

Cañada College Academic Senate

1:00pm – 2:50pm

Location: the Faculty Teaching and Learning Center and Lounge (Cañada Bldg 9-154)

[Zoom option for guests](#) (Meeting ID: 825 6639 9062)

Agenda 2/27/2025

No.	Item/Topic	Presenter	Time	Action
1	Call to Order	Shankar	1	Procedure
2	Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome and thank you for attending. • Officers may not send substitutes (but division reps may) • Please hold your questions until after a presentation is completed • With limited time for all, be considerate of giving others a chance to speak too • Please stay within the allotted time for the topic 	Shankar	2	Information
3	Adoption of Consent Agenda	Shankar	1	Action
4 - Consent Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All items on the consent agenda may be approved by unanimous consent of the Academic Senate members present. The absence of objection establishes consent. • Before approval, reasonable time must be allowed for any Senate member or guest to ask questions about a particular item. • Any person may request that an item be removed from the Consent agenda to be discussed in the order listed as part of the regular Senate Business. • For appointments, Faculty names being nominated are highlighted 				
4.1	Minutes 2/13/25			
4.2	Planning and Budgeting Committee – Faculty Representative IPC representative to PBC: Erik Gaspar/Lisa Palmer and [also shared with Karen Engel] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erik Gaspar (<i>Will attend: March 19, May 7, and May 21</i>) • Lisa Palmer (<i>Will attend: March 5 and April 16</i>) 			
4.3	Instructional Planning Council Vacancies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Librarian Representative: vacant (replacing Diana Tedone-Goldstone until end of Spring 2025 semester) 			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At-large Representative: vacant Spring 2025 semester substitute [after Allison Hughes goes on leave] 			
4.4	Academic Senate Faculty Representatives – Appointments to Current Vacancies ASLT: Academic Support and Learning Technologies: Carlos Luna			
4.5	Medical Assisting Faculty Screening Hiring Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ritu Malhotra (Medical Assisting, Discipline Expert) Elsa Torres Leonor Cabrera Althea Kippes Alex Kramer (Division Dean) 			
5 - Public Comment				
5.1	Questions/comments on non-agenda items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In addition to sharing comments during the meeting, anyone is welcome to submit comments on non-agenda items in writing before the meeting. If you want to pass along a written comment, please email your representative or an Academic Senate officer, such as (canacademicsenate@smccd.edu). Please share any written comments at least one day in advance to help ensure that your message is received in time for the meeting. 	Public	5	Information
6 - Senate Business				
6.1	Adoption of Regular Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The order of the regular agenda items may be approved by unanimous consent of the Academic Senate members present. Consent is established by the absence of objection. Presenters may request an item to be withdrawn during the adoption of the regular agenda. 	Shankar	1 (start ≈ 1:10 pm)	Action
6.2	Spring Plenary in Irvine, California 4/24 - 4/26) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traditionally, Senate sponsors the Registration fee (\$595 for this event) 	Shankar	5 (start ≈ 1:10 pm)	Discussion

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hotel & Travel would be individual's responsibility, such from application towards PD funds • Considerations for future actionable agenda item: How can we encourage senators/faculty to engage even more actively, such as by serving in academic senate? Would the senate consider setting aside some funds for future plenary events? 			
6.3	Undocumented Students – Check-In on Support and Resources <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check-in on whether there is any confusion around District resources, including the Undocumented Community Resources and Red Know-Your-Rights Card • College of San Mateo Academic Senate’s Resolution in Support of Undocumented Students 	Malamud	10 (start ≈ 1:15 pm)	
6.4	Services Program (FSE) - Program Improvement and Viability (PIV) Committee – Process Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extension was granted by Academic Senate until end of Spring-25 • PIV Website for more information • Next steps and timelines 	Eck	10 (start ≈ 1:25 pm)	Information
6.5	Request to support a District Senate task group to evaluate the adoption of a software platform for faculty tenure and evaluation process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on the Tenure Software System • Proposal to Evaluate Tenure Software System 	Lisle (Interim-VPI Skyline)	20 (start ≈ 1:35 pm)	Action
6.6	Workforce Violence Prevention Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As of July 2024, SMCCD now has a Workplace Violence Prevention Plan, which is now required California state regulation (SB553). • Related: Cañada's Safety Committee Discussions in Sept-2024 Meeting • This agenda item is intended to raise awareness of the Workplace Violence Prevention Plan and also to encourage faculty to send any feedback on improving the plan to our College’s Safety Committee, AFT, and/or Academic Senate. 	Eck / Malamud	10 (start ≈ 1:55 pm)	Information

