ACADEMIC SENATE AGENDA

Tuesday, October 27, 2026
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

MEETING LOCATION: LRC 250 COMMUNITY ROOM
Meeting documents are also available in the AS SharePoint (CCCD login required)

Mission: The Golden West College Academic Senate's mission is to serve its faculty, promote the best interests of higher education, and to represent the faculty in campus, district, and state-level senate charges by carrying out the primary functions as delineated in the CA Code of Regulations, Title 5, section 53200, which includes both academic and professional matters, and consulting collegially with the local campus and district governing boards. For additional information on the Academic Senate and its mission, please visit the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges.

Vision: The GWC Academic Senate represents all faculty in the shared governance process. We are deeply committed to creating an inclusive and welcoming environment for faculty to express their diverse viewpoints and concerns while maintaining focus on curricular and professional activities. Our campus culture serves to express the collective sum of the individual differences, life experiences, knowledge, innovation, self-expression, and talent that our faculty invest in their work. The GWC Academic Senate will continue to focus on promoting excellence, access, opportunity, and inclusion on our campus and in our programs.

Please note: All GWC Academic Senate meetings are subject to audio and/or video recording at the Academic Senate's discretion to maintain a record of the proceedings. Agendas and minutes will be archived in the Academic Senate's SharePoint.

ACADEMIC SENATE ROLL CALL (Bold=Executive Board)	
Jennifer Bailly (Economics) – CCI Chair	Phuong Nguyen – Nursing/Health Professions
Amanda Best – Arts	Teresa Nguyen – ELL/ESL/GED
Pete Bouzar – Mathematics & Engineering	Diana Rochat – Classified Senate *(non-voting)*
Dawn Brooks – Performing Arts	Teresa Roston – Cosmetology
Ruth Cálcanas – Sociology & Ethnic Studies	Jason Sheley – Liberal Arts & Culture (ANTH, GEOG, PHIL)
Annamaria Crescimanno – Vice President | Biological Sciences	Matt Shimazu – Physical Sciences
Tiffany Dilello (Comm Studies) – Part-time Faculty At-large	Herman Singh – Economics & Political Science
Laura Duvall – Psychology	**Justin Smith – President | History & Education**
Kate Green (Chemistry) – IPD Chair	Julie Terrazas – Library
Leilani Johnson – Kinesiology, Health Ed, Athletics	Tammie Tran – World Languages (SIGN, INTR, SPAN, VIET)
Damien Jordan – Vice President | Counseling & EOPS	Aleksandra Uchlik – Accounting, Business, Computer Science
John Kasabian – Auto Tech, Digital Arts, Drafting	Michelle Veyette (English PT)–Distance Education Coordinator *(non-voting)*
Heather Kelley – Communication Studies	Ethan Widjaja – ASGWC *(non-voting)*
Theresa Lavarini - English	

I. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

A. Call to order – Justin Smith, AS President
B. Welcome Guests
   1. Dennis Nañez, Student Life & Leadership Specialist (1:10 pm)
   2. Carla Martinez, Dean of Students & Library (1:20 pm)
   3. Christina Oja, Student Programs Project Coordinator (1:30 pm)
C. Approval of the Agenda and Minutes
   1. Agenda – October 27, 2026
   2. Minutes – October 13, 2026
D. Announcements, Congratulations, and Appreciation
   1. District Foundation is accepting applications for the 2027-28 Faculty Funding Grant Opportunity (FFOG)

Up to ten grants of $2,000 each will be awarded this year to support innovative projects and initiatives that benefit our students and colleges. The application deadline is Friday, December 18, 2026.

- FFOG website & links to application materials
- Contact for additional information: foundation-info@cccd.edu
- As the District Foundation plans for future grant cycles, they are seeking feedback from faculty to help them improve the program for 2028–29 and beyond. If you have a few minutes to spare, they would greatly appreciate the faculty's participation in a brief 2–3 minute Survey.

