

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE
President's Cabinet

March 21, 2023 | 2:15 – 3:45 p.m. | MC 211A

1) CALL TO ORDER: Ashanti Hands, President

2) PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a) District and Campus Updates: President Ashanti Hands called the meeting to order. Dr. Hands thanked Joe Romero who extended an invitation for a student speaker to attend the Board of Governor's to speak on our baccalaureate degree programs. Acting Dean Cassandra Storey, Connie Renda, and team found a student who was able to tell his story.

President Hands shared about a Mesa College student, Wesley Renda, who invented the "WesCup" which holds three drinks in one cup. A news story ran that was filmed at Mesa Commons where he highlighted our instructional programs and student services – in particular, DSPS. He will be graduating from Mesa College this spring.

RE: Zero textbook cost initiatives – we are saving our students over \$4 million through the OER Zero text courses.

It was shared that Christopher Theissen, Mesa College 2007 Alumnus, who attended UCSD and other colleges, is now at UCSD at the Center for Astrophysics and Space Sciences and was recognized as a NASA Sagan Postdoctoral Fellow and UC Chancellor's Postdoctoral Fellow. After completing his postdoctoral fellowships, he hopes to become a faculty member at a research-oriented university.

Dr. Hands stated that Mesa College was identified as 1 of 30 California Community Colleges that are eligible to apply for the Native American Student Support and Success Program Grant. Twenty will be selected; President Hands shared that Dean Pearl Ly and others throughout the college are going to register to attend a webinar for more information.

There are some teacher education program grants and opportunities that we have been given the opportunity to apply and we will be hearing more about these partnerships with the San Diego Unified School District. There is fundraising through the Chancellor's Office and an opportunity for us to possibly pursue a family center on our campus. President Hands will be reaching out to some on campus to write letters of support on why this would be good for our students.

One of the SDCCD new vice chancellors is creating an Innovation Hub for creativity and collaboration for the district. Although this will be a district hub, it is designed with the intention of supporting the colleges. Each

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<p>college provided a list of names of who should be contacted for consulting on this project.</p>	
<p>3) STANDING REPORTS - GOVERNANCE</p>	
<p>a) Associated Students: Phoebe Truong, President of Associated Students, gave the following updates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Dr. Edeama Onwuchekwa Jonah presented on the land acknowledgement at the last AS meeting; AS is considering installing a plaque. 2) AS passed a resolution on the elimination of the Lifelong and Self-Development courses for Area E of Cal-GETC. They believe it should remain in place because they recognize how important classes such as personal growth are from their experiences. 3) AS passed their department funding bill and are excited to collaborate with different departments. 4) Last Thursday they held Therapy Talk in collaboration with the Student Health Services; this will be a recurring event. 5) Two weeks ago AS held a booth at Jumpstart and talked with many perspective students. 6) AS reviewed and approved the Accreditation ISER. <p>Dr. Hands shared regarding Area E of Cal-GETC, AB928, at the SDCCD Cabinet level it has been added as a standing item because they want to find ways to support and advocate. A resolution is on this week's Board of Trustees meeting which rejects the things that are being removed.</p>	<p>Phoebe Truong, President</p>
<p>b) Classified Senate: Courtney Lee, Vice President of Classified Senate, gave the following updates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) CS is getting documents updated. 2) CS will hold elections at the end of the semester. 3) At the CS meeting this Thursday they will discuss the land acknowledgment. 	<p>Courtney Lee, Vice President</p>
<p>c) Academic Senate: John Crocitti, President of Academic Senate, gave the following updates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) AS approved the accreditation ISER. 2) AS passed a resolution – Nuventive Software Canvas Shell Data Mining: regarding applications such as Nuventive and their ability to go into educational platforms such as Canvas; it was amended so in the future if it is deemed worthy to have such an application go into Canvas, the Senate will approve it. 3) AS elections were held and the new Vice President beginning July 1, 2023 is Veronica Gerace, Senator-at-Large, Erin Evans, and five adjunct Senators-at-Large: Carlyne Allbee, Cathy James, Geoff Johnson, Emmett Lancaster, and Olga Pilipets. No was elected as the CTE liaison to SDMC AS. 4) April 10 CS will be entertaining two Vice Chancellors: VC of Institutional Innovation and Effectiveness, Michelle 	<p>John Crocitti, President</p>

Fischthal, and VC Development and Entrepreneurship, Laurie Coskey. They will discuss the innovation program and also the ETI Employee Training Institute, and other revenue generating plans.

