



# ACADEMIC SENATE

The primary voice of the faculty in academic and professional matters at Santa Rosa Junior College.

## MEETING MINUTES

DATE: January 18, 2022  
TIME: 3:15 p.m.  
LOCATION: Santa Rosa, 4638 Bertolini  
Senate Chambers  
Petaluma, 628 Call Bldg.  
ZOOM ID: 958 4627 3808  
<https://santarosa-edu.zoom.us/j/95846273808>

### PRESENT

M. Anderman, L. Aspinall, S. Avasthi, V. Bertsch, S. Brumbaugh, J. Bush, J. Carlin-Goldberg, S. Cavales Doolan, A. Donegan, W. Downey, J. Fassler, G. Garcia, T. Jacobson, T. Johnson, L. Larsen, D. Lemmer, G. Morre, M. Ohkubo, A. Oliver, P. Ozbirinci, N. Persons, S. Rosen, E. Schmidt, H. Skoonberg, J. Stover

**ABSENT** B. Barajas (proxy G. Garcia), A. Atilgan Reylea (proxy P. Ozbirinci)

**GUESTS** L. Beach, M. Long

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m. by President N. Persons. The Land Acknowledgement Statement was read by H. Skoonberg.

### OPEN FORUM

- J. Paisley made a statement regarding the need of priority one registration for Rising Scholars students in the Second Chance and IGNITE programs.  
[Read J. Paisley's statement here](#)
- J. Arild stated the need of disability resources, department resources, and priority one registration for Rising Scholars students in the Second Chance and IGNITE programs located in the Sonoma and Marin juvenile detention centers.  
[Read J. Arild's statement here](#)
- M. Combs, community partner at Sonoma County Juvenile Hall, also stated the need for priority one registration for Rising Scholars students in the Second Chance program.  
[Read M. Comb's statement here](#)
- S. Whyllly made a statement encouraging faculty to retain manageable workloads and not overload additional students to their classes.  
[Read S. Whyllly's statement here \(via zoom transcript\)](#)

### MINUTES

A senator requested the November 30 minutes to be amended to correct the word "IPADS" to "IPEDS" on page 4, under SLOs.

Senator J. Carlin Goldberg moved to approve the November 30 as amended and seconded. A roll call vote was called, and Senators adopted the minutes with 24 yes votes and 2 abstentions as follows:

|   |                         |                    |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------|
| M. Anderman – yes                         | S. Cavales Doolan - yes | G. Morre - yes     |
| L. Aspinall - yes                         | A. Donegan - yes        | M. Ohkubo - yes    |
| A. Atilgan-Reylea (proxy Ozbirinci) - yes | W. Downey - yes         | A. Oliver - yes    |
| S. Avasthi – yes                          | J. Fassler - yes        | P. Ozbirinci - yes |
| B. Barajas (proxy G. Garcia) - yes        | G. Garcia - yes         | S. Rosen - abstain |
| V. Bertsch - yes                          | T. Jacobson - yes       | E. Schmidt - yes   |
| S. Brumbaugh - abstain                    | T. Johnson - yes        | H. Skoonberg - yes |
| J. Bush - yes                             | L. Larsen - yes         | J. Stover - yes    |
| J. Carlin-Goldberg - yes                  | D. Lemmer - yes         |                    |

Senator M. Ohkubo moved to approve the December 7 minutes which was seconded. A roll call vote

was called, and Senators adopted the minutes as amended with 24 yes votes and 2 abstentions as follows:

|   |                         |                    |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------|
| M. Anderman – yes                         | S. Cavales Doolan - yes | G. Morre - yes     |
| L. Aspinall - yes                         | A. Donegan - yes        | M. Ohkubo - yes    |
| A. Atilgan-Reylea (proxy Ozbirinci) - yes | W. Downey - yes         | A. Oliver - yes    |
| S. Avasthi – yes                          | J. Fassler - yes        | P. Ozbirinci - yes |
| B. Barajas (proxy G. Garcia) - yes        | G. Garcia - yes         | S. Rosen - abstain |
| V. Bertsch - yes                          | T. Jacobson - yes       | E. Schmidt - yes   |
| S. Brumbaugh - abstain                    | T. Johnson - yes        | H. Skoonberg - yes |
| J. Bush - yes                             | L. Larsen - yes         | J. Stover - yes    |
| J. Carlin-Goldberg - yes                  | D. Lemmer - yes         |                    |

## ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

1. Senator J. Fassler requested Consent Item 1: “Reconstitution of Constitution Workgroup” be moved to an Action Item which was seconded.
2. Senator A. Donegan requested Consent Item 2: “Accreditation Workgroup Recommendation #2” be moved to an Action item which was seconded.

