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 11/13/2025

Meetings of the Academic Senate are open to all members of the public.

Materials are posted on the meeting page of the Academic Senate website.

No.	Item/Topic	Presenter	Time	Action
1	Call to Order	Shankar	1	Procedure
2	Introductions 1. We hope all senators will take the chance to study the detailed materials that are provided and included on the agenda. Hopefully, these are useful in preparing and coming to the Senate meetings to listen, discuss, be informed and/or act. 2. *Please respect and stay within the allocated time, if presenting or if you have the floor, also being respectful of giving others a chance to speak too.* 3. For 'Discussion' items, you may want to leave a few minutes of allocated time at the end!	Shankar	3	Information
3	**Adoption of Consent Agenda**	Shankar	2	Action

5 - Consent Agenda

- 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.

5.1	Minutes 10/23/2025
5.2	**EAPC Faculty Representatives** • ASLT— **VACANT**
5.3	**BDW Committee Appointments** • Planning & Budget Council (PBC): **VACANT**

5.4	**Planning and Budget Council Committee appointments 2025-2026 Planning and Budgeting Council (PBC) Membership** • BDW Faculty Representative: **VACANT** • EAPC Faculty Representative: **VACANT** • ASLT Faculty Representative: **VACANT**
5.5	**Student Services Planning Council (SSPC) - Faculty Appointment** • "Instructional faculty" position: **VACANT**
5.6	**2025-2026 Curriculum Committee Membership** • HSS representative: **VACANT** • Science and Technology: **VACANT** • **ASLT: Julian Taylor** • **Counseling: Jenna French**
5.7	**Academic Senate Faculty Representatives – Appointments to Current Vacancies** • **HSS**: Humanities and Social Sciences Division: **VACANT**
5.8	**Safety Committee** • Faculty Rep. Appointed by AFT – **VACANT** • Adjunct Faculty Rep. Appointed by Senate – **VACANT**
5.9	**Speaker Honorarium (Requested by Julie Carey)** Requesting a $150 Speaker Honorarium for ESL 912 (one section, during class time, 11/13). For several semesters, a former ESL student, Olga Perez, has visited ESL 912 to share her expertise as a successful business owner of Wyloly printing company. Olga and her life and business partner, Mauricio Icaza, built this company from the ground up, starting with $200 in a tiny corner of their apartment. In her lecture, she shares her mistakes, successes, tips, and resources for opening a business (something many ESL students are interested in doing). We are excited for her to be joined this semester by Mauricio, who is a graphic designer. Together they will guide students in the process of creating promotional materials for a final class project event that the class also hosts. Due to the volatile nature of the political climate for immigrant students and the fact that this is a specific workshop for our class final project, we will not be opening the guest lecture up to nonregistered students.
6 - Public Comment	

6	Questions/comments on non-agenda items • 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 would like 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 (start ≈ 1:10 pm)	Information
6 - Senate Business				
6.0	**Adoption of Regular Agenda** • 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 ≈ 1:15 pm)	Action
6.1	**Faculty Personnel Request Presentations at PBC** • Reminder: As with last year, faculty have the option for PBC presentations on program review process. However, those are still visible for College President that will make decision, and there is no requirement for faculty to present at PBC. • Prioritization of the requests at Senate, before we recommend to College President, is our choice	Shankar	5 (start ≈ 1:15 pm)	Discussion
6.2	**Division Evaluation Committees – Reminder & potential Action** • Division representatives: please remind your Deans that they will need to find at least three tenured faculty from each division to form a Division Evaluation Committee.	Eck	5 (start ≈ 1:20 pm)	Information, Action

	• This committee is for any tenured faculty undergoing Spring evaluation.			
6.3	**Process for Dropping Students from a Course After Census** • Addressing concerns we heard in Senate regarding when faculty can or cannot drop students • VPI and Dean of Enrollment to visit regarding this broad issue and the options they would like to address	Hsieh / Bennani	15 (start ≈ 1:25 pm)	Discussion
6.4	**Search Committee for permanent Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS)** • Received request for the Academic Senate's support in recommending three faculty members to serve on the committee. The committee's work will be in the Spring semester. The requested representatives are: o One from the Social Sciences o One from English o One from ESL • Current submissions: o Katie Schertle (ESL) o Doniella Maher (English) o Alison Field (Social Sciences – History)	Shankar	10 (start ≈ 1:40pm)	Action
6.5	**Program Improvement and Viability Process - Draft Revisions** • Academic Senate formed a workgroup (Doug Hirzel, Gampi, Shankar, and Dave Eck) to suggest possible updates to our college's Program Improvement and Viability Process. • Fall 2025 Draft Updates to Program Improvement and Viability Process • This agenda item will be a first Academic Senate review of the suggested updates to the PIV process. Any changes to the process would be approved by Academic Senate at a later meeting.	Eck, Shankar, and Hirzel	20 (start ≈ 1:50pm)	Information, Discussion

