

**Fullerton College Faculty Senate
approved minutes
16-April 2026**

present

At-large	Porcha Boyd, Michael Moore, Nicole Rossi
Business/CIS	Carlos Antunez
Coun/SSS	Lorena Marquez, Kaylan Rasch, Citlally Santana
Ethnic Studies	Wesley Cox
Fine Arts	Carla Falb, David F. Lopez, Stephen Klippenstein
Humanities	Danielle Fouquette, Mike Mangan, Meg O'Rourke, Kim Vandervort
Library	Anya Shyrokova
Math/Comp. Sci.	Tanomo Taguchi-Trieu, Cindy Zarske
Natural Sci.	Seung Ji, Stephanie Nobles
Part-time	Laura Anaya Jurado, Naveen Kanal
Physical Ed.	Phil Austin
Social Sci.	Josh Ashenmiller, Matt Tribbe
Tech./Engineering	Ben Cuatt, Brendon Kirby
Associated Students	Bepa Perez
Classified Senate	Amy Shrack
President	Bridget Kominek
Acting Past Pres.	Brandon Floerke
DEIA Ombudsperson	Doug Eisner
Treasurer	Cynthia Guardado
Secretary	Heather Halverson
Guests	Cecilia Arriaza, Director, Transfer Center Carlos Ayon, Dean, Business & CIS Paulette Chaffee, Orange County District 4 Ambassador Sonia De La Torre, Vice President, Student Services

Henry Hua, Vice President, Administrative Services
John Ison, English faculty
Rachel Gonzalez Mendiola, Communications Specialist
Katie Meneses, Counseling intern
Victor Meza, Librarian
Jennifer Merchant, Director, Educational Partnerships & Programs,
Guided Pathways
Connie Moreno Yamashiro, Director, Student Development &
Engagement
Cynthia Olivo, FC President
John Parker, Vice Chancellor, Finance & Facilities
Joel Salcedo, AS Faculty Advisor/UF Vice-President

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:04P by Bridget Kominek.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

M/S/U (Kanal/Moore) to approve the 19-Mar 2026 meeting minutes.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Cecilia Arriaza reported that students are currently receiving notices from four-year universities regarding admissions for fall 2026. The Transfer Center will be hosting a Transfer Celebration on 21-May.

Victor Meza shared reasons why he would like to serve as the OER liaison to ASCCC.

Paulette Chaffee shared information about a Career Fair taking place 21-Apr at the Brea Mall.

Stephanie Nobles shared that the 10th annual FC Earth Day Symposium will be 21-Apr, 2-3:30P. This year's Earth Day speaker is Dr. Michael Mendez, Professor, Environmental Planning and Policy, UC Irvine with his talk titled Climate Change from the Streets. Dr. Mendez will discuss case studies of the how low-income communities of color advocate for equitable climate action, linking environmental protection with public health, and challenges mainstream policymaking by incorporating "lived experience" to address inequality at local, state, and global levels. All are welcome. Copies of Dr. Mendez's book, Climate Change from the Streets will be available for attendees with students getting priority.

Connie Moreno Yamashiro shared that the 3rd annual Lavender Graduation will take place 13-May. She shared the college is hosting several [cultural grad celebrations](#). Black Student Success Week will begin 20-Apr and KinderCaminata takes place 24-Apr.

Cynthia Guardado shared information about the Summer 2026 cohort of the Race Conscious Certificate (RRC). Thirty-nine faculty, two of which are full-time faculty, have already signed up to participate. The deadline to sign up is 8-May.

Naveen Kanal informed senators that Labanz Cafe would be providing snacks for this meeting.

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

Dr. Olivo shared the following report:

Hello Senators,

We are very proud to share that our Horticulture professor Luellen Swayzer has secured a \$20,000 donation from the Orange County Farm Bureau to support our program due to her leadership and expertise in this field.

Thank you everyone who went to the FC Night last night.

Tomorrow begins the 100th anniversary of Alpha Gamma Sigma Honor Society which started here at FC thanks to Faculty Member Dr. Nick Arman, Advisor and Adjunct Faculty Marwin Luminarias for working with our students to lead the effort which will bring in nearly 400 members from around the country.

We have received over 500 applications for scholarships, and each must be reviewed by multiple evaluators. We could use an hour or two if you are able to help and have until 27-Apr to review them. Please contact Dr. Lisa Nashua or John Guthrie from our Foundation to volunteer.

The past two weeks FC has presented at national and statewide conferences including our HSI Transformation Team at AERA the nation's leading conference on higher education research, the American Association of Community Colleges where our Research Dept presented on collecting data that shares student stories and strategies for student support and APAHE where our team shared about our APIDA Amplified program and center. I also presented a preconference workshop at APAHE on pursuing careers and career advancement and the morning keynote at the statewide Chief Student Services Association a few weeks ago.

We will be hosting Athletic Hall of Fame event tomorrow.

