

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE

President's Cabinet

September 19, 2023 | 2:15 – 3:45 p.m. | MC 211 A

1) CALL TO ORDER: Ashanti Hands, President

2) PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a) District and Campus Updates: President Hands stated that SB 447 passed and we will now no longer be required to request Chancellor's approval to travel to banned states. Instead, they are building a caveat where they are going to make sure the message they want to convey about LGBTQ populations are expressed to those states – to promote more awareness and hope that they do things differently. This is effective immediately.

We have partnered with General Hope / FamilyU for the purpose of making sure we are serving our parenting students well. At last look at the data it showed that just above 22% of our students are student parents. One of our upcoming presentations will tell more about the program and we will also highlight our partnership at our presentation to the Board of Trustees on November 9, 2023. Mesa College received a Seal from the FamilyU Seal program; schools had to apply for that Seal and show they met the standards by demonstrating that they are actively creating those conditions for successful outcomes for these students.

Twenty-five positions were created a few years ago from State funds for faculty positions; these positions were split among the colleges. The District, as a result of those 25 being hired, stated from further analysis on those hires that SDCCD was able to save costs with hiring adjuncts. They want to feed back into that same program and will now have 14 new faculty positions throughout the District. CE and Miramar got 4 positions each; Mesa and City will get 3 positions each. Two of the Mesa College positions are for counseling faculty. Therefore, from the 13 positions from the Faculty Hiring Priority List 13 there is + 1 position. There will be a discussion on what that looks like and the impact.

Ashanti Hands, President

3) STANDING REPORTS - GOVERNANCE

a) Associated Students: Associated Students President, Ixchel Valencia Diaz, share the following updates:
1) AS elected new Senators for the 2023-2024 academic year bringing it to a total of 21 students in Associated Students.
2) AS is planning Spirit Week's Pep Rally for Mesa sports teams as well as a timeline for events for the fall semester.
3) AS is awaiting the elected Executives from the ICC; they will be announced this Friday. AS wants to create a stronger bond with I.C.C. (Inter-Club Council) and campus clubs for the academic year.

Ixchel Valencia Diaz, President

<p>President Hands added that she will schedule regular meetings with the Associated Students Executive Officers.</p>	
<p>b) Classified Senate: Classified Senate Acting President, Ayana Woods, shared the following updates: 1) CS met last Thursday and discussed changing their meeting times and it was changed from Thursdays to Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. to accommodate everyone's schedules. 2) CS is working on their special election for the Treasurer position. 3) CS will hold the department decorating contest during Spirit Week.</p>	<p>Ayana Woods, Acting President</p>
<p>c) Academic Senate: Academic Senate President, Andrew Hoffman, shared the following updates: 1) AS held its first meeting on September 11, 2023. Dean Leticia Diaz spoke at the meeting on the new testing center. 2) Derrick White from Mental Health Counseling also spoke to the Senators about his experience and what he hopes to accomplish on our campus. 3) Andrew introduced to the Senate for future discussion on automative parking enforcement. 4) AS will be filling their empty positions on the Executive Committee; Secretary, two Senators-at-Large. 5) Andrew sent out his first newsletter today to the faculty.</p>	<p>Andrew Hoffman, President</p>
<p>4) Institutional Reports</p>	
<p>a) Enrollment Management Taskforce: VPI Isabel O'Connor and Professor Donna Budzynski shared the second reading to propose changing the Taskforce to the Enrollment Management Committee. After discussion, this proposal was unanimously approved.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>Action Item: A motion was made to accept the proposal to change the Enrollment Management Taskforce to the Enrollment Management Committee by Mary Gwin; Second: John Crocitti. The motion was approved unanimously.</p> </div> <p>b) AANHPI- SAP – Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Student Achievement Program. Ailene Crakes, Dean of Student Development, shared the history behind the funding for minority-serving institutions and the Stop AAPI Hate Movement. A total of 43 colleges were identified as eligible for AANHPI Student Achievement Program funding, including Mesa College who receive the first set of funds totaling \$150,697 in June 2023. The presentation includes the core focus areas and future presentations to campus committees this semester.</p> <p>c) New Test Proctoring Center: Leticia Diaz, Dean of Student Success & Equity, and Erika Higginbotham,</p>	<p>Isabel O'Connor, Vice President, Instruction Donna Budzynski, Chemistry Department Chair</p> <p>Enrollment Management Website: https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/administration/instructional-services/enrollment-management/index.shtml</p> <p>Ailene Crakes, Dean, Student Development</p> <p>AANHPI-SAP Presentation: https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the-president/presentation-documents/AANHPI-SAP_Presentation_Pcab_9-19-23.pdf</p> <p>Leticia Diaz, Dean, Student Success & Equity Erika Higginbotham, DSPS Coordinator/Counselor/Chair</p>