## REPORTS

1. [President’s Report \(full written report\)](#) — N. Persons
2. [Guided Pathways Update \(transcription of verbal report\)](#) – M. Long, J. Stover

## CONSENT

- ~~1. Reconstitution of Constitution Workgroup~~
- ~~2. Accreditation Workgroup Recommendation #2~~

## ACTION

1. CVC Course Exchange

President N. Persons opened the topic by restating the questions being asked of the Senate, and asked Senators to use the Pro and Con microphones on either side of the room.

Clarifying Questions asked (non-exhaustive): whether or not to repeat comments from previous meetings, answered no; probationary students that have limited use of CVC and whether current policy would be overridden for students attending multiple colleges, answered there is no way for SRJC to regulate; whether course materials are owned by CVC, answered no; how does the CVC rubric work, answered that as a home college, answered the rubric would not be a part of it at all, but as a teaching college it is used as a guide with no hard requirements; confusion in regards to the “Consortia College”, answered that the agreement is to become a teaching college at some point; and whether the CVC decisions do *not* directly impact how many online courses are taught with decisions left up to departments, answered yes.

Pro statements included (non-exhaustive): allows students to take SRJC classes from all over California by placing them in a ‘hub’; the rubric’s resources help to advance current courses; there is no worry in having to rewrite courses; students do not have to enroll in multiple community colleges to take different courses; we should be a resource for our students and not a roadblock, and it that means having online courses available to them, we should support that; CVC is a tool and resource for our students to succeed.

Additional Con statements: whether AFA has reviewed the CVC information for possible concerns; is there enough DRD and IT staff available; concerns over what feels like a coercive deadline; if SRJC joins CVC, we are advocating that students who don’t want to take a class at SRJC can go elsewhere online; and the need for a bigger discussion at SRJC about who we are as a college in relation to online versus in person course offerings.

A roll call vote was taken on whether SRJC should join CVC as a Home College, and the question passed with 19 yes votes, 5 no votes, and 1 abstention as follows:

|   |                         |                    |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------|
| M. Anderman – yes                         | J. Carlin-Goldberg - no | D. Lemmer - yes    |
| L. Aspinall - yes                         | S. Cavales Doolan - yes | G. Morre - no      |
| A. Atilgan-Reylea (proxy Ozbirinci) - yes | A. Donegan - no         | M. Ohkubo - yes    |
| S. Avasthi – yes                          | W. Downey - no          | A. Oliver - yes    |
| B. Barajas (proxy G. Garcia) - yes        | J. Fassler - no         | P. Ozbirinci - yes |
| V. Bertsch - yes                          | G. Garcia - yes         | S. Rosen - yes     |
| S. Brumbaugh - abstain                    | T. Jacobson - yes       | E. Schmidt - no    |
| J. Bush - yes                             | T. Johnson - yes        | H. Skoonberg - yes |
|   | L. Larsen - yes         | J. Stover - yes    |

President N. Persons announced the remaining two questions would be brought back 02/01/23.

## 2. Reconstitution of Constitution Workgroup

Having motioned to pull the item from the Consent Agenda, Senator Fassler opened the discussion by stating the constitution is a challenging document to write and should be done in a proper way as the current document is vague and he did not understand what exactly needed to be changed.

Clarifying statements were made including (non-exhaustive): Senate Handbook has very specific sections in regards to writing the constitution and bylaws; Robert’s Rules of Order is very specific in how we word the Bylaws; SRJC has added an Ethnic Studies Department and the ASEC has been permanently expanded, neither of which are represented in the current constitution or bylaws; and the term “Adjunct” is no longer used locally and needs to be changed to “Associate”.