2. Reminder: Special Meeting on Tuesday, November 3, in LRC 250 from 1-2 pm. Faculty Prioritization Hiring Selections
3. Accepting donations for the Academic Senate Sympathy & Salutations Fund. Foundation donation link

E. Opportunity for Public Comment *(3 minutes per speaker) - Members of the public have the opportunity to address the Academic Senate on any item that has been described in this notice, before or during consideration of the item. We ask that you keep your comments to three minutes. Thank you.*

II. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Appointment of faculty members to the Faculty Hiring Committees for the Fall 2026 Program Review Faculty Requests. *Approval is contingent upon the College President's final hiring decision.*

	POSITION	FACULTY	DISCIPLINE
1	**Cosmetology**	Jon Holland	Cosmetology
2		Teresa Roston	Cosmetology
3		Evangelina Rosales	Cosmetology
4	**Kinesiology/Health/PE 1 – Head Baseball Coach**	John Shipp	Kinesiology – Football
5		Matt Flesher	Kinesiology – Women's Water Polo
6		Monique Henderson	Kinesiology – Track & Field
7		Nick Mitchell – 4th member	Kinesiology – Football
8	**Kinesiology/Health/PE 1 – Head Volleyball Coach**	Krissy Barone	Kinesiology – Soccer
9		Matt Flesher	Kinesiology – Women's Water Polo
10		Nick Mitchell	Kinesiology – Football
11		Scott Taylor – 4th member	Kinesiology – Men's Water Polo

B. Search Committee – Temporary Full-time Spring 2027 contract due to a retirement.

	POSITION	FACULTY	DISCIPLINE
1	**Kinesiology/Health/PE – Head Volleyball Coach**	Krissy Barone	Kinesiology – Soccer
2		Nick Mitchell	Kinesiology – Football
3		Scott Taylor	Kinesiology – Men's Water Polo

III. NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS

Full and Part-Time Faculty members are encouraged to nominate themselves.
Visit the Academic Senate's Faculty Service Opportunities webpage to view committee openings, review committee descriptions, meeting information, and to submit your nomination. (PATHWAY: GWC Homepage > Quick Links > Academic Senate > Committees – Vacancies & Nominations)

A. Call for one Full-time Faculty Member to serve on the Search Committee for the District Manager of Payroll Systems. Timeline (draft) | Job Description | Nomination Link | Nominations close at 5pm on Thursday, November 5, 2026
B. Call for Nominations – DCC BP/AP Subcommittee: Fall 2026 | Meets 1st & 3rd Fridays from 1-2:30 pm on Zoom
C. Call for District Equivalency Oversight Committee | (1) Full-time Faculty Member At-Large
D. Call for Nominations for vacant terms beginning in Fall 2026 (see below)
The initial call was open for ten days (concluded September 4). After that period, positions will stay open until filled, with nominations submitted by noon on the Friday before a Senate meeting will be included on the agenda for committee appointment. Refer to the committee vacancies and nomination spreadsheet linked above to access the nomination forms.

- **Academic Senate** | Term: three years
  - Criminal Justice | 2026-29
- **Council for Curriculum & Instruction (CCI)** | Term: three years

- Art | 2026-29
- ELL/ESL/GED | 2026-29
- Kinesiology, Health Ed, Athletics | 2025-28
- Mathematics & Engineering | 2026-29

- **Distance Education Advisory Committee (DEAC)** | Term: three years unless otherwise specified
  - Automotive Technology, Digital Arts, & Drafting | 2024-27
  - Communication Studies | 2024-27
  - Criminal Justice | 2024-27
  - Psychology | 2026-29
- **Institute for Professional Development (IPD)** | Term: three years unless otherwise specified
  - Automotive Technology, Digital Arts, Drafting | 2024-27
  - Criminal Justice | 2025-28
  - Library | 2024-27
  - Social Sciences | 2024-27
- **College Technology Committee**
  - DEAC rep | 2025-27
- **DEIA Committee**
  - English, ELL, ESL | 2026-28
- **District Equivalency Oversight Committee**
  - (1) Full-time Faculty Member At-Large | 2026-2028