We need volunteers for a committee to help us organize a Gala to be held in the Fall in late October on campus.

Our Inter Club Council is hosting a Clothing Drive & Thrift Market. Clothing collection is occurring now through 17-Apr so if you are doing any spring cleaning, please consider supporting our ICC. Clothing drop off points are located in the Student Support Center building, Library and Promise Center in our Admin building. Our Thrift Market will be held on 22-Apr from 11A-3P in the Quad where you can browse affordable clothing. We'll accept Zelle and Venmo with proceeds supporting ICC and Mercy House OC which helps families struggling with housing.

At PAC, members solidified that the lettering for the new performing arts building will be PAC (Performing Arts Center).

VI. STANDING REPORTS

President's Report

Campus

- **A faculty family picnic co-hosted by the three NOCCCD Academic and Faculty Senates, UF, and AdFac is happening this Sunday, April 19 from 12-4pm.** The picnic will be at playground 3/parking lot G at [Craig Park in Fullerton](#). Snacks and drinks will be provided. Bring your own chairs, blankets, and games.

- Voting is currently happening for the three nominees for the full-time at-large Faculty Senate seats. All full-time faculty should have received the ballot from me via email. Please take a moment to vote by 5pm on Monday, 4/20.

District

- Dr. John Parker, the new NOCCCD Vice Chancellor of Administrative Services is attending today's meeting as a guest. Welcome, Dr. Parker, and thank you for joining our Senate.
- The most recent revision of the [Joint Collaborative Consultation Understanding between the three NOCCCD faculty and academic senates and the two faculty unions is available and has been approved by Cypress College and NOCE. UF and AdFac have considered it as a first read.](#) Please review the draft and share feedback with your Senate and/or union president. You can also leave comments directly on this draft. This will be on the April 30 Senate agenda for a formal first read and May 7 for a second read and vote.
- A draft of the [NOCCCD's 2026-2030 Strategic Plan is available](#). I have not received any suggestions for changes to share with the design team. Once the draft is finalized after members of the district community have had the opportunity to share feedback, it will be presented to the District Consultation Council for a vote on April 27.
- At the April 14 Board of Trustees meeting, CSEA (our district's classified professional union) showed up in large numbers and made public comments in support of maintaining longevity in their negotiations. I included a statement in support of our classified during my resource table member report.

State

- I attended the statewide academic senate Spring 2026 Plenary meeting last weekend. There, I voted as our representative on many resolutions, including supporting the successful resolution to establish Uncrewed Aircraft Systems (UAS) Technology as a discipline with minimum qualifications. Formally accepted resolutions will be published on the [ASCCC website soon](#).

Treasurer's Report

Cynthia Guardado thanked Labanz Cafe for providing snacks for today's meeting.

Accreditation Steering Committee Report

Danielle Fouquette reported that members of the ASC recently attended the Regional ACCJC Convening. She reported that the federal government has increased pressure regarding how colleges use return on investment (ROI) data. She shared some concerns she has about the draft regulations. She also reported that she met with Darnell Kemp regarding new ways substantive interaction is being evaluated so the college can be prepared for the next accreditation cycle.

Curriculum Chair Report

John Ison shared the following report:

Counseling Curriculum Rep Needed (Fall 2026-Spring 2029)

In order to process division curriculum, divisions need a curriculum committee representative. I'm happy to answer any questions you may have.

TOP to CIP Transition

The state chancellor's office has extended the deadline. We can use TOP and CIP codes for another year. 2028 is the target date for updates. The Chancellor's Office is aware of the issue with CTE codes. We are operating on the new TOP/CIP crosswalk, but we don't know how to reconcile CTE TOP codes with non-CTE CIP codes and what that means for processing CTE curriculum. At DCCC, we were encouraged to ask faculty, particularly those with CTE programs, to check their TOP/CIP alignments against the new crosswalk's alignments. The vice chancellor is also encouraging comparable or identical disciplines at Fullerton and Cypress to have the same TOP/CIP codes.

Integrating Title 5 Changes into the Course Outline of Record

A. § 55001.5. (a) (3) "Course Outlines of Record":

- "Course outlines of record shall also include representative descriptions of approaches faculty may use to accommodate and engage diverse student bodies, advance equitable student outcomes, and promote the inclusion of all students."

Status Report: The committee's ongoing discussion focused on integrating Title 5 changes, particularly those related to accessibility and equitable student outcomes, into the COR's existing elements, such as course description, methods of instruction and evaluation, course content, assignments and textbooks.

We are inspired by the ways that Common Course Numbering templates have embedded DEI and accessibility within the "identical and required" elements. The committee is interested in creating a template with specific language for accessibility and DEI, but there is debate about using boilerplate statements. Discussions continue.

Transition from CurricUNET to Coursedog

Acadea, the owner of CurricUNET, will give the college access to all course data, it will cost money to get this and take about ten weeks to get the information.

