

# Santa Monica College Academic Senate

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## Meeting Minutes

September 29, 2020

11:15 AM – 12:35 PM

Online Session

### I. Call to Order/Approval of Agenda

M/S: L. Hald/ A. Misaghi

Passed: 11:17 AM

### II. Public Comments

None

### III. Approval of 9/15/20 Minutes

M/S: B. Magallon/B. Antrim

Passed: 11:21 AM

### IV. Action Items

a. Curriculum (D. Nasser)

- i. Substantial Change (IARC 53 & IARC 63)

**Approved as a bloc: 11:23 AM**

- ii. Distance Education (ANTHRO, ART, COSM, COUNS, ESL, GEOG, GEOL, GIS, GLOBAL, IARC, POL SC, RRM)

**Approved as a bloc: 11:24 AM**

- iii. Online Delivery in an Emergency Context Only (BIOL, CHEM, COSM, COUNS, ENGR, PHYSCS, ZOOL)

**Approved as a bloc: 11:25 AM**

b. 20-21 Senate Goals & Objectives (N. Donahue)

- i. In relation to the first goal, the discussion focuses on accurately portraying the senate's role in closing equity gaps, given that the senate isn't the only entity on campus that can or should be working toward closing equity gaps.
- ii. Regarding fourth goal, N. Donahue mentions that some faculty are apprehensive about connecting program review to the budget committee, but that ASCCC recommends doing so.

- iii. N. Donahue raises concerns about accreditation and mentions that some colleges have standing accreditation committees.

**M/S: E. Meyer / B. Antrim**

**Passed: 12:20 PM**

## **V. Information Items**

- a. DE Student Needs Survey - N. Donahue highlights student desire for free or reduced cost textbooks.
- b. SMC Mid-Term Report - N. Donahue expresses frustration that many items receiving “kudos” in the report were met with resistance from administration.

## **VI. Adjournment**

**M/S: J. Hernandez / C. Matheson**

**Adjourned: 12:33 PM**

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**Next scheduled meeting: October 27<sup>th</sup> 11:15 AM – 12:35 PM Online Session**