MSA</p>
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**5. Information 6. Information**

a. ACCJC Institution-set Standards and Stretch/Aspiration Goals  
Dr. Öztürk presented. If there are any questions, please contact Dr. Öztürk.

b. Equitable Placement, Support and Completion (AB 1705) Funding Allocation and the Submission of Funding Plans

Sarah Harris - The Chancellor's office has approved funding for support for AB 1705. The Funding Plans are due in June. The Academic Senate President will need to sign off on those plans. The AB 1705 Taskforce will handle drawing up said plans. This information was supplied so that faculty at large could be aware of the funding and weigh in on the options of how to spend it. Feedback would be appreciated by Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Sarah Harris.

c. End of Year Report – Equivalency Committee

Please email David Hurst with any comments or questions.

d. End of Year Report – DECOS Committee

Please email Brice Nakamura with any comments or questions.

e. End of Year Report – ETC Committee

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f. End of Year Report – Curriculum Committee

Please email Sarah Harris with any comments or questions.

g. End of Year Report – Outcomes Assessment Committee

Please email Sarah Harris with any comments or questions.

Please contact either Juan Arzola or Teresa Mendoza to place any information item as a discussion item at the next Academic Senate meeting.

**~~6. Discussion~~ 5. Discussion**

Motion made by Tracy Redden to move Discussion items before Information items. 2<sup>nd</sup>/ Lisa Hott. MSA

a. Feedback on holding instruction the week of Thanksgiving Holiday  
(Juan Arzola)

Jennifer Vega La Serna – The two days of instruction that would be removed from Thanksgiving week would be added to the end of the semester. However, the semester would need to start two days earlier. This affects the 2025 - 2026, 2026 - 2027 and 2027 - 2028 Academic Calendars.

Senators discussed removing the two days of instruction during the Thanksgiving Holiday:

Brice Nakamura – For DE, this change would align well with the weekly module schedules used by online and hybrid courses.

Randy Villegas – This change could positively affect students that have children out of school during Thanksgiving week as well.

Tracy Redden – Math is in favor of the change.

Juan Arzola will share this feedback with the members of the Academic Calendar Taskforce.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm

Submitted by Teresa Mendoza

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