



# FOOTHILL COLLEGE

## Academic Senate

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### Meeting Minutes

**Date:** June 3rd, 2024  
**Time:** 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM  
**Location:** Krause Center for Innovation room 4006 (or via Zoom)

### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 PM by Senate President Voltaire Villanueva

### 2. Roll Call

Roll Call was conducted by Secretary/Treasurer Robert Cormia

Officers	Location
Voltaire Villanueva	4006
Patrick Morriss	4006
Ben Kaupp	4006
Robert Cormia	4006
Senators by Division	
Apprenticeship	
Stephan Schnell	4006
BSS	
vacant	vacant
Mona Rawal	4006
Counseling	
Tracee Cunningham	4006
Leticia Serna	4006
DRC/VRC/SRC	
Ana Maravilla	4006
Fine Arts & Communications	
Robert Hartwell	4006
Kate Jordahl	online
HSH	
vacant	vacant
Brenda Hanning	4006
Kinesiology/Athletics	
Dixie Macias	online
Rita O'Loughlin	online
LA	
Stephanie Chan	4006
Rocio Giraldez Betron	online (address posted)
LRC	
Destiny Rivera	4006

Eric Reed	4006
STEM	
Sara Cooper	4006
vacant	vacant
Professional Development Coordinator	
Carolyn Holcroft	4006
Faculty Chair of COOL	
Allison Lenkeit Meezan	4006
Ensuring Learning Coordinator	
Stephanie Chan	4006
Kerri Ryer	absent
FA Rep	
Julie Jenkins	online
ASFC Rep	
Joshua Agupugo	online
Classified Senate Rep	
Adiel Velasquez	absent
21-23 P/T Rep	
Roxanne Cnudde	online (address posted)
22-24 P/T Rep	
Michael Chang	4006
Advisory Members	
President's Cabinet	
Stacy Gleixner	4006
Dean of Equity	
Ajani Byrd	online
Guests	
David Marasco (faculty), Fatima Jinnah (faculty), Evan Gilstrap (articulations), Lynette Vega (PT Rep-elect), CJ Toledo (Foothill Student) and Ann Penalosa (De Anza student/press)	

### 3. Adoption of Agenda

No discussion
<b>Motion: Adopt agenda</b> Ben Kaupp first, Lety Serna second <b>Result:</b> adopted by consensus

### 4. Public Comment

Tim Shively (Faculty Association): Tim commented on the new Vice Chancellor position and asked that faculty attend the June 10th FHDA-CCD Board of Trustees meeting to protest the position, especially given the reduction of 1320 funds. Please reach out to Tim for more information.
Janie Garcia: Janie commented that she is advocating for the Palestinian people and marginalized students.
Clifton Der Bing announced an event on Wednesday, June 5th, at the District Office, featuring a flag ceremony to raise the inclusive Pride flag.

### 5. Approval of Minutes (note this was out of order, after Item 7)

May 20 Meeting: Correction on Item 7: Ana Maravilla is with DRC/VRC, not Counseling. Correction on Item 18: Suzy Huerta should be Suzy Quezada.
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**Motion: Adopt minutes with above described minor corrections**

Lety Serna first, Michael Chang second

**Result:** adopted by consensus.

**6. Consent Calendar**

Voltaire: Asked if there were any faculty additions to the executive committee and requested members to share. He also asked for volunteers to join the summer cabinet. Mona Rowal and David Marasco volunteered.

Ben commented that the College Curriculum Committee will have many faculty staying on, will get final updates at June 11 meeting.

Alison is joining the Professional Development Committee.

Amber La Piana and Jordana Griffiths were added to the at-large TRC pool.

A search committee for the Vice Chancellor of Effectiveness was announced, with the hiring timeline set for the summer.

With a pending retirement, there is an opening for the FA Office Manager. Tim Shively is coordinating the search committee, which will include Kathy Perino.

Roxanne Cnudde volunteered for the ASCCC COMM liaison position.

Voltaire listed several other openings.

Destiny Rivera volunteered for the ASCCC OER liaison position.

**Motion: Adopt Consent Calendar with above-described amendments**

Ben Kaupp first, Eric Reed second

**Result:** adopted by consensus.

**7. ASFC President Updates**

Joshua Agupugo discussed the formation of a new committee to address conflict. He listed some of the planned activities for the committee, including bringing food from different cultures. There is a staff advisor for the committee, but no funding yet; it will be supported by ASFC. Joshua emphasized that, at the end of the day, we are all students.

**8. Academic Senate Budget Update**

Robert Cormia reported the academic senate budget balance of approximately \$8,000, which is expected to approach \$9,000 by fall, with about \$4,000 per year in faculty dues. He suggested that there is room to "spend down" by a few thousand dollars while still maintaining a \$5,000 year-end balance and funding student scholarships at \$4,500 per year.

David Marasco emphasized the importance of paying for part-time faculty.

Sarah Cooper asked if it was possible to spend the \$4,000 and still keep the budget flat. Robert confirmed this was the case.

David pointed out that scholarships cost \$4,500.

Robert reminded the group that the college covered plenary expenses and noted that conference expenses are an operating cost.

Allison Lenkeit Meezan asked about the ongoing expenses versus one-time expenses for the year. Robert explained that scholarships are essentially the only ongoing expense.

Voltaire Villanueva asked how the money could be used to best help students.

David mentioned that in the past, the budget contributed to the part-time faculty celebration and encouraged continuing to celebrate part-time faculty.

Robert thanked the administration for covering many expenses but acknowledged that, going forward, it would not be safe to rely on this due to the new budget outlook.

## **9. Opening Day PD Resolution**

The resolution is open to a second read. Ben Kaupp asked if we have achieved the goals of the resolution.

