



## Associated Students of Santa Monica College

A.S. Board of Directors Winter Retreat

**02/06/2026** at 9:00 AM

Cayton Center Computer Lab (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

Santa Monica College, 1900 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica, CA 90405

The Public may join via: Zoom/Telephone

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Associated Students Office Phone Number: (310) 434-4250

### Minutes

#### I. Call to Order 9:13 AM

#### II. Roll Call

President, Ailsa Ortiz **P**

Vice-President, Ike Munguntsatsralt **P**

Secretary, Alicia Lewis **P - Online**

Budget Management, Paula Cortes Hernandez **AB**

Basic Needs, Martin Orea **P - Online**

Instructional Support, Bryan Hartanto **AB**

**Student Outreach, Vacant**

Equity and Diversity, Maliyah Ponce **P**

External Affairs, Liz Li **P**

Activities, Nahomy Rivas **P**

**Publicity, Vacant**

Sustainability, Leila Kashani **P**

ICC Chair, Stacey Brown **P**

ICC Vice-Chair, Megan Reidenbaugh **P**

ICC Communications Officer, Paola Martinez **AB**

Student Trustee, Sophia Manavi **P**

Associate Dean, Thomas Bui **P**

Counselor/Advisor: Tiffany Inabu **AB**

**Quorum was established in person for this meeting. Motion to allow remote participation of Secretary and Director of Basic Needs by Sustainability. Seconded by ICC Vice Chair.**

**Motion passes without objection.**

#### III. Public Comments (2 Minutes Per Speaker) – None.

#### IV. Approval of Minutes – 11/24/2025

- Minutes are approved without objection.

#### V. Committee Reports & Informational Items –

5.1 Morning Teambuilder/Icebreaker – Office of Student Life

5.2 Brown Act Review – Student Trustee Sophia Manavi

5.3 Exemplary Leadership Workshop – A.S. President Ailsa and A.S. Secretary Alicia Lewis

- Motion to move to other action items by Sustainability. Seconded by Activities. Motion is approved without objection.

5.4 Overview of Spring Semester Timeline and Important Dates – Associate Dean, Thomas Bui

#### VI. Minor Action Items (Under \$1,000) – Consent Agenda – None.

#### VII. Major Action Items (\$1,000 and over) – None.

#### VIII. Other Action Items

##### 8.1. Action on A.S. Resolutions for SSCCC

- Motion to support A.S. Resolution by Activities. Second by Equity and Diversity.
- Motion passes without objection

##### 8.2. A.S. Election Code and Timeline

##### 8.3. A.S. Vacancies, Appointment Committee, and Timeline

- A.S. Vacancies:

- A.S. Director of Student Outreach

- A.S. Director of Publicity

- Motion to recognize vacancies by Activities. Seconded by Sustainability.

- Motion was approved without objection.

- Motion to appoint Sustainability, Activities, and Vice President to Appointment Committee by Equity and Diversity. Seconded by Activities

- Motion was approved without objection



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### **Minutes**

#### **8.4. Appointment of Interim A.S. Directors**

- A.S. President appointed the following A.S. Commissioners to serve on an interim basis while the vacancies are filled.
  - Gabriel Sanchez Franz – A.S. Director of Student Outreach
  - Samantha Jauregui – A.S. Director of Publicity

#### **IX. Discussion Items**

**9.1** SMC Enrollment – A.S. President Ailsa Ortiz

**9.2** A.S. Committee Work

- Spring Conferences
- ICC Summit
- A.S. Constitution
- Cayton Center Renovations
- A.S. Elections
- A.S. Publicity

**X. Director Reports** (2 Minutes Each)

**XI. Student Trustee Report – None.**

**XII. Advisor Reports**

- Thomas Bui, Associated Dean

**XIII. Adjournment at 2:56 PM.**

## **S11-11-11 Equitable College Funding**

**Author: Ailsa Ortiz, A.S. President, Santa Monica College**

**Sponsor: Associated Students at Santa Monica College, SSCCC Region VII, SSCCC Board of Directors**

WHEREAS, the Student-Centered Funding Formula(SCFF) allocates approximately 70 percent of California Community College system funding through enrollment-based, supplemental, and student success metrics intended to prioritize districts serving Pell Grant recipients and other low-income students [1], positioning SCFF as the primary mechanism through which the state distributes institutional operating resources tied to equity and completion outcomes; and

