



Skyline College

Agenda for April 04, 2024

Thursdays, 2:10pm-4:00pm

Join us in person: 4-301

Join us on zoom: <https://smccd.zoom.us/j/86803721214>

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

Executive Officers

- **President:** Lindsey Ayotte [votes in ties]
- **Vice President:** Cassidy Ryan-White
- **Secretary:** Jessica Truglio
- **Treasurer:** Sima Karve
- **Past President:** Leigh Anne Shaw [non-voting]

Senators

ASLT:

- Andrea Fuentes

BEPP

- Herlene Grace Beltran
- Tammy Calderon

Counseling

- Joyce Lee
- Mandy Lucas
- Kenny Gonzales

GLPS

- TBD

Language Arts

- Katie Hern/Nathan Jones
- Jarrod Feiner
- Janice Sapigao

KAD

- Amber Steele

SPWD

- Alexa Moore

SSCA

- Rika Yonemura-Fabian
- Kathy Zarur
- Jennifer Merrill

STEM

- Miranda Wang
- Michael Song
- TBD

CTE Senator

- Soledad McCarthy

Part-Time Faculty

- Sujatha (Suji) Venkataraman
- Maryam Khan
- Jessica Silver-Sharp

Voting members: 24

Simple majority: 13

2/3: 15

Non-voting Members

Governance Committee Chairs

- **Curriculum Co-Chairs:** Jessica Hurless & Bianca Rowden-Quince
- **Professional Personnel:** Lynsey Hemstreet

Advisory Members

AFT

- Marianne Kaletzky

ASSC

- Win Shwe Yee

Classified Senate

- Marisa Thigpen

PD/CTTL

- TBD

SEED

- TBD

Guided Pathways

- Herlene Grace Beltran and Jessica Hurless

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- Ame Maloney

1.0 Opening Procedures and Welcome

1.1 Senate Networking

Presenter: President Ayotte

Time: 10 minutes

Notes:

1.2 Call to Order/Establish Quorum

Presenter: President Ayotte

Time: 1 minute

Notes:

1.3 Adoption of Agenda

Presenter: President Ayotte

Time: 1 minute

Notes: A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Vice President Ryan and was seconded by Senator Feiner. All voting members voted to approve the agenda.

1.4 Adoption of Minutes

Presenter: President Ayotte

Time: 1 minute

Notes: A motion to approve the minutes from the [March 21, 2024](#) meeting was made by Senator Beltran and was seconded by Senator McCarthy. With no discussion, a roll call vote was taken with 13 votes in favor and 7 abstentions. The minutes passed.

1.5 Adoption of Consent Agenda

Presenter: President Ayotte

Time: 1 minute

Notes:

Faculty Name Readers for 2024 Commencement

- Grace Beltran
- Tammy Calderon
- Soledad McCarthy

Faculty Marshall for 2024 Commencement

- Rosie Bell

1.6 Public Comment

Presenter: President Ayotte

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.

Soledad McCarthy-I want to bring up the unequitable and unfair student hiring practices. We take grand money and federal funds to support programs such a Project Change and formerly incarcerated students. We lure them to campus with the promise of an education that will lead to employment.

It has been 7 months and I have still not been able to hire my student as an ambassador because she was previously incarcerated. We use words like woke, equity and anti-racist, yet we are holding our students back from being employed as student ambassadors. My previous student ambassador was told he would never work as an ambassador, nor would he work in education by a dean. He is now in his master's degree program in education and working at a high school. Our actions at the College must mirror the language we use at The College.

Andrea Fuentes- April 18 Flex Day Registration is now open! All faculty including all part-time faculty are welcome to attend in-person or online. See the agenda and register at <https://skylinecollege.edu/flexday/index.php#flex-day-agenda-418>- Also, the PD Coordinators Andrea Fuentes and Chris Collins want to hear from you and your constituents with any suggestions or requests for planning Fall Flex Day! We are going to be on the agenda for an upcoming Senate meeting, so please bring ideas and suggestions, or reach out to Andrea or Chris.

President Ayotte- Elections: The nomination form will remain open until Friday 4/5 until 5:00pm. Please make announcements at your division meetings (if they are taking place tomorrow) and encourage your fellow faculty members to self-nominate and consider running. The only division that has full nominations is STEM. All other division still have seats available.