Alison Lenkeit Meezan read out the two resolves from the resolution and commented on the important question of where we are going with SLOs, referencing Elaine Kuo's presentation last week. There was a question about the mechanics of efforts involving continuous improvement.

Stacie Gleixner commented that the administration and faculty are on the same side of the resolution.

Carolyn Holcroft commented that it would be great to have a full day on the activities and asked how engagement would look in this space.

Alison asked what would be meaningful for the faculty to discuss and if this would be campus-wide.

David Marasco asked about how division meeting hours would work.

Ben commented that there is still value in having the resolution to show faculty resolve towards this effort. He noted that RSI has always been treated separately, but it is tied to SLOs and should be treated together.

Alison stressed the importance of using SLOs to inform instruction/pedagogy, suggesting that maybe we should have Opening Day and District Day for some of the structured requirements of RSI and SLOs, and tie this into equity. She also suggested we have trained people from these areas at these events and asked who these people would be.

Voltaire Villanueva asked for guidance on editing the resolution, proposing that the new professional development coordinators could lead activities on Opening Day.

Lynette Vega commented that a couple of years ago, in her department, faculty did a "teach-in" to talk about what they were doing.

Voltaire solicited comments and constructed some changes to the resolves. Stacie commented on support for the work being done, and while she couldn't commit to a budget, the work would be conducted over the summer.

Eric Reed commented that contract or not, faculty should be compensated for work performed over the summer. There were edits made during the meeting.

Alison mentioned two additional days of flex.

Sara Cooper mentioned the logistical issues associated with some of these activities, especially given a very short time frame. There were other comments about SLI and RSI on the first day, and also the benefits of having motivational speakers on the first day.

Carolyn commented on a recent survey for professional development.

David commented on the matching and guidance from coordinators in smaller faculty groups, suggesting that having a little bit of supervision from the outside would be beneficial. There was some reflection on previous failed Opening Day events.

Voltaire commented that we're somewhat "diving into the weeds" here.

There were further comments about the need to specify what we are trying to do. RSI, SLO, and equity need to be part of an integrated approach for activities on the first day. There was discussion about what we can do over two days, noting that only one day is professional development. There was further clarification and a comment from President Whalen that time would be available on College Day for some of these activities.

**Motion: Adopt resolution as amended.**

Robert Hartwell first, Lety Serna second

**Result:** approved by consensus.

### 10.BP 5110

It was explained that the AP automatically shows up in board docs upon approval of the BP.

**Motion: Adopt BP5110 as presented.**

Patrick Morriss first, Ben Kaupp second

**Result:** approved by consensus.

### 11.Nomination for District Academic Senate President

Voltaire asked if the Senate would approve Kathryn Mauer as District Academic Senate President.

**Result:** voted by acclimation.

### 12.2024-2025 Academic Senate Calendar

Voltaire Villanueva presented the proposed calendar for the upcoming school year.

David Marasco acknowledged that the calendar did not overlap with Jewish holidays. Ben Kaupp responded that there was an attempt to navigate around all major holidays

**Motion: Adopt Academic Senate calendar as presented.**

Patrick Morriss first, Lety Serna second

**Result:** adopted by consensus.

### 13.Resolution on Sustained Dialogues (Third Read)

CJ Toledo (student guest) commented that many students are stressed from global issues, particularly the conflict in Gaza, and students would appreciate it if faculty could make a statement. Another student commented on the importance of addressing difficult questions. Stephanie Chan commented that she has heard from faculty who shared they were unable to have discussions in the Academic Senate and read from a letter. Leticia Serna commented that there shouldn't be another discussion about a resolution when there wasn't a real discussion about the first one. Additionally, the scheduled event on June 7th conflicts

with a number of other activities.

Voltaire Villanueva read from the event speaker, Dr. Tanya Israel. Ajani Byrd commented on the scheduling conflicts and the need for "just in time" programming to have these discussions. Fatima Jinnah asked to restate some of the topics she brought up last week. She referenced the Academic Senate budget and the topics and substance of the program. David Marasco mentioned a lot of big ideas, the costs of scholarships, and the existing budget. He suggested redirecting one of the current scholarships, for example, "first in family," to the scholarships mentioned in the Sustained Dialogue resolution.

Sara Cooper commented that this resolution, as written, if adopted, would limit the conversations that could occur in the Academic Senate. Patrick Morriss added that if the resolution is followed, who decides what issues are to be discussed? He pointed out the complexity of the resolution with many aspects to consider. Ben Kaupp asked that the resolution be withdrawn, acknowledging that there was insufficient time for such a nuanced discussion.

Voltaire Villanueva commented that as long as he is the Academic Senate president, difficult conversations will continue, even though it was hard to achieve this year. He emphasized the importance of continuing the work of the Academic Senate and facilitating a space where these dialogues can occur. He also mentioned the President's Advisory Council and how healing can occur, making another comment about Mellon Scholars. Voltaire asserted that while the current situation is challenging, they will get through it.

#### **14. For the Good of the Order**

Julie Jenkins shared that the Faculty Association (FA) is holding an office hour on Thursday from noon to 12:45 p.m. to address the many topics circulating on campus.

Fatima Jinnah mentioned a speaker series featuring Dr. Sa'ed Atshan, titled "Queer Palestine and the Empire of Critique," on Tuesday, June 18th, from 11 a.m. to noon.

Clifton Der Bing mentioned that this coming Wednesday is the Pride flagpole opening day and will include some speakers.

Lety Serna shared her gratitude for having the Academic Senate as a place to be at Foothill College. The Academic Senate thanked her for her service and wished her the best in her retirement.

#### **15. Close of Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned by President Voltaire Villanueva at 3:35 p.m. This was the final meeting of the academic year.