



Academic Senate Minutes—September 5, 2024

Facilitator: Sean Moore—Academic Senate President
Recorder: Michael Vanoverbeck **Time Keeper:** Michael Vanoverbeck
Date: September 5, 2024 / **Time:** 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Location: IB1-106

Vision:
Compton College will be the leading institution of student learning and success in higher education.
Mission Statement:
Compton College is a welcoming and inclusive community where diverse students are supported to pursue and attain student success. Compton College provides solutions to challenges, utilizes the latest techniques for preparing the workforce and provides clear pathways for completion of programs of study, transition to a university, and securing living-wage employment.

Attendees:
Officers
Sean Christopher Moore_X_; Minodora Moldoveanu_X_; Michael Vanoverbeck_X_;
Senators:
Mayela Rodriguez_X_; Juan Tavarez_X_; Mandeda Uch_X_; Andree Valdry_X_; Susan Johnson_X_; Eckko Blake_X_; Carlos Maruri_X_; Janette Morales_X_; Liliana Huerta_X_; Bria Roberts_X_; Nathan Lopez_X_; Pam West_X_; Jesse Mills__; Michael VanOverbeck_X_; Hassan Elfarissi_X_; Jose Martinez__; Kent Schwitkis_X_; Jose Villalobos_X_; Roza Ekimyan_X_; Shirley Thomas__; Angela Burrell__; Victoria Martinez_X_;
Ex Officio – Voting Members
David Chavez_X_; Charles Hobbs_X_; Mayela Rodriguez_X_; Brad Conn_X_;
Non-Voting Attendees
Sheri Berger_X_; Selene Aguirre_X_; Amari Williams_X_; Diego Aguilar_X_

<u>AGENDA:</u>
Call to order at 2:03pm
1. Approval of Agenda: September 5, 2024.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Juan T. motioned to approve the agenda. Brad C. seconded. - Unanimously approved
2. Approval of Minutes: June 6, 2024.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victoria M. motioned to approve minutes. Ekko B. seconded. - Unanimously approved

3. Reports and Follow-up Questions from Attendees:

- **Pam W. motioned to open reports 3a to 3f. Carlos M. seconded.**

- a) President Report, Academic Senate
 - The Collaborative Governance Review and Recommendation Report will be reviewed during the Consultative Council on September 9th and included in the campus-wide CEO message next Thursday.
 - Reported on the current faculty vacancies in various committees and encouraged colleagues to join.
 - b) Vice President, Academic Senate
 - Explained the new common course numbering system, where disciplines will use the first four letters followed by a 'C' and a number. Discussed the implementation phases and the need for board approval by December.
 - c) College Curriculum Committee Chair
 - Discussed the articulation of Ethnic Studies 101 and 101H for honors eligibility, approved two-year course reviews for Nursing 146 and Communications 120, and addressed action items for the Non-Credit Nursing Assistant Program and new Ethnic Studies courses on African American, Native American, and Asian Studies.
 - d) Distance Education Faculty Coordinator
 - Reported on the approval of two LTIs, the appointment of a new associate dean and instructional designer, and issues with fraudulent AI students in online classes.
 - e) Faculty Development Chair
 - f) Vice President, Academic Affairs
 - Importance on meeting the December 1st deadline for submitting courses for approval for Cal-GETC.
 - Faculty need to quickly address changes for articulation, with all approvals required by the November board meeting.
 - Title V changes to general education requirements, including health and PE, must be updated in board policies and regulations by the end of the fall semester, effective Fall 2025.
 - Common course numbering changes are being implemented, including new subject codes. Faculty are encouraged to engage in the process.
 - Elaborated on the measures being taken to identify and report fraudulent students in online classes, including collaboration with various departments and reporting to the Chancellor's Office.
- **Carlos M. motioned to close reports. Pam W. seconded.**

4. Curriculum Consent Agenda Item(s): None at this time.

5. Presentations:

- **Carlos M. motioned to table 5a. Susan J. Seconded. - Unanimously approved**

- a) Jennifer Burchette—EEO Annual Certification Summary (10 minutes).

- **Carlos M. motioned to open presentation 5b. Susan J. seconded.**

- b) Amari Williams—Mission Statement Review Process (10 minutes).

