

Glendale Community College Faculty Senate

Meeting Date: 1/22/2026, 2:30pm

Meeting Agreements

Approved Virtually at 12:00pm on 1/28/26

Attendance

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Karina Sokol, President | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jillane Ocano, Senator |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nick Baker, Senator | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alexander Patrick- Rolando, Senator |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aaron Fried, Senator | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Todd Polansky, Senator |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nina Gargulio, Senator | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ben Hedquist, Senator |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Erik Gergus, Senator | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aubrei Smith, Senator/ FEC representative |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christine Jones, Senator | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Worthy, Senator |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Kadel, Senator | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kristina Burch, FEC representative |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ed McKennon, Senator | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brent Kleinman, FEC representative |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chris Nielson, Senator | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doug Nottingham, Senator | |

Guests:

Genesis Toole, Dean of Student Life

Angela Schwendiman, Faculty

Open Comment (15 Minutes)

- Thank you to faculty who take advantage of the library program that provides online textbooks for free student access (i.e. the books aren't free to the library or college). Note- reach out to the library for assistance finding textbooks that can be provided by the library at no cost to students. The library tries to collect online textbooks and get licensing ahead of each semester.

Guests (15 Minutes)

- Dr. Genesis Toole & Dr. Angela Schwendiman- [Basic Needs Support Hub](#) (15 min)
 - Basic Needs Proposal
 - Moving forward on a Support Hub- requested space formerly occupied by the bookstore.
 - Will be submitting to the Shared Governance Council.
 - Already funded- Grab-n-go window through a grant from Sprouts.
 - Plans for the support hub will include a full food pantry; state agencies and services for resources; a social worker in this space; clothing closet.
 - Phased approach; working with the District for further grants and community partnerships.
 - Snap and Access representatives are on campus every Wednesday to assist students.
 - [AHCCCS & SNAP Flyer \(1\) \(2\).pdf](#)
 - [FoodDistributionandResourceFair_spring26_p1.pdf](#)
 - [SignUp Genius Links for Food Distribution](#)
 - Student Impact based on Fall 2025- 221 students received funding through Basic Needs; 96 finished fall semester; 78.26% enrolled in spring.

Call to Order and Agenda Approval (2 minutes)

- 2:51 PM- called to order
- Motion to approve the agenda from Senator Kleinemen; Second from Senator Nielson.
 - Agenda approved.

Old Business (30 minutes)

- POINT OF ORDER: Sense of Senate clarification (Worthy)- 10 min
 - What is a Sense of the Senate - identifies and records the opinions of the Senate on issues related to higher education.
 - Indicates to the designated recipient what the Senate body feels about a particular issue as decisions are being made.
 - Let other College Senates know and promote dialogue if there are similar concerns.
- [Update Maximum Daily Salary Rate for Reimbursement of Unused Sick Leave to Adjust for Inflation](#) (Fried/Kadel/McKennon/Burch)- 5 min
 - Move to Reconsider the vote on the Sense of the Senate to correct a roll call voting error for: [Update Maximum Daily Salary Rate for Reimbursement of Unused Sick Leave to Adjust for Inflation](#); motion from Secretary Smith; second from Senator Kadel. Motion passes unanimously.
 - Roll Call Vote:
 - Nick Baker, Senator- Yes
 - Aaron Fried, Senator- Yes
 - Nina Gargulio, Senator- Yes
 - Christine Jones, Senator- Yes
 - Steve Kadel, Senator- Yes
 - Ed McKennon, Senator- Yes
 - Chris Nielson, Senator - Yes
 - Doug Nottingham, Senator- Yes
 - Jillane Ocano, Senator- Yes
 - Alexander Patrick- Rolando, Senator- Yes
 - Todd Polansky, Senator- Not in meeting at time of vote.
 - Ben Hedquist, Senator- Yes
 - Aubrei Smith, Senator/ FEC representative- Yes
 - Lisa Worthy, Senator- Yes
 - Kristina Burch, FEC representative- Yes
 - Brent Kleinman, FEC representative- Yes
- [Extending Library and Database Privileges to Emeritus Faculty and Retired Faculty](#) (Nottingham/Gergus/McKennon)- 5 min
 - Move to Reconsider the vote on the Sense of the Senate to correct roll call voting error for: [Extending Library and Database Privileges to Emeritus Faculty and Retired Faculty](#)- Motion from Senator Kadel; Second from Senator Nottingham.
 - District legal has said we can not continue faculty email and MEID access once someone is no longer an employee. This would need discussion and consultation with District IT and Legal.
 - Everyone has access if they go to a campus library.
 - This is a standard provided across universities and should be offered. The Faculty Association should support this at district and work for a solution that aligns to district legal/security parameters but also allows digital access.
 - Motion to extend 5 minutes from Senator McKennon; Second from Senator Worthy.
 - Suggestion to reach out to other Senates before we do this. Stronger position in approaching

District.