IV. GUEST REPORTS & UPDATES *(max 5 minutes per item; 5-10 minutes total)*

A. ASGWC Report - Ethan Widjaja, Student Body President
B. Faculty Club Advisors – Dennis Nañez, Student Life & Leadership Specialist (1:10 pm)
C. Introduction of Tamra Malone, Professional Expert-Student Conduct – Carla Martinez, Dean of Students & Library (1:20 pm)
D. Strengthening Institutions Program (SIP) Grant Overview – Christina Oja, Student Programs Project Coordinator (1:30 pm)
PowerPoint | GWC SIP 2026 Full Application Package

V. UNFINISHED DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS *(max 5-10 minutes per item; 10-15 minutes total*

A. Faculty Prioritization – Annamaria Crescimanno, AS Vice President
   1. Review and approval of the Fall 2026 Faculty Requests Ranking
   2. Ratings Process Debrief
B. Honors Program Update – Damien Jordan, AS Vice President
C. Best Practice Workgroup (Committees, Constituencies) - Justin Smith, AS President

VI. NEW DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS *(max 5 minutes per item; 5-10 minutes total)*

A. Role of AS in addressing systemic inequity and institutional barriers as it pertains to academic and professional matters - Acknowledgement * Accountability * Action
B. Other Agenda Requests

VII. STANDING DISCUSSIONS & ACTION ITEMS *(max 5 minutes)*

A. Program Review
B. AI (Artificial Intelligence)
C. 10 + 1

VIII. REPORTS & UPDATES *(max 3 minutes per report; total time 15 minutes (@ 2:45 pm)*

Electronic copies of written reports are due to the Senate Office by Thursday at 5:00 pm the week preceding the meeting for which the report is attached to the agenda.

A. AS President's Report – Justin Smith
B. AS Vice Presidents' Reports – Damien Jordan and Annamaria Crescimanno
   - DCC Budget Subcommittee Report – 10.23.26
C. Council for Curriculum & Instruction (CCI) – Jennifer Bailly, Chair
   - Strategic Plan – 2026-27 CCI Committee Goals & Action Items
   - Strategic Plan – 2025-26 CCI Committee Goals & Action Items
D. Institute for Professional Development (IPD) – Kate Green, Chair
E. Distance Education Advisory Committee (DEAC) – Michelle Veyette, DE Coordinator
F. Union Update – Theresa Lavarini, CFE Executive Director
G. Special Reports (as requested by Academic Senate)

H. Information Item

IX. ADJOURNMENT

A. Move to Adjourn. Thank You! – Senate President

X. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Senate Scholarship Fund Balance: Endowed balance: $7,417.81. *Donations may be submitted online:* ***Foundation donation link*** *with a note indicating funds are for the Academic Senate Scholarship Fund.*
B. Senate Sympathy and Salutations Fund – (*Senators may contact the Foundation Office to submit donations)*
C. 10+1 Senate Purview
   1. Curriculum including establishing prerequisites and placing courses within disciplines (*rely primarily*)
   2. Degree and certificate requirements (*rely primarily*)
   3. Grading policies (*mutually agree*)
   4. Educational program development (*rely primarily*)
   5. Standards or policies regarding student preparation and success (*rely primarily*)
   6. District and college governance structures, as related to faculty roles (*mutually agree*)
   7. Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes, including self-study and annual reports (*rely primarily*)
   8. Policies for faculty professional development activities (*rely primarily*)
   9. Processes for program review (*rely primarily*)
   10. Processes for institutional planning and budget development (*mutually agree*)
   11. Other academic and professional matters as mutually agreed upon between the governing board and the academic senate (*mutually agree*)