6.6	**CTE Liaison Role and Status for Fall-25** Prof. Tawakoli is our CTE Liaison representative in Senate. Here are the description and function of the CTE Liaison Role • Highlights and updates for Fall-2025 • What should faculty be aware of, regarding CTE that may be new for some or many	Tawakoli / Kramer / Jaciw	15 (start ≈ 2:10 pm)	Information
6.7	**ASCCC Fall-2025 Plenary Updates** Updates on important actions taken, regarding resolutions that were discussed, including those that were passed or voted down.	Shankar / Eck	5 (Start 2:25 pm)	Information
7 - Regular Reports				

7.1	President's report
	• The following were approved on 11/5 at the PBC meeting and are being submitted for Board approval on 11/19:
	  ○ The Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER)
	  ○ The 2025-28 Student Equity Plan (SEAP)
	• **WebSmart 9 Faculty Services update has occurred**. ITS has resolved the issue that prevented faculty from dropping students.
	• Status of District A.I. Community of Practice (CoP). Events (ALL are on Zoom to support and encourage participation from each campus.
	  ○ November 7th from 12:30pm-1:30pm- Getting started on AI with Tech Tools (hosted by DTLC)
	  ○ November 13th from 4-4:30pm - AI in Canvas (SKY)
	  ○ November 14th from 11:30am-1pm - AI Policies in your Syllabus (SKY & DTLC)
	  ○ December 5th from 10am-11am- Guidance & Ethics CoP meeting (DTLC)
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		Shankar	5	Information

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<tr><td>7.2</td><td>Treasurer’s report
Checking: $8,119.45
Savings: $5,032.38
Total: $13,151.83
Total Faculty Contributors: 27

As of today, for the 2025–2026 academic year, the Academic Senate has awarded $450 in support of a speaker honorarium and $600 toward professional development initiatives for first- and second-year faculty members.</td><td>Aranyakul</td><td>1</td><td>Information</td></tr>
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Curriculum Chair Updates:
Changed CTE requirements: students no longer need to be in, "good academic standing" in their non-CTE coursework to earn their certificate, and they are allowed to take 50% of their required CTE courses within SMCCCD, not just locally.
Seeking faculty to serve on External Exam Review Committee , see slides 6 & 7 for Exam List and slides 10 & 11 to add your name.
Faculty should be working with Departments and their Dean to assign courses to disciplines. Emai cancurriculum@smccd.edu with questions.</td><td>Kaslan</td><td>3</td><td>Information</td></tr>
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TAS’s discussion of the Spring 2025 ZTC/LTC Student Survey
TAS November Report</td><td>Luna</td><td>2</td><td>Information</td></tr>
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<tr><td>8.1</td><td colspan="4">Upcoming Events, Meetings, Deadlines, and Any Additional Comments on Non-Agenda Items</td></tr>
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	1. Undocumented Community Center List of Events. In keeping with our May 2025 Resolution in Support of Undocumented Students, we are sharing UCC events and encourage faculty to attend! 2. **From IPC** meeting of 10/17/25 related to *Program Review* and *Reassigned Time*: o October 17th Comprehensive Program Review due o November 14th New, revised, and renewed reassigned time position applications due o November 21st IPC will review comprehensive program reviews, extra-long meeting. (*Reminder*: Our November 21 IPC meeting starts at 8:30am) o December 5th, IPC votes on reassigned time position (new, revisions, and renewals)			
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) Members recorded as absent are presumed not to have voted;

(2) the names of members voting in the minority or abstaining are recorded;

(3) all other members are presumed to have voted in the majority.

Academic Senate for the (2025-26) academic year:

- President: Gampi Shankar
- Vice President: Richard Schulke
- Secretary: Rebekah Sidman-Taveau
- Treasurer: Sarah Aranyakul
- Adjunct Representative: Ramin Ekhtiar
- Curriculum Committee: Camille Kaslan
- PD: Professional Development: Salumeh Eslamieh
- ASLT: Academic Support and Learning Technologies: Carlos Luna
- Business, Design & Workforce Division: Leonor Cabrera
- HSS: Humanities and Social Sciences Division: **VACANT**
- KAD: Kinesiology, Athletics, and Dance: Ana Miladinova
- STEM: Science and Technology Division: Ellen Young
- SS: Student Services/Counseling: Danny Lynch