

Academic Senate Minutes—September 18, 2025

Facilitator: Sean Moore—Academic Senate President

Recorder: Michael VanOverbeck—Secretary **Timekeeper:** Victoria Martinez

Date: September 18, 2025 / **Time:** 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Vision:

Compton College will be the leading institution of student learning and success in higher education.

Mission Statement:

Compton College is an equity-driven, inclusive community resource dedicated to providing opportunities and support for historically underserved student populations, particularly students of color. We cultivate a sense of belonging to support students in achieving their academic goals. Compton College provides students with knowledge, strategies, and skills needed for workforce readiness and facilitates clear pathways for program completion and transfer to four-year institutions; all aimed at enhancing the well-being of our local community.

Attendees

Officers: Sean Christopher Moore_X_; Hassan Elfarissi_X_; and Michael VanOverbeck_X_.

Senators: Mayela Rodriguez_X_; Juan Tavaréz_X_; Mandeda Uch_X_; Andree Valdry_X_; Susan Johnson_X_; Eckko Blake_X_; Carlos Maruri_X_; Janette Morales_X_; Karina Lopez_X_; Nathan Lopez_X_; Pam West_X_; Jesse Mills_X_; Manzoor Ahmad_X_; Kent Schwitkis_X_; Jose Villalobos_X_; Roza Ekimyan_X_; Samitha Givens_X_; and Victoria Martinez_X_.

Ex Officio Voting Members: David Chavez_X_; Charles Hobbs_X_; and Brad Conn_X_.

Nonvoting Attendees: Sheri Berger_X_; Nichelle Elaine Spencer_X_; Pamela Wilkerson_X_; Heather Parnock_X_; Brian Dean_X_; Lorena Villarreal_X_; Stefani Baez_X_.

Meeting started at 2:03pm

AGENDA:

1. Approval of Agenda: September 18, 2025.

Roza E. Motioned to approve the agenda. Pam W. Seconded. Unanimously approved.

2. Approval of Minutes: September 4, 2025.

Brad C. Motioned to approve the minutes. Victoria M. Seconded. Unanimously approved.

Victoria M. Motioned to open 3a-e. Jesse M. Seconded.

3. Reports and Follow-up Questions from Attendees:

- a) President, Academic Senate
 - From the District: Response to the Academic Senate – Summary of Decisions Made at the June 5, 2025, Meetings—Initially received on Monday, September 8, 2025, at 11:23 a.m.
 - Sent to the District: Summary of Decision(s) from the September 4, 2025, Academic Senate Meeting.
 - Curriculum Consent Agenda Items: There were no curriculum items approved at the September 9, 2025, Curriculum Committee meeting. As a result, there is none listed on this agenda.
 - Vacant FDC position: Requesting funding for position to receive release time.
- b) Vice President, Academic Senate
 - Federal government cutting funding for Hispanic serving institutions (HSI).
 - ROI concerns.
- c) College Curriculum Committee Chair
- d) Distance Education Faculty Coordinator
 - Within the California Virtual Campus (CVC), 126 students are taking classes at Compton College from other California Community Colleges.
 - Regarding the Liquid Syllabus, there are now 77 faculty (Full-time and Part-Time) that have them created.
- e) Vice President, Academic Affairs
 - Compton college had a supplemental HSI grant that has run out but the loss of federal HSI funding will not significantly affect Compton college.
 - ADT program revision updates

Jesse M. Motioned to close 3a-e. Pam W. Seconded.

Charles H. Motioned to open 4. Roza E. Seconded.

- 4. Presentation:** Pamela Wilkerson—Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Annual Certification Report.
 - Overview of the completed 2025 Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) annual certification form.

Manzoor A. Motioned to close 4. Pam W. Seconded.

Pam W. motioned to open 5a. David C. seconded.

5. Discussion Items:

- a) AR/BP 7400 Employee Travel Recommended Language: LGBTQ+ work group voted unanimously on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at their regular meeting to approve the following language for the Academic Senate to consider adopting for our AR/BP 7400 district policy. Before the Academic Senate makes a formal recommendation for the District to consider, Pamela Wilkerson will be providing clarification. Additionally, the LGBTQ+ work group recommends the Academic Senate consider developing a liability waiver addendum in consultation with the Office of Human Resources, the Office of the President/CEO and other district entities to determine (1) what protocol will the district follow (if any) in the event a

participant is harmed or injured and (2) who is legally responsible for the safety of participant(s) during such district sponsored travel.

Brad C. motioned to close 5a. Jesse M. Seconded.

Jesse M. motioned to open 5b. Carlos M. Seconded.

- b) AR & BP 3750- Use of Copyrighted Materials: Heather Parnock was tasked with drafting a BP and AR on the use of copyrighted materials. Since it touches on instruction, it was requested to have these added to the next Senate agenda so she could discuss and receive feedback from the Senate before they move forward in the process.
- Currently do not have any AR or BP regarding the use of copyrighted materials. AR and BP 3750 are broad statements that covers some of the details of how to follow the copyright laws.
 - Questions from senate:
 - i. Question about requests from the public to make copies of yearbooks being held in the library.
 - ii. How does this translate with online canvas use.
 - iii. Can eBooks be purchased for the library and then students get library access to the eBook online? Only a single eBook needing purchase?

Brad C. Motioned to close 5b. Jesse M. Seconded.

David C. motioned to open 5c. Kent S. Seconded.

- c) Incomplete Contract: Brian Dean requested to present the new form/process to the Academic Senate for information and discussion. Can you please add to the next Senate agenda. He will be present at the meeting.
- Would like input about the creation of an Incomplete contract/form/agreement that aligns with AR4130 that a student and instructor can use under certain circumstances.
 - Critical on this form is the inclusion of the deadline to complete the agreement.
 - Both the student and instructor should sign the document (if capable).
 - Make requirements clear.

Manzoor A. motioned to close 5c. Roza E. Seconded.

Charles H. motioned to extend meeting by 5 minutes. Kent S. seconded. 1 nay. The rest ayes. Motion passes to extend meeting by 5 minutes.

Kent S. Motioned to table 5d, 6 and 7. Samitha G. Seconded.

- d) Sanctuary Campus Resolution: The District did not approve the proposed resolution. As it remains an important topic, it is included on the agenda for discussion with the Senate.

6. Second Read: [ROI Recommendations, Initial Thoughts, and Questions.](#)

7. Tabled Item from the September 4, 2025, Academic Senate Meeting:

- a) *ROI Taskforce*: Establishing a ROI Taskforce to provide and finalize ROI recommendations for the Academic Senate to approve and recommend to the District.

Mayela R. motioned to open 8. Kent S. seconded.

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

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

- Would like to discuss AR6700
- Conversation about free speech on campus

Charles H. motioned to close 8. Kent S. Seconded.

Kent S. motioned to open 9. Charles H. seconded.

9. Public Comment(s):

Note: Public comments may be presented.

Kent S. motioned to close 9. Mayela R. Seconded.

Meeting ended at 3:35pm