- Motion passes; 12 in favor, none against, 3 abstentions.
- Roll Call Vote:
- Nick Baker, Senator- Yes
- Aaron Fried, Senator- Yes
- Nina Gargulio, Senator- Yes
- Christine Jones, Senator- Yes
- Steve Kadel, Senator- Yes
- Ed McKennon, Senator- Yes
- Chris Nielson, Senator- Yes
- Doug Nottingham, Senator- Yes
- Jillane Ocano, Senator- Yes
- Alexander Patrick- Rolando, Senator- Yes
- Todd Polansky, Senator- Not present at time of vote.
- Ben Hedquist, Senator- Yes
- Aubrei Smith, Senator/ FEC representative- Abstain
- Lisa Worthy, Senator- Abstain
- Kristina Burch, FEC representative- Yes
- Brent Kleinman, FEC representative- Abstain
- [Direct Faculty Participation in FEC- President Election](#) (Nottingham/Patrick- Rolando/McKennon/Kadel)- 5 min
 - Move to Reconsider the vote on the Sense of the Senate to correct roll call voting error for: [Direct Faculty Participation in FEC- President Election](#)- Motion from Senator Kadel; Second from Senator Patrick-Rolando.
 - Representative government is valid. We elect FEC representatives and trust them to represent our interests.
 - All faculty vote on campus leadership- Senate, FEC, President; we have a voice in our governance. FEC is an extension of this- we should be able to elect who represents us as a whole.
 - Concern-This could give more influence to candidates from larger colleges if people are voting for their colleagues directly. Concerns it'll be a popularity contest.
 - Motion to extend 5 minutes from Senator Kadel; Second from Senator Patrick-Rolando.
 - What if we don't reach a quorum?
 - Language can be added to the FEC bylaws indicating what to do in the event this happens. It could default to ratification by the FEC body.
 - This could generate more trust and participation in both the FEC and the FA.
 - Motion passes; 11 in favor, 4 against, no abstentions.
 - Roll Call Vote:
 - Nick Baker, Senator- Yes
 - Aaron Fried, Senator- No
 - Nina Gargulio, Senator- Yes
 - Christine Jones, Senator- Yes
 - Steve Kadel, Senator- Yes
 - Ed McKennon, Senator- Yes
 - Chris Nielson, Senator -No
 - Doug Nottingham, Senator- Yes
 - Jillane Ocano, Senator- Abstain
 - Alexander Patrick- Rolando, Senator- Yes
 - Todd Polansky, Senator- Not present at time of vote.

- Ben Hedquist, Senator- Yes
- Aubrei Smith, Senator/ FEC representative- Yes
- Lisa Worthy, Senator- Yes
- Kristina Burch, FEC representative- No
- Brent Kleinman, FEC representative- No
- [Direct Faculty Participation in RFA Ratification](#) (Nottingham/Patrick- Rolando/McKennon/Kadel)- 10 min
 - Move to Reconsider the vote on the Sense of the Senate to correct roll call voting error for: [Direct Faculty Participation in RFA Ratification](#) - Motion from Senator Kadel; Second from Senator Gargulio.
 - FEC is proposing changes to the voting process, but there are concerns about reaching quorum if left to all faculty.
 - Currently- The RFA does not have an Evergreen Clause. District legal has said we can not add one due to collective bargaining restrictions.
 - Language can be added to the FEC bylaws indicating what to do in the event this happens. It could default to ratification by the FEC body.
 - Currently proposed language allows each college to determine how the FEC representatives will vote. Our Senate could add language to the Constitution and/or bylaws indicating how we would like to do things here.
 - Motion to table the motion from Senator Kadel; Second from Senator Nottingham
 - Motion passes; 12 in favor; none against;; 3 abstentions

Officer Reports (5 minutes)

- President:
 - [Report linked here](#)
 - Accessibility- Department Charters and the Senate page need to be updated to meet accessibility requirements.
- Secretary:
 - Results from the all faculty vote to remove PRRC from the Senate Constitution- passed.
- Treasurer: No report

Committee Reports (50 minutes)

