



ACADEMIC SENATE

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

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: February 15, 2023
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, A. Atilgan Relyea, S. Avasthi, B. Barajas, V. Bertsch, S. Brumbaugh, J. Bush, J. Carlin-Goldberg, S. Cavales Doolan, A. Donegan, W. Downey, J. Fassler (late), G. Garcia, T. Jacobson, T. Johnson (via zoom, per AB2449), L. Larsen, D. Lemmer, G. Morre, M. Ohkubo, A. Oliver, P. Ozbirinci, N. Persons, S. Rosen, H. Skoonberg, J. Stover

ABSENT E. Schmidt (proxy A. Donegan)

GUESTS J. Arild, J. Paisley

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 Senator J. Carlin-Goldberg.

OPEN FORUM

1. M. Von Der Porten, community member, commented on the need of remedial education at Santa Rosa Junior College.

[Read M. Von Der Porten's Statement here.](#)

2. J. Stover announced the We the Future 2023 Social Justice conference and encouraged Senators and the community to attend.

Link: [We the Future Social Justice Conference](#)

MINUTES

Senator J. Carlin Goldberg motioned to approve January 18 minutes, seconded. A roll call vote was called, and the motion passed with 25 yes votes and 1 abstention.

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

Senator J. Carlin-Goldberg motioned to approve February 1 minutes, seconded. A roll call vote was called, and the motion passed with 23 yes votes and 3 abstentions.

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

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA None

REPORTS

1. [President's Report](#) — N. Persons gave an updated report on CRC Vacancies, ASCCC Spring Plenary Sign Ups, upcoming DECO meeting, College Council, Professional Development, Guided Pathways, EPCC, PBC vacancy, FEC, and FYE Course.
2. [Guided Pathways Update](#) – J. Stover gave an updated report on Guided Pathways (GP) and opened the remainder of time for discussion.

A question was asked whether GP addresses equity in students for those needing remedial education courses; J. Stover answered that the decline to offer remedial courses has nothing to do with GP and has to do with state mandates; GP is trying to recognize the ways that SRJC can support students on their education journey in a holistic way and hopes that it will also be part of the solution.

A question was asked whether the Maverick program will be linked with SIS as part of the new program; J. Stover answered that he did not know and will follow up to find out.

3. [District Online Committee](#) – T. Jacobson reported on the activities of the District Online Committee.

CONSENT None.

ACTION

1. CVC Membership

President Persons opened the topic by taking the current motion off the table to have “SRJC to join CVC as a Teaching and Consortium College” and brought it before the Body, which was motioned and seconded at the February 1 meeting.

Senator Con comments included: needs assurance that SRJC would have priority registration, it was confirmed that SRJC has full control of the CVC enrollment timeline and that SRJC students would have priority; felt that SRJC has an investment in “brick and mortar” and the importance of being on site instead of online; concern over CVC having the ability to make changes to the agreement with only 60-day prior written notice.

Senator Pro comments included: this would be an important step towards inclusivity; constituents have voiced support because we would potentially be able to fill online classes that would otherwise be cancelled for low enrollment; and CVC is a resource that will help SRJC faculty and students succeed.

L. Larsen moved to revise the stated motion to say: “the Academic Senate recommend that the SRJC joins CVC as a Teaching and Consortium College, seconded.

A roll call vote was called, and the motion passed with 23 yes votes and 3 no votes. The perfected motion now read: “The Academic Senate recommends that SRJC joins CVC as a Teaching and Consortium College.

M. Anderman – yes
L. Aspinall – yes
A. Atilgan Relyea – yes
S. Avasthi – yes
B. Barajas – yes
V. Bertsch – yes
S. Brumbaugh – yes
J. Bush – yes
J. Carlin-Goldberg – no

S. Cavales Doolan – yes
A. Donegan – yes
W. Downey – yes
G. Garcia – yes
T. Jacobson – yes
T. Johnson – yes
L. Larsen – yes
D. Lemmer – yes
G. Morre – no

M. Ohkubo – yes
A. Oliver – no
P. Ozbirinci – yes
S. Rosen – yes
E. Schmidt (proxy Donegan) – yes
H. Skoonberg – yes
J. Stover – yes

A clarifying question was asked whether the teaching modality be changed once posted to the schedule of classes; it was confirmed that it can happen, but that wasn't the intention.

