



**January 15th, 2026**

Thursdays, 2:10pm-4:00pm

Join us in person: 4-301

Join us on zoom:

<https://smccd.zoom.us/j/88392078244?pwd=LCnWeHEG08G2ozZr8BGlfij2tUfBme.1>

**Academic Senate:** “the organization whose primary function, as the representative of the faculty, is to make recommendations to the administration of the college and to the Board of Trustees with respect to academic and professional matters” (CA CCR Title 5).

## Voting Members

<p><b>Executive Officers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>President:</b> Cassidy Ryan [votes in ties]</li><li>• <b>Vice President:</b> Jessica Truglio</li><li>• <b>Secretary:</b> Christopher Collins</li><li>• <b>Treasurer:</b> Tony Viertel</li><li>• <b>Past President:</b> Vacant (does not vote)</li></ul> <p><b>Senators</b></p> <p><b>ASLT:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Vincent Kang</li></ul> <p><b>BEPP</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lynsey Hemstreet</li><li>• Jill Rizzo</li></ul> <p><b>Counseling</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Suzanne Poma</li><li>• Kenny Gonzalez</li><li>• Rocio Aguilar-Pedroza</li></ul> <p><b>CTE Liaison</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tammy Calderon</li></ul>	<p><b>Language Arts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lucia Lachmayr</li><li>• Janice Sapigao</li></ul> <p><b>KAD</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Amber Steele</li></ul> <p><b>SPWD</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Christine Herndon</li></ul> <p><b>SSCA</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Roderick Magbual</li><li>• Kathy Zarur</li><li>• Jennifer Merrill</li></ul> <p><b>STEM</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rick Hough</li><li>• Vacant</li><li>• Vacant</li></ul> <p><b>SESP</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lucy Jovel</li></ul> <p><b>Part-Time Faculty</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Kishaun Young</li><li>• Vacant</li><li>• Vacant</li></ul>
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**Voting members:** 21

**Simple majority:** 11

**2/3:** 12

## Non-voting Members

<p><b>Governance Committee Chairs</b></p> <p><b>AFT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Michael Song</li></ul> <p><b>ASSC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• William Oo</li></ul> <p><b>Curriculum Committee</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rick Hough</li></ul>	<p><b>PD/CTTL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lucia Lachmayr</li></ul> <p><b>Professional Personnel</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Soledad McCarthy</li></ul> <p><b>OER Liasson</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Laurie Buchholz</li></ul>
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## 1.0 Opening Procedures and Welcome

### 1.1 Senate Networking

**Presenter:** N/A

**Time:** 10 minutes

**Notes:**

### 1.2 Call to Order/Establish Quorum

**Presenter:** President Ryan

**Time:** 1 minute

**Notes:**

### 1.3 Adoption of Agenda

**Presenter:** President Ryan

**Time:** 1 minute

**Notes:**

## 1.4 Adoption of Minutes

**Presenter:** President Ryan

**Time:** 1 minute

**Notes:** Approval of minutes from December 4th

## 1.5 Adoption of Consent Agenda

**Presenter:** President Ryan

**Time:** 5 minutes

**Notes:**

### **FT Communications Faculty - Updated Committee**

Previously Approved Committee:

Lindsey Ayotte

Danielle Powell

Ryan Lescure

Soledad McCarthy

Updated Committee:

Danielle Powell

Ryan Lescure

Soledad McCarthy

### **FT Physics Faculty- Screening Committee**

Emilie Hein

Denise Hum

Evan Leach

## 1.6 Public Comment

**Presenter:** President Ryan

**Time:** 10 minutes

**Notes:** Anyone from the public may make a comment on any non-agenda item. Speaking time is limited to 2 minutes per person.

## 2.0 New Senate Business.

### 2.1 Establishment of Institutional Review Board (IRB)

[Procedure](#) | [Information](#) | [Discussion](#) | [Action](#)

**Presenters:** Jennifer Merrill

**Time:** 20 minutes

**Notes:**

### 2.2 Treasurer update

[Procedure](#) | [Information](#) | [Discussion](#) | [Action](#)

**Presenters:** Tony Viertel

**Time:** 20 minutes

**Notes:**

### 2.3 Spring 2026 April Senate Meetings

[Procedure](#) | [Information](#) | [Discussion](#) | [Action](#)

**Presenters:** President Ryan

**Time:** 10 Minutes

**Notes:**

### 2.3 AS Spring 2026 Elections

[Procedure](#) | [Information](#) | [Discussion](#) | [Action](#)

**Presenters:** President Ryan

**Time:** 5 Minutes

**Notes:**

## 3.0 Standing Agenda Items

### 3.1 Committee Reports

**Procedure | Information | Discussion | Action**

**Presenter:** Curriculum, IEC tri-chair, FTEFAC, SPARC, Professional Personnel, CTE

**Time:** 10 minutes

**Notes:**

### 3.2 Campus Reports

**Procedure | Information | Discussion | Action**

**Presenter:** ASSC Student Rep, CTTL, AFT Reps, OER

**Time:** 10 minutes

**Notes:**

## 4.0 Announcement and Closing Procedures

### 4.1. Final Announcements

**Presenter:** President Ryan

**Time:** 5 minutes

**Notes:**

### 4.2. Motion to Adjourn

**Presenter:** President Ryan

**Time:** 1 minute

**Notes:** Next meeting is February 5th . If you would like to request an item be put on the agenda (Consent, discussion, action or information) please submit your request for the next meeting by January 27th by 12:00pm. You can request an agenda item [here](#)

## Academic and Professional Matters, AB 1725 “10 + 1”

1. Curriculum, including establishing prerequisites and placing courses within disciplines
2. Degree and certificate requirements
3. Grading policies
4. Educational program development
5. Standards or policies regarding student preparation and success
6. District and college governance structures, as related to faculty roles
7. Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes, including self-study and annual reports
8. Policies for faculty professional development activities
9. Processes for program review
10. Processes for institutional planning and budget development
11. Other academic and professional matters as are mutually agreed upon between the governing board and the academic senate