4) Institutional Reports

Committee for Diversity, Action, Inclusion, and Equity (CDAIE): The Presentation included acknowledgment of the diversity of students, employees, celebration days, events / trainings, spaces on campus, CDAIE membership and structure, and proposed land acknowledgment statement.

Judy Sundayo, Vicki Miller, Blythe Barton, Edeama Onwuchekwa Jonah, Amber Alatorre
CDAIE Presentation:

https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the-president/presentation-documents/CDAIE_PCAB3-21-23.pdf

5) Spotlight On Equity and Excellence

a) African American Male Education Network and Development (A2MEND) Conference: VPSS Maxey shared that a few weeks ago they attended the A2MEND conference which has the focus of supporting the success of Black males within higher education system in California. It was a fantastic event and the Leadership Fellows, Robyn Bolden, Jordan Nash, and others, took the lead on securing a bus and they took a delegation of about 25 Mesa College representatives, most being students. The presentation included a reflection from those that attended the conference and shared that students had the opportunity to be exposed to other Black educators, students, administrators, community leaders, etc., which fosters the development of their identity, professionalism, and ability to network while broadening their perspectives beyond Eurocentric education standards.

Robyn Bolden, Jordan Nash, Black Student Success Leadership Fellows Program
Students:

Alexis Primo-Hawkins

George Buchanan, Jr.

A2MEND Presentation:

https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the-president/presentation-documents/A2MEND_Conference_Reflection_Pcab032123.pdf

b) Dance Program: Blythe Barton presented on the Mesa College Dance program which included dance that was include with events on campus, adjustments made during COVID with asynchronous learning and evolved delivery, upcoming performances, data dashboard reflections, performance course enrollment, program growth with innovation grant, Veteran engagement and a performing arts complex, and awards/transfer. A video was shown at the end of the presentation (link is on the last slide of the presentation).

Blythe Barton, Donna Flournoy, Dance Program Associate Professors

Dance Program Presentation:

https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the-president/presentation-documents/Dance_SPotlight_PCAB032123.pdf

c) Mesa's Online Success Team (MOST): Katie Palacios and Kelly Spoon presented on the Mesa's Online Success Team which included the MOST leaders, projects, timeline from fall 2021 – spring 2023, OnRamp to Online collaborations course modules and Pilot with feedback, online courses for access, Coaching from Mesa online faculty, workshops, online course design cohorts, and MOST community of practice data.

Katie Palacios, LOFT, Instructional Designer
Kelly Spoon, Associate Professor, Mathematics
MOST Presentation:

https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the-president/presentation-documents/Mesa_Online_Success_Team_MOST_PCA B_032123.pdf

6) OPERATIONS

a) Instructional Updates: Vice President of Instruction, Isabel O'Connor, shared the following updates:

