

**Fullerton College Faculty Senate
approved minutes
30-October 2025**

present

At-large	Porsha Boyd, Michael Moore, Nicole Rossi
Business/CIS	Carlos Antunez
Coun/SSS	JP Gonzalez, Kaylan Rasch, Citlally Santana
Ethnic Studies	Wesley Cox
Fine Arts	Carla Falb, Stephen Klippenstein
Humanities	Jeanne Costello, Stefani Okonyan, Meg O'Rourke, Kim Vandervort
Library	Val Macias
Math/Comp. Sci.	Bill Cowieson, Tanomo Taguchi-Trieu
Natural Sci.	Seung Ji, Kavita Rajah-Boyer, Kim Rosales
Part-time	Laura Anaya Jurado, Naveen Kanal
Physical Ed.	Phil Austin, Perry Webster
Social Sci.	Matt Tribbe, Jeanna Wolfe
Tech./Engineering	Ben Cuatt, Brendon Kirby
Associated Students	Bepa Perez
Classified Senate	Antoinette Triefenbach
President	Bridget Kominek
Acting Past Pres.	Brandon Floerke
Treasurer	Cynthia Guardado
Secretary	Heather Halverson
Guests	Cecilia Arriaza, Transfer Center Director Carlos Ayon, Dean, Business and CIS Miranda Bates, Director, Campus Communications Daniel Berumen, Director of Institutional Research & Planning George Bonnand, Technology and Engineering faculty

Paulette Chaffee, Bond Oversight Committee
Sonia De La Torre, Vice President Student Services
John Ison, English faculty
Jessica Langlois, Journalism faculty
Janeth Manjarrez, Interim Executive Director, Friends of Fullerton College
Foundation
Rachel Mendiola, Communications Specialist
José Ramón Núñez, Vice President of Instruction
Cynthia Olivo, FC President
Joel Salcedo, AS Faculty Advisor
Ashley Sosa, FC Student writer for The Hornet

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:03P by Bridget Kominek.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

M/S/U (Kanal/Webster) to approve the meeting agenda.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

M/S/U (Kanal/Webster) to approve the 16-Oct 2025 meeting minutes.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Paulette Chaffee shared a list of food banks in Orange County.

Kim Vandervort shared information about the FYE Campus Resource Showcase taking place 6-Nov.

Jeanne Costello thanked faculty for completing the Academic Progress surveys and reported that 63% of the surveys had been completed.

Laura Anaya Jurado shared information about the “I Stand with Immigrants” events taking place 5-Nov.

Miranda Bates shared that a survey will soon go out soliciting feedback for marketing the Fullerton College Strategic Plan.

Carlos Antunez and Michael Moore shared information about the eSports “Costumes and Controllers” event taking place 5-Nov. Faculty were encouraged to attend and participate in an eSports tournament versus students.

Ashley Sosa shared that she was writing a story about the recent Canvas outage for The Hornet and invited faculty to be a course for this story.

V. REPORT FROM FULLERTON COLLEGE PRESIDENT, DR. CYNTHIA OLIVO

Dr. Olivo shared that Campus Dining has extended their hours of operation to 8P, Monday through Thursday. This is a trial for the fall semester.

She also reported that Fullerton College will be sending a group to the All-African Diaspora Education Summit in Ghana. Those interested in attending need to submit the application by 10-Nov and members of the North Star Committee will help review the applications and select seven participants to attend.

Dr. Olivo thanked those who participated in Dia de los Muertos event and reported hearing a lot of positive feedback about the event. She also thanked Jewell Taylor, Nicole Winborne, Cynthia Guradado and Marrietta Gilliard for their efforts in coordinating the HBCU Caravan event.

She also thanked faculty for participating in the Faculty Allocation Committee and discussed the Faculty Obligation Number (FON). She announced that FC would be hiring twelve faculty for the upcoming year. Those positions are:

- Communication Studies
- Drone Technology
- Business Management, Marketing and Real Estate
- Psychology
- Counseling
- Cinema
- Ethnic Studies
- Earth Science
- Horticulture
- Anthropology
- Art History (Museum Studies)
- Ethnic Studies (Chicanx/Latinx)