- Discussed the development of the Compton 2035 plan and the review of the mission statement.
- A survey will be conducted to gather feedback from the campus community.
- Amari took senate questions
 - Suggestion from the committee included adding “welcoming diverse faculty and staff” to the statement
- **Carlos M. motioned to close presentation 5b. Jose V. seconded.**

6. Discussion Item(s):

- **Carlos M. motioned to open discussion items 6a thru d. Ekko B. seconded.**
- a) Ombudsman: [IOA Modern Ombuds Messaging Introduction video](#), and [International Ombuds Association webpage](#).
 - Introduced the concept of an ombudsman, showing a video and discussing its potential role in providing confidential, neutral, and independent guidance. The discussion was opened for feedback.
 - Various speakers discussed the potential benefits and concerns, including the impartiality of the service, cost, how it differs from HR and how this would work alongside union policies and practices.
 - It was shared that universities have ombudsman on a fulltime basis.
 - The Committee would like to have the company come out for a presentation, a chance to ask them questions and get more information.
- b) Updating syllabus template to include mandatory and optional items.
 - Proposed combining mandatory and optional syllabus items into one document to streamline the process for faculty.
 - The committee would like to view both items on single document.
- c) Continuing to disperse via email ASCCC announcements, or sign up for Listservs independently: [ASCCC Listserv Sign Up For Newsletters webpage](#) embedded link in the webpage’s title.
 - Seeking feedback on the idea of reducing the number of emails by sending a weekly round-up of all announcements and information, instead of multiple emails each week.
 - The committee agreed with a weekly email
- d) Future Academic Senate agenda recommendation items.
 - None

Ekko B. motioned to close discussion items 6a thru d. Pam W. seconded.

7. Administrative Regulation(s) (AR) First Read:

Carlos M. motioned to open 7a for first read. Victoria M. seconded.

- a) AR 4222 Remedial Coursework
 - Concerns were shared about how people who want to re-enter education receive remedial courses? Faculty shared their experiences with students and the community that we serve and the need for remedial courses.

- The college cannot obtain apportionment for remedial courses that are not approved by the chancellor's office. Rules prohibit our college from offering remedial courses.
- It was recommended to add the discussion of policies regarding student preparation and success to future agendas, with an emphasis on the Academic Senate's 10 plus 1 rules.

Pam W. motioned to close 7a Bria R. seconded

Carlos M. motioned to extend meeting by 15-minutes. Victoria M. seconded. Rosa E. and Mayela R. opposed. Motion to extend meeting by 15-minutes was approved.

Rosa E. motioned to open 7b Andre V. seconded

b) AR 4225 Course Repetition

- Discussed the need to review Administrative Regulation 4225 earlier than the usual five-year cycle due to recent title 5 changes. The policy is technical and requires careful reading from everyone.
- Suggested adding clarity to the policy by explicitly listing Excused Withdrawal (EW) and Military Withdrawal (MW) as exceptions under extenuating circumstances.

Rosa E. motioned to close 7b. Pam W. seconded

Rosa E. motioned to table the rest of the agenda items until the next meeting. Kent S. seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 3:43pm

c) AR 3200 Accreditation

8. Informational Items:

- a) Civility Champion Faculty Award: Susan Johnson, Assistant Professor, English
- b) Outstanding Faculty Award: Theresa Barragan-Echeverria, Associate Professor, Counseling
- c) Compton College Syllabus Checklist document: Updated hyperlinks, sections (XVI) *Mandatory Reporting*, and (XVII) *Title IX Information*.
- d) Vacancy Committee Membership Tables: (a) Institutional Effectiveness Committee One-1; (b) Enrollment Management Committee One-1; (c) Guided Pathways Committee Two-2, (d) Health and Benefits Committee Two-2.
- e) Zero Textbook Cost Program: Acceleration II, Impact, and OER Expansion Grants.
- f) Compton College Academic Senate—Summary of Decisions June 10, 2024
- g) Dr. Curry's Response to Academic Senate Decisions From the June 6, 2024 Meeting.
- h) Dr. Curry's Response to Senate Decisions From the March 7, March 21st, and April 4th Senate Meeting.

9. Academic Senate Senator Comments and/or Future Agenda Item Recommendation(s):

a) Academic Senate Senators may provide a comment or future agenda item recommendation(s).

10. Public Comment(s):

a) Public comments may be presented.