



ACADEMIC SENATE

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

AGENDA

December 3, 2025, 3:15 p.m.

Santa Rosa: Senate Chambers, Doyle 145

Petaluma: Room 690, Richard Call Bldg.

ZOOM ID: 958 4627 3808

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CALL TO ORDER 3:15 p.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

We acknowledge that we gather at Santa Rosa Junior College on the territorial traditional land of the Pomo People in Santa Rosa and the Coast Miwok People in Petaluma, past and present, and honor with gratitude the land itself and the people who have stewarded it throughout the generations.

OPEN FORUM: Not to exceed 3 min. per person and 10 min. per topic. Time may be extended by the President or by approval of two-thirds of Senators present. To be added to the queue for Open Forum, please fill out the [Open Forum Form](#) and submit it to the [Academic Senate Administrative Assistant](#) before the meeting. Options for delivering your public comment include making your own statement or asking a colleague to read your statement when recognized or emailing your statement in advance to Academic Senate to be read by the Executive Secretary.

MINUTES (3:25 – 3:30): Correction/Adoption.

[Minutes of November 19, 2025](#)

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA Any senator may move any Consent item to the Action agenda to allow for discussion.

REPORTS (3:30 – 3:35):

1. [President's Report](#) (5 min) – J. Stover

CONSENT (3:35 – 3:40): Treated collectively as one Action item. Any senator may move any Consent item to the Action agenda to allow for discussion.

1. [CRC-approved Curriculum Writer's Handbook](#). Does the Senate approve the proposed changes to the handbook?

ACTION (3:40 – 4:40): Items must come from the Discussion agenda of a previous meeting or be carried over from a previous Action agenda.

1. [Is the body in support of creating a resolution re: AB1705 Reform?](#) (22.5 min) There is a motion on the table from Senator Melvin not yet assigned to the body "to approve the AB 1705 resolution as it's written" – that **will be addressed immediately by President Stover**.

Support Documents:

- [Practices and guidelines for forming a Senate workgroup](#) can be implemented in support of resolution development
- [SRJC Local Data](#) {[NotesVersion](#)}

2. **AP7120A: Options for Student Involvement and Outside Faculty Member** – M. Ohkubo, presenter (22.5 min). **Updated Voting Options for Student Involvement and Non-Discipline Faculty in Faculty Hiring** (non-exhaustive)

Re: Student Interaction Demonstrations

- Mandatory student interaction demonstration

*Please note: at the last senate meeting, Senator Bush made a motion to have mandatory student interaction demonstration as part of student involvement, which was seconded and repeated to the body. **This motion will be taken up first in the item.***

OR

- Optional student interaction demonstration

Re: Student SIC participation

- Mandatory student as a voting or nonvoting member of Screening and Interview Committee (committee decides) **OR**
- Optional student as a voting member of Screening and Interview Committee **OR**
- Optional student as a voting or nonvoting member of Screening and Interview Committee (committee decides)

Re: Outside Faculty SIC participation

- Mandatory outside faculty as a voting member on Screening and Interview Committee **OR**
- Mandatory outside faculty as a voting or non-voting member of Screening and Interview Committee (committee decides) **OR**
- Optional outside faculty member as a voting or non-voting of Screening and Interview Committee (committee decides)

And/or other voting options as called forth by Senators

Support Documents:

- [Link to Current AP7120A Draft](#)
- [Link to 4.3.2P document approved by Academic Senate in 2020.](#)

BREAK (4:25– 4:30)

3. **Does the Senate wish to explore the adoption of a standard 16-week academic calendar, and if so, [do we wish to establish a senate workgroup](#) to begin the necessary effort required?** (10 min) [The Mira Costa Calendar Project](#) serves as model for how one District moved from 18 weeks to 16 weeks.

DISCUSSION (4:40 – 4:50):

1. [A Discussion on the the SRJC Foundation’s five year \(2025—30\) Philanthropic Plan](#). *The Senate is being asked to provide answers to the following question prompts (10 min):*
 - What are the top two to three (2–3) priorities [in the Senate’s 10+1 purview](#) that are most critical to advancing [Santa Rosa Junior College’s 2025—30 Strategic Plan](#)?
 - Where do you see the biggest opportunities to impact student success in the next three to five (3–5) years?
 - What types of initiatives in the Senate’s area/purview could philanthropy uniquely advance?

INFORMATION (4:50 – 5:00):

1. **Honors Transfer Programs at California Community Colleges:** [Saddleback Honor’s Program Overview](#) and [Honors Program Local Information Sheet](#) – D. Cavazzi, Guest, Saddleback College, and Matthew Martin (English) and AC Panella (Communications), SRJC Petaluma (10 min)

ADJOURNMENT 5:00 p.m.

ALL FACULTY MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND ACADEMIC SENATE MEETINGS

This Academic Senate is created to secure the professional rights and to carry out the responsibilities of the faculty of the Sonoma County Junior College District. The faculty have the traditional right of college faculty to participate in the governance of the college. As specialists in specific disciplines and as experienced instructors, the participation of the faculty in the governance of the college is essential for the district’s pursuit of its mission. As professionals, the faculty have the right and a duty to set professional and ethical standards for the conduct of their profession and to promote the excellence of their profession. In order to achieve these ends and in accordance with Title 5 of the California Administrative Code, Subchapter 2, Sections 53200-53205, this Academic Senate is established.