6.7	<p>Discussion on Academic Freedom</p> <p>Background Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BP 6.35 Academic Freedom and AP 6.35.1 Academic Freedom • ASCCC Fall 2020 Position Paper on Academic Freedom: Protecting the Future of Academic Freedom During a Time of Significant Change • Proposed actions: 1) Draft a resolution in support of the AFT union to make academic freedom part of the union contract and 2) recommend that District Academic Senate appoint at least one faculty member to work with AFT members who are working on an academic freedom proposal and that David Eck be at least one of those Academic Senate representatives. 	Eck	10 (start ≈ 2:05 pm)	Action
6.8	<p>OER/ZTC Transitions – Staffing for position</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant Funded • Still gathering more input on job requirements, title, etc. • Non-Faculty Position • Seeking faculty views • Presentation Materials: OER-ZTC Transitions 	Rana	10 (start ≈ 2:15 pm)	Discussion
7 - Regular Reports				
7.1	<p>President’s report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elections for President & VP of Senate coming up in March • District Academic Senate (DAS) meeting at Cañada on 3/10 • Follow-up on Unconscious Bias Training Class timings from prior senate meeting 	Shankar	4	Information
7.2	<p>Treasurer’s report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For this meeting, please submit your reports in writing • Time permitting, you can share details that are important and need to be further highlighted 	Aranyakul	1	Information

7.3	Curriculum Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For this meeting, please submit your reports in writing Time permitting, you can share details that are important and need to be further highlighted Phase-2 CCN course templates 	Palmer	3	Information
7.4	Professional Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For this meeting, please submit your reports in writing Time permitting, you can share details that are important and need to be further highlighted 	Eslamieh	2	Information
8 - Other Reports, Meetings and Deadlines				
8.1	Upcoming Events, Meetings, Deadlines, and Any Additional Comments on Non-Agenda Items Important Dates relevant for faculty: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> March academic senate meetings are on 3/13/2025 and 3/27/25 SMCCCD Board of Trustees Regular Meeting (2/25 at 6 pm) 			
9	Adjourn	Shankar		Procedure

Per the Ralph M. Brown Act and SB 751, minutes of the Cañada College Academic Senate will record the votes of all members as follows:

- 1. (1) Members recorded as absent are presumed not to have voted;*
- 2. (2) the names of members voting in the minority or abstaining are recorded;*
- 3. (3) all other members are presumed to have voted in the majority.*

Academic Senate for the (2024-25) academic year:

- President: Gampi Shankar
- Vice President: Monica Malamud
- Secretary: Lisa Palmer
- Treasurer: Sarah Aranyakul
- Adjunct Representative: Richard Schulke
- Curriculum Committee: **VACANT (Role being covered by Lisa Palmer)**
- PD: Professional Development: Salumeh Eslamieh
- ASLT: Academic Support and Learning Technologies: Carlos Luna
- Business, Design & Workforce Division: Hyla Lacefield
- HSS: Humanities and Social Sciences Division (and Past President): David Eck
- KAD: Kinesiology, Athletics, and Dance: Ana Miladinova
- STEM: Science and Technology Division: Ellen Young
- SS: Student Services/Counseling: Sandra Mendez