- College Faculty Staffing Advisory Committee (**CFSAC**) (Sokol/Ocano/Baker/Nielson)- 5 min
 - Reviewing feedback.
- College Plan Task Force (**CPTF**) (Sokol/Patrick-Rolando/Kadel/Jones/Gergus)- 2 min
 - Will be reviewing feedback and making recommended changes to CPTF. The finished version will be sent out to the Chairs and Senate for a vote later this spring.
- Technology Advisory Committee (**TAC**) (Nottingham)- 5 min
 - A subcommittee is addressing the abundance of fishing email tests and trainings.
 - A subcommittee is addressing AI concerns.
- Senate Governance and Operations Committee (McKennon/Burch)- 5 min- No report.
- Shared Governance Council (Sokol/Smith) - No report
- Compliance Committee (Worthy)- 5 min- No report.
- Commencement Committee (Garguilo)- 5 min
 - Request for nominations for faculty speaker. Self-nominations are accepted; Reach out to a Senator to put forward a candidate.
- Basic Needs Task Force (Garguilo)- 5 min- No additional report.
- Faculty Chair Report (Fried/Pampel)- 5 min
 - [25-26 FC Meeting Agenda for Senate Agenda 1/22/26](#)

- Integrated Resources and Planning Committee (**IRPC**) (Sokol)- 2 min
- FEC / Councilors at Large (Burch/Kleinman/ Sokol/Smith) - 10 min
 - “We are headed into an election year, and we need to be organized and fired up to ensure we retain a pro-education, pro-faculty Governing Board. There is the potential for four new GB members. I'm looking for your help identifying at least one faculty member (more are welcome) on your campus who will serve as the PAC Faculty Champion for your college. These folks would attend a monthly meeting with FACPAC Leadership to learn about election and lobbying efforts. They would also take the lead on organizing political activity among the faculty body at their campus. ” - Matt Jolly
 - [FEC Bylaws Redlined](#)
 - [FEC-Constitution 2025 Redline](#)

Senate Priorities Subcommittee Reports (15 minutes)

- Academic Reorganization Committee (ARC) (Sokol/ Fried/ Smith/ Nielson/ Kadel)- 2 min
 - [Email](#) sent on 1/20 with timeline and process for the rest of the semester.
- Club/Committee Work (Ocano/ Jones/Baker)- 5 min
 - Survey going out to committees next week.
- Reducing Student Barriers (McKennon/ Worthy/ Garguilo)-5 min- No report.

New Business (10 minutes)

- Employee Picnic Funding (Kadel)- 10 min
 - Motion to approve use of up to \$1750 for the picnic from Senator Kadel; Second from Senator Fried.
 - Administration is partnering with us by providing \$1000.
 - Motion passes unanimously

Information/Discussion (30 minutes)

- PARC information (Sokol/Christina Clark)- 5 min
 - Currently no software available to check Google sites for accessibility. Faculty who submitted IDPs on Google sites are being asked to restrict access to their pages. See email from Christina Clark.
 - [Web Platform Guidelines:External-facing Websites Created with Google Sites](#)
 - Request for peer reviewers. This is a crucial part of the PARC process. Diverse perspectives needed to review faculty PAR and IDP submissions. Hoping for 24 volunteers- currently have 43 IDPs and need reviewers. Strong need for CTE faculty.
 - Commitment: the more faculty on the committee, the fewer IDPs for each to review. Looking for 6 teams of 4 made up of service, CTE, and academic faculty. 2-3 meetings in addition to review. Review time frame: March 25th starts and goes through the first Friday of April. 1-2 meetings to discuss results, and then feedback/recommendations due the second Friday of April.
 - This counts as a committee assignment.
- Faculty Commencement Speaker (Sokol)- 5 min
 - Due date: January 31st; self-nominations or nominate a colleague; bring it to a faculty senator.
- AGECE (Fried)- 10 min
 - Concerns over lack of transparency and clear, meaningful communication.
 - Delays in approval of course designation applications.
 - Concerns over faculty involvement.
 - Restrictions for some of the designations.
 - Assessment concerns regarding General Education courses overall.
- Reducing security coverage on campus (Kadel)- 10 min
 - Concern- We have had increasingly reduced coverage; causes us to pull support from Glendale PD

and others; Commander not always on campus, which means police decisions fall to an administrator. This is due to a District decision.

- The chairs are discussing this with campus PD and District- addressing specific issues that have come as a result.

Adjournment (2 minutes)

- 4:47 PM Meeting Adjourned