



ACADEMIC SENATE

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

AGENDA

November 19, 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 – 3:35) Correction/Adoption.

[Minutes of October 29, 2025](#)

[Minutes of November 5, 2025](#)

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

REPORTS

None

CONSENT

Treated collectively as one Action item. Any senator may move any Consent item to the Action agenda to allow for discussion.

None

ACTION (3:35 – 4:30) Items must come from the Discussion agenda of a previous meeting or be carried over from a previous Action agenda.

1. **What recommendations does the Academic Senate have regarding curriculum needs specific to Generative Artificial Intelligence?** [The updated support document entitled General Guidance to help Disciplines Navigate AI Use](#) highlights Senators' previously discussed ideas from our [September 17th](#) and [October 1st](#) meetings as well as the action taken on [November 5th](#). (10 min)
2. **Is the body in support of creating a resolution re: AB1705 Reform?** Should the body vote in support of this item, [the practices and guidelines for forming a Senate workgroup](#) can be implemented in support of resolution development. (15 min)
[Dr. J. Smotherman will start the conversation with a quick review \(5 min\) of local data](#) [\[NotesVersion\]](#)
3. **AP7120A: Options for Student Involvement, Outside Faculty Member & Ranking** – M. Ohkubo, presenter (20 min). [Link to Current AP7120A Draft](#) and [Link to 4.3.2P document approved by Academic Senate in 2020](#).
 - As much language as possible was used from the 4.3.2P 2023 draft the Academic Senate sent to the President in 2020.
 - [The following options](#) were created using content from Academic Senate discussions on contract faculty hiring and the AP 2410 process.

STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

1. MANDATORY STUDENT ON INTERVIEW COMMITTEE AS VOTING MEMBER (CURRENT AP 7120A DRAFT)
2. MANDATORY STUDENT ON INTERVIEW COMMITTEE AS VOTING OR NON- VOTING MEMBER- STUDENT INTERACTION DEMONSTRATION ENCOURAGED
3. MANDATORY STUDENT INTERACTION DEMONSTRATION- STUDENT ON INTERVIEW COMMITTEE OPTIONAL

OUTSIDE FACULTY MEMBER

1. MANDATORY OUTSIDE VOTING FACULTY MEMBER (CURRENT AP7120A DRAFT)
2. MANDATORY OUTSIDE FACULTY MEMBER AS VOTING OR NON-VOTING MEMBER
3. OPTIONAL OUTSIDE FACULTY MEMBER AS VOTING OR NON-VOTING MEMBER

RANKING

1. NO RANKING (CURRENT AP 7120A DRAFT)
2. RANKING AS AN OPTION

4. 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.

BREAK (4:30 – 4:35)

DISCUSSION (4:35 – 4:45)

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 (4:45 – 5:00):

1. CRC-approved Curriculum Writer's Handbook Review. A. Foster. A highlight of the major changes in the handbook, which include a new Noncredit Section, a new Conflict Discipline/Overlap process, new definitions, new appendices, and more. (15 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.