A clarifying question was asked that if this motion passed, what would the timeline be like; it was clarified that it would take some time, a minimum of one year; it was also clarified that Santa Rosa Junior College would have full control over the enrollment process for CVC students and prioritizing SRJC students,

including credit/non-credit students and noted that priority 1 registration is the only category that is dictated by title 5 regulations, priority 2-6 SRJC has full control over.

There was a call for the question. A roll call vote was called, and the perfected motion passed for the Academic Senate to recommend SRJC join CVC as a teaching and consortium college with 6 no votes, 1 abstain, and 19 yes votes.

M. Anderman – yes
L. Aspinall – yes
A. Atilgan Relyea – yes
S. Avasthi – yes
B. Barajas – yes
V. Bertsch – yes
S. Brumbaugh – no
J. Bush – yes
J. Carlin-Goldberg – no

S. Cavales Doolan – yes
A. Donegan – no
W. Downey – yes
J. Fassler – no
G. Garcia – yes
T. Jacobson – yes
T. Johnson – yes
L. Larsen – yes
D. Lemmer – yes

G. Morre – no
M. Ohkubo – yes
A. Oliver – abstain
P. Ozbirinci – yes
S. Rosen – yes
E. Schmidt (proxy Donegan) – no
H. Skoonberg – yes
J. Stover – yes

2. 4.3.2P Faculty Hiring Procedure Workgroup Proposal

President Persons opened by letting the Body know that four typos were found and will be corrected before approval and also reminded the Body that there are three options to choose from in Section 3:I.

Beginning with Section III: Screening and Interviewing Committees, comments/edits included: concern over which sections apply to contract faculty and which apply to associate faculty; confusion with formatting, stand alone paragraphs looking out of place and could be hard for Hiring Committees to decipher; 'Exceptions...' stated to be repeated under Section 3:C:7 with indented format; concern over the "6" in Section C, feels it may be difficult to get that many people's schedules to sync; and contract faculty should use the language "voting members".

Senator Jacobson moved to extend time by 5 minutes, seconded.

A clarifying comment was made to suggest that we run through the document line by line to get through it more efficiently.

The workgroup will bring an updated clean document as an Action Item at the next meeting for review.

3. *Rising Scholars Network (Moved from the Discussion Agenda)

L. Aspinall moved to amend the Rising Scholars Resolution 3rd Whereas statement to change the word Latinx to Hispanic and add rationale to the footnote indicating the language was chosen to reflect the research cited, seconded.

A roll-call vote was called, and the motion passed with 3 no votes and 21 yes votes.

M. Anderman – yes
L. Aspinall – yes
A. Atilgan Relyea – yes
S. Avasthi – yes
B. Barajas – yes
V. Bertsch – yes
S. Brumbaugh – yes
J. Carlin-Goldberg – yes
S. Cavales Doolan – yes

A. Donegan – yes
W. Downey – no
J. Fassler – yes
G. Garcia – no
T. Jacobson – yes
T. Johnson – yes
L. Larsen – yes
D. Lemmer – yes
G. Morre – yes

M. Ohkubo – yes
A. Oliver – yes
P. Ozbirinci – no
S. Rosen – yes
E. Schmidt (proxy Donegan) – yes
H. Skoonberg – yes
J. Stover – no

Senator M. Ohkubo moved to extend time by 3 minutes, seconded with no objections.

Senator T. Jacobson moved to approve the Rising Scholars Network Resolution with the edits as made, seconded.

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A roll-call vote was called, and the motion passed with 2 abstentions and 23 yes votes.