- 1) Dr. O'Connor stated the MOST is about 1 ½ old, but has grown from Mesa Buddies to all the talent they have shown today and she thanked Katie Palacios and Kelly Spoon and Janue Johnson, and Dean Andy MacNeill. She makes time to meet with the FIGs and hearing their amazing projects. Dr. O'Connor stated we have come a long way and it is a great model because not only do we have our own faculty, but also we immersed the faculty in the schools and sharing ideas.
- 2) The enrollment for the short-term courses is doing really well; today a demonstration from a new dashboard at the District level. The enrollment plan is getting meat on the bones – Dr. O'Connor thanked the 7 workgroups that are beginning to put all the information and the co-leads.
- 3) In the fall we are going to do another Evening Olympians and Dr. O'Connor thanked Dr. Cynthia Rico and Dr. Ailene Crakes along with all the instruction Deans trying to figure out what courses we can package for the evening students, particularly Veteran students who need to take on-campus classes. There are currently about 9 classes and will be working very closely with Jennifer Kearns on how to advertise those classes.
- 4) Dr. O'Connor is collecting feedback on AB928 (Cal-GETC); the CIO organization has been invited to meet on April 3, 2023 with the Inter-Segmental Community that created this implementation plan and will put together information for the CIO board to share with that group.
- 5) CE Day at Mesa was amazing; it was raining but attendance was good. This was a dream of the Pathways intentionality to connect with our colleagues at CE. Dr. O'Connor thanked Vicki, Karla, Trina, Marisa, and Howard and our colleague from Continuing Education.

Isabel O'Connor, VPI

b) Student Services Updates: Vice President of Student Services, Larry Maxey, shared the following updates:

- 1) USC Race and Equity Center has initiated an opportunity for colleges to participate in a grant opportunity to support the success of men of color. Leland Simpliciano, Janue Johnson and our Leadership Fellows and Leticia Diaz will be submitting a simple grant and we are hopeful to have the opportunity to come away with the \$75,000 which would do a lot to support our men of color here at Mesa College.
- 2) RE: email migration: students will be receiving their SDCCD emails upon return from spring break.
- 3) Black Student Success Week is April 24-28, 2023; this is a statewide collaborative that promotes opportunities for Black students to engage in community. The previous effort was designed to be opportunities in various programs and students would log on in an online

Larry Maxey, VPSS

virtual space to participate throughout the state. This year is different; each college is going to be hosting their own series of activities and events along with some statewide efforts from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. that students can log on and be supported throughout the system but primarily this is going to be something that we are working on to develop for our Black students. VPSS Maxey will be working with the Leadership Fellows and Veronica to develop an agenda for our campus. On April 21, 2023, our district is going to be hosting a Black Student Success workshop.

4) VPSS was notified that there was some incorrect MIS reporting for some of the categorical programs including DSPS, Next-Up, EOPS; it has been noted particularly in DSPS, that the numbers for our program were under-reported. There is an opportunity through April 7, 2023 to resubmit the correct numbers which will have an impact on our funding.

5) VPSS Maxey attending his first CSSO conference last week and will share that information with the student services leadership team.

c) Administrative Services Updates: Jacqueline Collins gave the report on behalf of VPA Lorenze Legaspi and shared the following:

1) Jacqueline shared the gym bleachers are being installed and should be finished by Friday.

2) Commencement is being held again on the campus in the Merrill Douglas Stadium, 2:00 p.m., Friday, May 26, 2023. This Thursday is the final deadline for regalia; if you have not requested regalia please respond to the email by Thursday.

3) PC Refresh – We are about 280 down the line; a little over 500 allocated PCs. They are working at SB tomorrow and ask that all start backing up your PCs now (C drive and email). If employees are not ready when they arrive they will still swap out the machines and come back to help archive the data on the existing machine.

4) Wayfinding: Jacqueline shared pictures of the wayfinding project and all will start to see fencing and hear noise on the east side of campus. There will be a monument backlit directories are going up in various areas and also on the corner of Mesa College Drive and Mesa College Circle the big sign.

d) Mesa2030: Jacqueline shared they held a meeting about 2 weeks ago with the Mesa2030 Taskforce and there was rubric developed that they looked at the Mesa2030 plan, the impacts on students' experience, environmental, health and wellbeing, social equity and finance. The rubric was used to rate their recommendation on which buildings should go first, and programs. English, Performing Arts, Student Housing, Conference Center, Athletics, the MET facilities, Welcome Center, Child Development Center,

Jacqueline Collins, Director, Coll. Facilities / Operations

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Wayfinding Photos:

https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the-president/presentation-documents/Admin-Services_Wayfinding_Pcab3-21-23.pdf

Community Clinic, west entrance, and outdoor spaces. They are ensuring the recommendation that they put forward to the president has lots of voices and support behind it.