We are meeting with Coursedog nearly every week, following the timeline given to us. At present we are working with Banner data validation. The vice chancellor told us that she will continue the CurricUNET contract so that there won't be loss of curriculum data. I am telling everyone not to enter proposals into CurricUNET in order to ensure a smooth transition of data to Coursedog. There will be time in the fall to process Fall 2027 proposals.

Class Size Issues

I'd like Faculty Senate, and Union reps, to be aware that there is heightened scrutiny of class sizes at DCCC and Board. Faculty have helped me justify the chosen class sizes, but there continues to be interest in revising the Class Size Planning and Resource Document and encouraging Fullerton and Cypress to have the same class sizes for comparable or identical courses.

Feel free to email me at jison@fullcoll.edu if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for listening.

Associated Students' Report

Bepa Perez reported that AS is currently conducting 2026-2027 student elections. This year they have the highest number of applicants ever! Bepa thanked Cynthia Guardado, Daniel Berumen, Darnell Kemp, AS VP of Public Relations and Joel Salcedo for all their efforts to generate student interest in elections.

Jen Gomez has been elected as the new ICC President. AS is working with ICC to align their governing documents to create a strong partnership moving forward. ICC is hosting a thrifting event on 22-Apr.

AS is continuing its work to provide student senators with stipends for their commitment and time.

Bepa and AS VP Julieta Gonzalez attended the General Assembly with over 800 students from more than 100 community colleges in California. There they learned about and voted on over seventy resolutions.

AS spoke with Sodexo regarding students concerns related to quality, cost, and ethics. With Fullerton College and Sodexo's contract ending in 2028, they are discussing what solutions are feasible to address these concerns. The RPR committee is continuing to research and look into the possibility of writing a resolution about regarding the concerns. AS will be presenting at PAC and hoping to gain answers regarding the district bidding process.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

Integrated Planning Manual revision

M/S/U (Mangan/Fouquette) to recommend the college adopt the proposed Integrated Planning Manual.

Bylaws revision proposal

M/S (Kanal/Anaya Jurado) to adopt the proposed revised language from Faculty Senate bylaws.

M/S/P (Nobles/Floerke) to table this item to the 30-Apr meeting.

No: Vandervort

Themed Flex Day proposal

This proposal was shared as an information item to be voted on at the 30-Apr meeting.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Administrative Procedure (AP) 7400 Employee Travel and Conference Attendance revisions

M/S/P (Guardado/Mangan) to direct the FC Faculty Senate representatives on DCC to support the revised AP 7400.

Abstain: Ashenmiller, Boyd, Floerke, Kanal, Moore, Perez, Shyrokova, Tribbe

Planning and Budget Steering Committee recommendations for program review resource request funding

These recommendations were presented as a first read to be voted on at the 30-Apr meeting.

Faculty role in Artificial Intelligence (AI) on campus

This was presented for informal consideration. It was the “Sense of the Senate” that Senate Exec should explore what a faculty leadership on AI might look like.

IX. ELECTIONS

OER Liaison to ASCCC, 2026-2027 **Victor Meza (LLRISPS)**

Guided Pathways Faculty Coordinator and chair of the Pathways Steering Committee, replacement for last year if 2024-2027 term **Ron Farol (Hum)**

New Faculty Seminar Facilitator: once semester substitute **Bridget Kominek (Hum)**

Sustainability Committee, at-large, 2026-2028 **Brandon Duran (Bus/CIS)**

District Services Management Third Year Evaluation Committees:

Mejon Kairan **Bridget Kominek (Hum)**

Sean Malone **Mike Mangan (Hum)**

Maria Corazon Baldovino **Heather Halverson (Coun)**

NOCCCD Artificial Intelligence policy drafting workgroup faculty representative, Spring 2026 **Matt Tribbe (Soc Sci)**, alternate **Danielle Fouquette (Hum)**

Student Equity and Achievement Committee, Counseling and Student Development representative replacement, 2025-2027 **Porsha Boyd (Coun)**

Student Equity and Achievement Committee, Library and Learning Resources, Instructions Support Programs and Services representative, 2026-2028 **Val Macias (LLRISPS)**

Program Review and Planning Committee, Library and Learning Resources, Instructions Support Programs and Services representative, 2025-2028 **Jill Kageyama (LLRISPS)**

X. LIASON REPORTS

AdFac

No report.

Classified Senate

Amy Shrack thanked faculty that supported CSEA at the recent BoT meeting.

United Faculty

Matt Tribbe shared that some deans are using the budget as an excuse to either limit overload or force faculty to work overload on campus. He reminded faculty to contact their grievance representative with any concerns. He reported that negotiations are on-going with the district. If there are any trainings offered related to the new ADA compliance, UF will push for compensation. UF continues to negotiate for compensation for faculty who are required to

work beyond the 10-month contract. Faculty in this situation should contact UF with examples. UF is still working on getting more information regarding department coordinator evaluations. Faculty will get more information regarding salary increase in June.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20P.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Halverson, secretary