VI. STANDING REPORTS

President's Report

Campus

- Friendly reminder that **the 11/6 Faculty Senate meeting is cancelled** so I can attend the statewide Academic Senate (ASCCC) Fall 2025 Plenary. We'll be back on 11/20.
- I attended the **Friends of Fullerton College Foundation meeting on 10/21**. At that meeting, we received a presentation on the new Performing Arts Center. I encourage faculty to attend the groundbreaking on 11/19. An email with a link to RSVP was sent on 10/25. We also worked to revise the foundation's bylaws.
- I attended the **10/22 President's Advisory Council (PAC) meeting** alongside the other at-large faculty representatives. The **Guided Pathways office gave a report** updating their efforts, and I've asked the program leadership to do a similar presentation for Senate in early spring. We also received an update on the **environmental justice career fellowship** led by Instructional Partnerships and Programs and discussed the Professional Learning Committee's feedback on **BP/AP 7400 Employee Travel and Conference Attendance**. I will agendaize a draft of this BP/AP at our 11/20 meeting for guidance on how your faculty representatives on the District Consultation Council (DCC) should vote if this is on the 11/24 DCC agenda as an action item. PAC also voted to recommend that **FC maintain its current mission statement** through the current planning cycle.

District

- [Sabbatical applications](#) are now open; the deadline to apply is November 1. Information can be found [in this presentation](#). Gary Graves has created an [AI-powered assistant](#) to help applicants.
- On 10/20 I attended the **Institutional Effectiveness Coordinating Council (IECC) meeting** alongside Senate's Acting Immediate Past President Brandon Floerke. IECC is a subcommittee of the District Consultation Council (DCC). IECC considered results of the **district employee climate survey** that was done in Spring 2025 and how to disseminate the results to the groups who can address issues that were identified. The group discussed the process of developing our **districtwide strategic plan** and the function the committee can play under the leadership of the new Vice Chancellor of Educational Services and Institutional Effectiveness Dr. Jennifer Vega La Serna.
- On 10/27 I attended the **District Consultation Council (DCC)** alongside Senate's Acting Immediate Past President Brandon Floerke. We received a draft of the report from Ruffalo Noel Levitz on the **district's strategic enrollment plan**. We also received the **district's sustainability action plan** and discussed options for district-level committee work needed to support its implementation. Dr. Olivo and I shared feedback from PAC's discussion of **BP/AP 7400 Employee Travel and Conference Attendance**, and I suggested that a workgroup of DCC be formed with the campus professional learning coordinators to work on revisions before the draft is brought to DCC for a vote.

State

- In November I will attend the **statewide academic senate Fall 2025 Plenary** where I will attend sessions on Senate leadership, attend the disciplines hearing to support the drone discipline proposal that our college seconded and the proposed changes to minimum qualifications for ASL. **Check out the [draft resolutions](#)** and share any input with me. Here are some topics in the current draft resolutions I think are relevant to our context:
 - Resisting federal cuts to grants for Minority-Serving Institutions and limits on DEIA efforts in higher education
 - Integrating AI literacy in GE and workforce development programs
 - Updating the ASCCC guide for effective curriculum approval processes and principles for faculty evaluation
 - Opposing the use of online test proctoring
 - Advocating for flexibility in attendance and participation policies

- Advocating for local Faculty and Academic Senates voice in dual enrollment
- Establishing Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) liaisons
- Allowing for partial certification of Cal-GETC
- Asserting academic freedom and academic professional matters in Rising Scholars programs
- Adopting [a paper to clarify the role of the counseling discipline within the system](#)
- Resisting adoption of auto-billing programs for course materials
- Developing a consistent method for calculating student cost savings resulting from OER adoption
- Ensuring consultation and transparency in technology procurement processes
- The [Faculty Association of California Community Colleges' 2026 Advocacy and Policy Conference is happening in February in Sacramento](#). There's a call for proposals due on November 15. I encourage faculty to attend and propose sessions.

Treasurer's Report

Cynthia Guardado thanked Leonor Cadena and Matt Tribbe for providing snacks for this meeting.

Curriculum Chair Report

John Ison shared the following report:

Curriculum Development Reminders:

We're now processing and approving curriculum for Fall 2027. We strongly recommend that faculty prelaunch Fall 2027 courses now if they require approval from UC transfer and Cal-GETC.

Cal-GETC timeline:

Courses that were Board-approved and accepted for UC TCA (UC transfer) will be sent to Cal-GETC in November 2025. In May 2026 or June 2026, Cal-GETC will inform the articulation officer which courses are approved or disapproved.