M. Ohkubo moved that the Academic Senate reconstitute the Constitution Workgroup originally formed in March 2021, asking current members to continue, and calling for additional participants to fill vacancies with current and former Senators to review the constitution and bylaws which was seconded.

A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed with 26 unanimous yes votes.

## 3. Accreditation Workgroup Recommendation #2

Having motioned to pull the item from the Consent Agenda, Senator Donegan opened the discussion by reminding the Body that last semester, the Senate Body pushed back against the idea of punishing faculty if they did not do SLOs; we’ve been told by AFA colleagues that doing SLOs is one of the duties that can be done to fulfill department service, but it is not a requirement; Recommendation #2 punishes faculty and students because courses may not be added to the schedule; and felt that the workgroup should no longer work on Recommendation #2 and the Senate should reject it.

A clarifying statement was made that the item is to send the recommendation back to the workgroup; the workgroup will evaluate all of the conversation of the Senate and decide what to do; only debating on whether or not we send the recommendation back to the workgroup; the Academic Senate’s role is to encourage the administration.

A clarifying question was made on whether this recommendation was supposed to include disaggregating SLO data; it was clarified that disaggregation was a part of recommendation 3, which has already been voted on by the Senate.

Senator L. Larson moved to send back Recommendation #2 back to the Accreditation Workgroup, which was seconded.

Senator A. Donegan moved to extend the time by 5 minutes, which was seconded with no objections.

Comments continued that the faculty contract states that department chairs have a responsibility that SLOs are completed; there are many departments that has SLOs completed and there was

already a process in place; should not be punishing students by taking courses away; understands that the vote on the motion insinuates the Senate's rejection, but due diligence has been done on recommendation 1 and 3, so recommendation should not be considered at all; and senators countered that while SLOs may have been completed, they have not been disaggregated and structured.

A roll call vote was called, and the motion passed with 21 yes votes, 4 no votes, and 1 abstention as follows:

M. Anderman – yes  
L. Aspinall - yes  
A. Atilgan-Reylea (proxy Ozbirinci) - yes  
S. Avasthi – yes  
B. Barajas (proxy G. Garcia) - yes  
V. Bertsch - abstain  
S. Brumbaugh - yes  
J. Bush - yes

J. Carlin-Goldberg - yes  
S. Cavales Doolan - yes  
A. Donegan - no  
W. Downey - no  
J. Fassler - yes  
G. Garcia - yes  
T. Jacobson - yes  
T. Johnson - yes  
L. Larsen - yes

D. Lemmer - yes  
G. Morre - no  
M. Ohkubo - yes  
A. Oliver - yes  
P. Ozbirinci - yes  
S. Rosen - yes  
E. Schmidt - no  
H. Skoonberg - yes  
J. Stover – yes

4. [Academic Senate Goals for 2022 – 2023](#) (moved from Discussion agenda)

President N. Persons opened the Action Item by clarifying that what is in **bold** type within the document are the Senate Goals, and the bullet points provide context that was shared by Senators at the Fall 2022 retreat.

A clarifying question was asked whether the goals were ranked; it was clarified that they are not.

Senator T. Jacobson moved to approve the Academic Senate Goals for 2022-2023, which was seconded.

A clarifying question was asked: are the goals here to be discussed (and not decided) only; it was clarified that the Senate is only voting to indicate these are the items to address this year.

A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed with 26 unanimous yes votes.

## DISCUSSION

1. \*Urgent: [Academic Senate Goals for 2022-2023](#)

Senator L. Aspinall moved to move the Discussion 1 item: \*Urgent: Academic Senate Goals for 2022-2023 to today's Action agenda, which was seconded.

A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed with 26 unanimous yes votes.

2. 4.3.2P (Faculty Hiring Procedure) Workgroup Proposal

Vice President M. Ohkubo briefly stated that the supporting document will be updated and sent out to Senators prior to the next meeting for discussion.

## ADJOURNMENT

5:00 p.m.