M. Anderman – yes
L. Aspinall – yes
A. Atilgan Relyea – abstain
S. Avasthi – yes
B. Barajas – yes
V. Bertsch – yes
S. Brumbaugh – yes
J. Carlin-Goldberg – yes
S. Cavales Doolan – yes

A. Donegan – yes
W. Downey – abstain
J. Fassler – yes
G. Garcia – yes
T. Jacobson – yes
T. Johnson – yes
L. Larsen – yes
D. Lemmer – yes
G. Morre – yes

M. Ohkubo – yes
A. Oliver – yes
P. Ozbirinci – yes
S. Rosen – yes
E. Schmidt (proxy Donegan) – yes
H. Skoonberg – yes
J. Stover – yes

DISCUSSION

1. *Rising Scholars Network

A Senator noted that there should only be 4 “whereas” statements and this document has 5.

T. Jacobson moved to amend the Rising Scholars resolution to combine the 3rd and 4th “Whereas” statements, seconded.

A Senator suggesting changing the term “Black” to “African-American” and started to make a motion to do so but it was clarified that there was a current motion on the floor that had to be voted on first.

A roll-call vote was made and the motion to combine the 3rd and 4th “Whereas” statement passed with 25 unanimous yes votes.

Senator Downey moved to amend the Rising Scholars resolution to change the term “Black” to “African-American” in the 3rd Whereas statement, seconded.

Senator comments included: there is a citation (pg. 77) in the resolution, which uses the term “Black” and that should be consistent; the term Black is a more inclusive term because not all Black persons necessarily identify as African-American; and understands that this is a very sensitive subject.

A senator suggested to add the terms “Hispanic” and “African-American” to read “...are Black/African-American and Hispanic/Latinx” to reflect the cited research and reflect the diversity of the terms, but there is a motion currently on the floor.

A roll-call vote was called and the motion failed with 1 yes vote and 23 no votes.

M. Anderman – no
L. Aspinall – no
A. Atilgan Relyea – no
S. Avasthi – no
B. Barajas – no
V. Bertsch – no
S. Brumbaugh – no
J. Bush – no
J. Carlin-Goldberg – no

S. Cavales Doolan – no
A. Donegan – no
W. Downey – yes
J. Fassler – yes
G. Garcia – abstain
T. Jacobson – no
T. Johnson – no
L. Larsen – no
D. Lemmer – no

G. Morre – no
M. Ohkubo – no
A. Oliver – no
P. Ozbirinci – no
S. Rosen – no
E. Schmidt (proxy Donegan) – no
H. Skoonberg – no
J. Stover – no

Senator J. Stover moved to extend time by 8 minutes, seconded with no objections.

Senator continued to explore the nuances and implications of the language debate, and it was clarified by presenters that the language used was pulled from the report cited and asked to keep in mind the driving point of the resolution which is calling for a change for incarcerated persons to have priority 1 registration.

J. Stover moved to amend the Rising Scholars resolution 3rd Whereas statement to read “Black/African-American and Hispanic/Latinx”, seconded.

A point of clarification was made that the specific order was suggested was because the terms Black and Hispanic are what is used in the citation.

A senator suggested to add a footnote to the motion to indicate the reason for the language used.

A clarifying question was asked if we can approve this today since it is a discussion item; it was clarified that it is an urgent discussion item that can be moved to today's Action Agenda if so moved by Senators.

Senator M. Ohkubo moved to extend the time by 5 minutes, seconded with no objections.

A roll call vote was called, and the motion failed with 3 yes votes, 2 abstentions, and 20 no votes.

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

L. Aspinall moved to advance the Rising Scholars Resolution to the Action Agenda, seconded. A roll call vote was called, and the motion passed by 2/3 votes with 1 abstention and 24 yes votes.

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

The item has been moved to the Action Agenda.

INFORMATION – None.

ADJOURNMENT

5:14 p.m.