President Hands added that there are currently only 69 faculty who responded for regalia; a lot more faculty should be showing up to support our students at their greatest and finest moment. Please respond by Thursday, even if you do not need regalia, that you will be participating. Jacqueline sent an email today to all administrators, contract and adjunct faculty.

e) Accreditation / Program Review: Acting Dean of IE, Hai Hoang, gave the following updates:

- 1) Program Review:
 - a. Writing continues.
 - b. Reminder: deadline for Resource Request is April 5.
 - c. Training this week:
 - 1 to 2 pm on Wednesday: BARC
 - 2 to 3 pm on Wednesday: CHP
 - 3 to 4 pm on Thursday: open work session
- 2) Accreditation: approved by student senate and academic senate.
- 3) ACCJC Annual report: PIEC have set the goals for ISS and goal for 5 metrics (success, certificate, associate degree, bachelors, and transfer).

f) Mesa Pathways Committee (MPC): Marisa Alioto, Co-Chair of MPC, shared the committee update which included CCE Mesa Day, Academic and Career Pathways, Mesa Success Coaches, Data Coaching, Mesa Launchboard Career Exploration Guide, Pathways Fellows, and Credit for Prior Learning.

Hai Hoang, Acting Dean, Institutional Effectiveness

Marisa Alioto, Howard Eskew, Co-Chairs MPC
Mesa Pathways Committee Update:
https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the-president/presentation-documents/Mesa_Pathways_PCABReport3.21.23.pdf

6) ACTION ITEMS: Second Reading: ISER April 4, 2023

Calendar:

Faculty Recognition: Thursday, April 13, 2023, 5:00 – 7:30 p.m., MC 211 A/B
Scholarship Awards: Wednesday, April 26, 2023, 4:30 – 8:00 p.m., Mesa Gym
Commencement: Friday, May 26, 2023: 2:00 – 6:00 p.m., Merrill Douglas Stadium

Spring 2023 Pcab Meetings: 2/7, 2/21, 3/7, 3/21, 4/4, 4/18, 5/2, 5/16

*Institutional Committees / Special Reports / Spotlight:

- 2/21/23: Puente (C. Allred, R. Rodriguez, J. Bernal); Transfer, Career and Evaluations (O. Picolla)
3/7/23: ISER First Reading (H. Hoang, L. Shapiro); Spotlight: Mesa Impactship Program (A. Berry)
3/21/23: ACCJC Annual Report (H. Hoang); CDAIE (J. Sundayo); Spotlight: A2MEND Conference Experience (L. Maxey);
Spotlight: Dance Program (B. Barton, D. Flournoy); Spotlight: MOST (K. Palacios)
4/4/23: Technology Plan first reading (D. Fierro); CTE Economic Impact Study Report (M. Romero); Final Reading
ISER (H. Hoang, L. Shapiro); Spotlight: Humanizing Online STEM Teaching (K. Palacios); Spotlight: Pathway Fellows
(M. Alioto)
4/18/23: Technology Plan second reading (D. Fierro); Mesa Pathways Committee (M. Alioto, H. Eskew); CEL (J. Johnson);
Spotlight Call to Action in Arts, Languages, Humanities (L. Shimazaki, L. Hensley); Spotlight:
Supporting AAPI Students (P. Ly)
5/2/23: President's Cabinet Retreat – 2:15 – 5:00 p.m., MC 211 A/B (First readings of BARC, FHP, CHP)
5/16/23: Enrollment Management (I. O'Connor); BARC Resource Request (L. Legaspi); FHP, CHP

Spotlight on Equity and Excellence presentations may be view at the Mesa College YouTube Channel at:

<https://youtu.be/g95DGNu2ZZM>

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