Chancellor's Office Update re: Course Outline of Record (COR):

The curriculum committee discussed these changes on October 15 and October 29. Implementing the equity and accessibility requirements will take time, since CurricUNET will be replaced by Coursedog, but the timeline remains unclear.

The state chancellor's office will require a shift from TOP code to CIP code; however, we await word from the state, as well as the OC regional consortium, how this will affect CTE curriculum.

Common Course Numbering (CCN) Update:

Phase 2B CCN templates have been published. 2B, along with Phase 3, will have an effective date of Fall 2027.

As I mentioned at the last Senate meeting, the state chancellor's office will allow us to update ADTs for CCN Phases 2 and 3 without submitting them to the state, if the CCN update is

the only revision. Like we did in May of 2025, we'll sign a form to be sent to the chancellor's office.

Furthermore, departments wishing to employ the 4-digit numbering system when creating or revising courses should use the following for non-CCN courses: 1400-1999, 2400-2999, 3400-3999, and 4000-4999.

Other news:

On October 29, the curriculum committee discussed the following items:

- a recommendation for the lower-division GE pattern for the baccalaureate degree
- issues related to courses on the Associate GE pattern that were denied Cal-GETC approval
- class size concerns raised by the NOCCCD

If you have any questions about curriculum timelines, six-year review or other topics related to the committee, please feel free to email me at jison@fullcoll.edu. Thank you.

Associated Students' Report

Bepa Perez reported that AS held a successful Harvest Haunt. AS met yesterday and have been discussing concerns students have regarding the new registration system. AS approved a donation to the Music Department to send their students to a conference and will prioritize a funding request process for future requests. Bepa shared that the actual AS budget is unclear and AS will meet with Henry Hua to get more information. AS has concerns about the proposed academic calendars. And, on 20-Nov, AS will be hosting a Speed Friend Making event. Details for this event are still being finalized.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

Interdisciplinary Studies (INDS) Workgroup

Senators had informal consideration of a draft for a workgroup to explore the role INDS degrees play in the experience of students. This item will be on the 20-Nov Senate agenda.

M/S/P (Halverson/Webster) to extend this item for 5 minutes.

No: Kanal

Proposed Academic Calendars

Bridget Kominek shared that Dr. Vega La Serna, Vice Chancellor of Education Services and Institutional Effectiveness, called a meeting with the Senate presidents and UF president and vice president yesterday. Dr. Vega La Serna will draft a calendar for 2026/2027 that will try to account for concerns that have been shared from the three Senates. She will also work on creating a more timely and inclusive process to develop the 2027/2028 and future calendars.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Professional Learning Office Data Presentation

Cynthia Guardado shared a presentation with data regarding faculty participation in Course Redesign for Equity (CoRE), the Race Conscious Certificate, and travel funding applications for conference attendance.

Human Resources Training and Flex Credit

M/S/P (Kanal/Floerke) to refer this question to the Professional Learning Committee and a request a recommendation be shared with Faculty Senate at the 4-Dec meeting.

Abstain: Perez

Advancing Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA) in Evaluation and Tenure Review Processes

Senators had informal consideration of this topic. Suggestions from senators included culturally responsive teaching, on-going professional development and incorporating different perspectives and voices into curriculum. United Faculty will be on a future agenda to share proposals for Senate input.

M/S/P (Halverson/Florke) to extend the meeting for fifteen minutes.

No: Kanal

Abstain: Moore

Insights for Student Learning Outcome Assessment (SLOA)

George Bonnard shared information about the new Insights program for assessing Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs).

XI. ELECTIONS

Program Review and Planning Committee representative – Humanities, 2025-2027

Adriana Sanchez (Hum)

Faculty Senate representative alternate – Technology and Engineering, 2025-2026

Jessica Langlois (Tech/Eng)

X. LIASON REPORTS

AdFac

Naveen Kanal reminded senators that adjunct faculty need to submit their Adjunct Faculty Assignment Request Form (AFAR) for the fall 2026 semester by 1-Nov. He reported that office hour time sheets are due 31-Oct.

Classified Senate

Antoinette Triefenbach reported that Classified Senate did not meet today. She reported that the Admin grievance, started back in 2023, was finally settled this past Monday.

United Faculty

Matt Tribbe reminded senators to read the email from UF President Steven Estrada. UF is seeking an Elections Committee alternate. He reported that the district is working on an AI policy and UF will find out more information about this.

The meeting adjourned at 5:22P.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Halverson, secretary