WHEREAS, the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office Economic Impact Study, highlights how the CCC system serves as the state's primary engine of socioeconomic mobility, enrolling more than 1.9 million students across 116 colleges and generating approximately \$128 billion in annual economic activity—equivalent to 4.2 percent of California's total state product—while supporting one out of every sixteen jobs statewide, [8] affirming community colleges as a central public asset for economic stability and workforce development; and

WHEREAS, Santa Monica College Academic Senate for Institutional Effectiveness committee analyses presented to Santa Monica College District Planning and Advisory Council indicate that SCFF excludes students who continue limited enrollment after transfer from being counted as “fully exited” and does not recognize international student success outcomes [2], resulting in institutions such as Santa Monica College recording 2,448 student transfers while only 1,697 were recognized for SCFF purposes [3], contributing to documented revenue shortfalls reflecting systemic disincentives that penalize cost-saving student enrollment behavior; and

WHEREAS, Student-Centered Funding Formula allocations are provided to districts as unrestricted funds, the eligibility criteria and outcome definitions used to calculate those allocations—including exclusions, delayed metrics, and narrow success classifications—functionally constrain institutional capacity by limiting access to funding despite demonstrated student demand and documented success outcomes [4]; so be it

RESOLVED, That the Student Senate for California Community Colleges work with the Chancellor's Office to recommend adjustments to SCFF that ensure a greater share of institutional funding is allocated without restrictive eligibility exclusions or outcome disqualifications including reducing reliance on a three-year rolling average in favor of a year-over-year increase where it more accurately reflects current enrollment and institutional costs, reaffirming cost-of-living considerations for high-cost regions, support reinstatement of full cost-of-living adjustments, and ensure that students enrolled across winter, spring, or post-transfer terms are recognized within student success metrics; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Student Senate for California Community Colleges work with the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges, local academic senates, and legislators to support the development and statewide adoption of clear, manageable, and transferable

curriculum pathways aligned with SCFF accountability measures, including pathways that recognize international student success and reduce institutional penalties tied to student enrollment persistence; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Student Senate for California Community Colleges urge the Legislature and Chancellor's Office to affirm stable and predictable state funding for community colleges by ensuring that institutional allocations reflect actual student outcomes, enrollment demand, and regional cost structures; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Student Senate for California Community Colleges recommend reforms to the Student-Centered Funding Formula that increase the proportion of funding allocated through stable, qualification-neutral base allocations, ensuring colleges are not financially penalized for student-centered enrollment behaviors, delayed outcome reporting, or success pathways that fall outside current metric definitions, while preserving local discretion over the use of allocated funds for faculty, counseling, basic needs, and academic programs aligned with student success and workforce demand.

Citations:

[1]

<https://admin.smc.edu/administration/business-services/budget/documents/WhatistheStudentCenteredFundingFormula.pdf>

[2]

<https://admin.smc.edu/administration/governance/district-planning-policies/documents/DPAC-IEC-Presentation.pdf>

[3]

<https://admin.smc.edu/administration/governance/academic-senate/committees/IE/DPACReports/2024-2025-IEC-Report-DPAC-Approved-2025-05-14.pdf>

[4]

[https://www.ccleague.org/wp-content/uploads/CCLC\\_2025\\_StudentCenteredFundingFormulaReport\\_Interactive.pdf](https://www.ccleague.org/wp-content/uploads/CCLC_2025_StudentCenteredFundingFormulaReport_Interactive.pdf)

[5]

<https://admin.smc.edu/administration/business-services/budget/documents/BudgetForum11-24-2025.pptx>

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<https://www.cccco.edu/About-Us/Chancellors-Office/Divisions/College-Finance-and-Facilities-Planning/scff-dashboard>

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<https://www.cccco.edu/About-Us/News-and-Media/cc-outlook-newsletter-archive/chancellor-column-ems-report>