2.0 New Senate Business

2.1 ASCCC Spring Plenary Resolution Review

Procedure | Information | Discussion | Action

Presenters: President Ayotte

Time: 30 minutes

Notes: The proposed [ASCCC Spring Plenary Resolutions](#).

Member of senate had questions and or comments about the following resolutions:

- **113.05 S24 Provisionally Support AB 2407 (Hart as of February 12, 2024) on Sexual Harassment Complaints**-Several members mentioned they are in support of this item.
- **111.01 S24 Adopt the Paper *Part-time Faculty: Equity, Rights, and Roles in Governance***-several members commented that they wish for us to endorse this item.
- **112.03 S24 Disciplines List — Art-** members had questions regarding the fact that film photography and film were left off the list of minimum qualifications for art faculty.

Following the discussion, faculty were asked to share the Resolutions with their constituents in order to elicit feedback prior to April 18th.

2.2 Academic Senate Funds Discussion

Procedure | Information | Discussion | Action

Presenters: Lynsey Hemstreet and Sima Karve

Time: 20 minutes

Notes: Lynsey Hemstreet, Professional Personnel Chair and Sima Karve, Treasurer led a discussion to options for how we would like to allocate our Academic Senate funds (\$1,802). The following options were discussed:

- hosting a lottery draw and pay for selected student's regalia for graduation
- scholarship for Palestinian students
- paying application fees for transfer students

The discussion included how the logistics might work for paying the application fees as well as the possibility of splitting the money for two separate uses. There were some comments made regarding the focus of a scholarship for Palestinian students possibly being too narrow and specific. One suggestion was made to use funds to purchase a set of graduation gowns so that Academic Senate could then re-use those gowns for future students.

A call for a time extension was made by Vice President Ryan and was seconded by Senator Song. The following motion was made by President Ayotte and was seconded by Senator Feiner: Put aside half of the funds to put towards sponsoring regalia purchases for students and to vote at a later date between:

- a scholarship for a Palestinian student
- scholarships for transfer student application fees

A rollcall vote was taken with 15 in favor and 6 abstentions. The motion passed.

2.3 Reassign Time Transparency Conversation/Task Group

Procedure | Information | Discussion | Action

Presenter: President Ayotte

Time: 10 minutes

Notes:

The following members volunteered to serve on this work group:

Lindsey Ayotte

Cassidy Ryan

Bianca Rowden-Quince

Soledad McCarthy

A motion to approve this work group was made by President Ayotte and was seconded by Senator Feiner.

2.4 Climate Review Results Discussion

Procedure | **Information** | **Discussion** | **Action**

Presenters: Ingrid Vargas, Dean of PRIE

Time: 30 minutes

Notes: Dean Vargas met with Academic Senate to have a dialogue regarding the [climate review results](#). Her ask of senate members was for faculty to provide proposed changes that could be made to improve the areas of concern addressed in the climate report. Members had the following recommendations to share:

- How will these recommendations be handled differently than previous recommendations (ie: campus safety and lighting issues.)
- How is it that some of the concerns that have been reported previously have not been addressed in the meantime? (ie: wifi and having landlines in classrooms).
- It would be helpful to know the division between issues that are related to each specific campus vs. the district.
- How are the issues of reported racial tensions being addressed?
- Specifically related to “institutional trauma”, does the cabinet have any ideas to address issues?
- Acknowledgement of issues that are happening on campus and outward, timely communication from the cabinet. The lack of this acknowledgement or transparency has bred mistrust amongst campus.
- When issues happen on campus, it is important for faculty to receive timely and accurate information.
- Classified professionals need access to professional development opportunities and be treated as equals.
- When faculty have concerns, it feels like we are talking to a wall.
- More transparency and honesty even when things aren’t positive
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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:

AFT: next [membership meeting](#) will be held next Wednesday, April 10th from 2:30-4:30 at Canada college or on zoom.

IEC: [CPR Shareout Information](#)

CTE: Business Expo week coming up. Please watch out for more information coming by email.

4.0 Announcement and Closing Procedures

4.1. Final Announcements

Presenter: President Ayotte

Time: 5 minutes

Notes: Future Spring 2024 Academic Senate Meetings Dates:

- May 2nd
- May 16th

4.2. Motion to Adjourn

Presenter: President Ayotte

Time: 1 minute

Notes: The next meeting of the Spring 2024 semester is on Thursday May 2, 2024. 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 Friday April 19, 2024 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