- 3) The AANAPISI external evaluator visit is occurring this week.
- 4) SS&E Rising Scholars Team will be supporting students with a clinic on September 19.
- 5) The Pride Center is hosting the academic year free HIV testing in collaboration with San Ysidro Health. Please forward this information to students.
- 6) Pride Scholars program welcomed 116 students.
- 7) Dreamer Resource Center and Borderless Scholars are holding free immigration consultations with attorneys for employees and students.
- 8) Club Rush is being held today, day 1 of 3 days. 35 Clubs participated on the Sunrise Plaza. They elevating their collaboration with the Inter-Club Council. Elections for I.C.C. will be held on Friday.
- 9) Spirit Week is October 16 – 21, 2023; there will be a decorating contest and other activities occurring, including the Pep Rally to recognize the Mesa College athletes; AS will be hosting a carnival on October 18.
- 10) September is Suicide Awareness Prevention – every week Student Mental Health and Student Health have collaborated to host an event. Last week was a t-shirt distribution – 300 shirts were distributed. This also includes zoom counseling for students.
- 11) COVID is on the rise; Suzanne Khambata shared that numbers are increasing and Student Health will be holding a workshop on how to protect yourself from the new strand of COVID. Flu shots are available at Student Health.
- 12) LiveChat – online resource is a resource that is manned by Student Affairs interns and project assistants of the Mesa Journeys, and Outreach Ambassadors, not AI. Some classified professionals help during the evening hours, they have impacted 7,300 students who have asked questions and able to get a quick response. There is an AI responding – that Chatbot has responded to 75,000 inquiries.
- 13) Scholarship: Last they offered students that participated in the writing workshops and applied for three scholarships received \$100. The data showed that of the 200 students that attended the workshop had a much higher rate of being awarded a scholarship. Of the total amount of scholarships awarded, 41% of the funds were awarded to students that attended the workshop.

c) Administrative Services Updates and CA Budget Highlights: VPA Legaspi shared on the SDCCD Adopted Budget link, which is available on the SDCCD BoardDocs website, where he added some of the Mesa2030 Strategic Objectives to the items he is presenting to make sure we are highlighting our focus on Mesa2030 and the Roadmap. The Adopted Budget was presented to the board at last Thursday's meeting and VPA Legaspi shared some of the highlights, including the volatility of the California State budget and how our district, SDCCD, will have to respond. 2023-24 has a deficit of \$31,500,000,000. A special reserve was set up by the

Lorenze Legaspi, Vice President, Administrative Services

Administrative Services Presentation:
https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the-president/presentation-documents/Admin_Services_PresentationPcab9-19-23.pdf

SDCCD 23-24 Adopted Budget:
<https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the->

current and previous governors for economic uncertainty which is money set aside from the State that goes to K-12 and community colleges. An 8.22% Cost of Living adjustment was received. The District is emerging from Hold Harmless; the emergency conditions allowance contends the State will fund colleges at whatever FTES they received in the fiscal year 18-19. This year moving forward we will be using our total FTES as part of a 3-year rolling average. VPA Legaspi noted that City College was approved for a housing grant where they received \$75 million from the State for affordable student housing. It is 808 beds they will be building downtown. The entire project will cost \$288 million. A link to the SDCCD 23-24 Adopted Budget may be found at:

<https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the-president/cabinet-documents.shtml>

The presentation then provided information on the COVID-19 State Block Grant and the purpose of those funds, Access Point Upgrade, Wayfinding (new video monitors on campus), and a travel update.

d) Accreditation / Program Review: Dr. Hands shared the following updates:

1) October 12, 2023, from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m., is the Accreditation Team Open Forum to the Mesa College campus. Two meetings have been scheduled with the ACCJC Visiting Team: a team meeting with our executive leadership on Monday, September 25, 2023; and then the Open Forum held via Zoom for them to be able to share information with the entire campus.

For Program Review, information has been shared on how to complete and do it within the new system that we have. As emails are shared, they will provide training dates and opportunity to engage with the process.

e) Mesa Pathways: Marisa Alioto, Co-Chair of the Mesa Pathways Committee, shared an update on Mesa Success Coaches. They held a check-in with Ian Duckles today who shared that they have 46 coaches and 225 students being served. The coaches are meeting regularly and students who have requested to be texted are found to be more engaged.

On October 31, 2023, a Halloween Mixer will be held from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

f) 60th Anniversary Updates: Leticia Diaz, Dean of Student Success & Equity, shared the following updates:

1) January – December 2024 is the San Diego Mesa College 60th Anniversary Celebration. There will be a lot of opportunities to be connected and engaged. The theme is 60 Years of Equity and Excellence. Festivities will start the week of February 5, 2024 – they want to highlight 60 events through the 60 years. There are still opportunities

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Marisa Alioto, Howard Eskew, MPC Co-Chairs

Mesa Pathways Updates:

https://www.sdmesa.edu/about-mesa/office-of-the-president/presentation-documents/MesaPathways_9.19.23.pdf

Leticia Diaz, Dean, SSE

to include your event and ideas with the committee. There are smaller projects such as working on the Mesa college timeline. There will be an exhibit for the 60th anniversary and a kickoff event and a closing gala. An email will be sent with additional information.

7) ACTION ITEMS:

Calendar:

9/26/23: Chancellor's Forum, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m., MC 211 A/B

10/12/23: Accreditation Team Campus Forum, 1:00 – 2:00 p.m., Zoom

10 16-20, 2023 Spirit Week. 10/21/23: Homecoming, 6:00 p.m., Merrill Douglas Stadium

11/9/23: BOT meeting at Mesa College, 4:00 p.m. Mesa Presentation; 5:00 Regular Business Meeting, MC 211 A/B

12/6/23: Holiday Reception, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., MC 211 A/B

Fall 2023 Semester 2023 Pcab Meetings: 9/5, 9/19, 10/3, 10/17, 11/7, 11/14 (Pcab Retreat), 12/5

*Institutional Committees / Special Reports / Spotlight:

9/5/23: SD Mesa College Technology Plan (D. Fierro); New Classified Institute (E. Parrill, T. Le, J. Park, D. Di Piero)

9/19/23: AANHPI- SAP (Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Student Achievement Program (A. Crakes);

New Test Proctoring Center (L. Diaz, E. Higginbotham); Spotlight: Affinity Space Process (L. Legaspi)

10/3/23: HSI Grant (T. Parsons); Strong Workforce (A. Berry); Spotlight: Zero Textbook Cost/Degree Pathways/Grants (L. Burgert)

10/17/23: CCAP (L. Hensley, G. Abbiate); Spotlight: Treobytes Summer Camp; Special Report: Innovation Grants (Stellmacher)

11/7/23: Creating Space in the LRC (M. Manasse); Mesa's Online Success Team MOST (K. Palacios); Spotlight: Child Dev. Center and Enrollment Updates (C. Gosser)

11/14/23: Retreat, 2:15 – 5:00 p.m. Special Guests – FamilyU Executive Visit (J. Aleman)

12/5/23: Spotlight: Strengthening Our Roots and Sustainable Food Futures grants (W. Ray / Students)

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

<https://youtu.be/q95DGNu2ZZM>

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