

In Attendance: Schellenberg, Stephen (Chair), Adé, Taharka (Vice Chair), Curtis, Christopher (Secretary), Seshagiri, Sridhar (Treasurer), Lach, Pamela (APP), Jeffery, Keven (CCE), Baljon, Arlette (CBL), Hernández, Roberto (DEI), Edgerton-Tarpley, Kathryn (FA), Schuermann, Savanna (LA), Cartmill, Briana (SA), Cornelis, Erlinde (Sust.), LaChance, Marie (UC), Hentschel, Brian (URP), Csomay, Eniko (CSU AS), Love-Geffen, Tracy (Dean), Kanaan, David (Senator at Large), Butler Byrd, Nola (prior Chair), Vasquez, Marissa (Senator at Large), Lockwood, Lanie (Senator at Large), Holstrom, Kareen (AS Pres.) Shultz, Norah (Parliamentarian)

Substitute:

Absent: Tong, William "Bill" (Provost) (late), Brooks, Joanna (AVP) (late), Rhodes, Gloria (CFA)

Quorum: 17 of 24; Quorum Achieved at 1:59 PM

Guests: McCall, Madhavi (AVP)

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Land Acknowledgement (Adé)

We stand upon a land that carries the footsteps of millennia of Kumeyaay people. They are a people whose traditional lifeways intertwine with a worldview of earth and sky in a community of living beings. This land is part of a relationship that has nourished, healed, protected and embraced the Kumeyaay people to the present day. It is part of a world view founded in the harmony of the cycles of the sky and balance in the forces of life. For the Kumeyaay, red and black represent the balance of those forces that provide for harmony within our bodies as well as the world around us.

As students, faculty, staff and alumni of San Diego State University we acknowledge this legacy from the Kumeyaay. We promote this balance in life as we pursue our goals of knowledge and understanding. We find inspiration in the Kumeyaay spirit to open our minds and hearts. It is the legacy of the red and black. It is the land of the Kumeyaay.

Eyay e'Hunn My heart is good.

—Michael Miskwish, Kumeyaay Nation

1.2. [SDSU University Senate Resolution on Principles of Shared Governance, April 9, 2019](#)

WHEREAS: Shared governance is a system of partnership, equity, accountability, and ownership that forms a culturally sensitive, inclusive, and empowering framework for developing and implementing sustainable and accountability-based decisions in service to all members of our campus and broader communities; and...

WHEREAS: Shared governance is an ongoing process in which faculty, staff, students, and administrators actively engage to share responsibility for 1) identifying and pursuing an aligned set of mission-driven sustainable outcomes and priorities and 2) active monitoring and evaluating of shared governance successes and pitfalls in service to continual improvement and the embodiment of a learning organization; and...

WHEREAS: A shared practice of, and shared commitment to, respect, communication, and responsibility will promote and support the growth and sustainment of trustworthiness within our University community...

1.3. Welcome (Schellenberg)

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Curtis)

Motion to approve seconded and passed with unanimous approval.

3. APPROVAL OF SEC MEETING MINUTES (Curtis)

3.1. SEC meeting Minutes for [9/25/2025](#)

Moved, seconded and passed with unanimous approval.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1. Staff Affairs Committee (SAC) (Cartmill)

4.1.1. Staff Emeritus.....Page 04

Moved, seconded and approved with unanimous approval.

4.2. Faculty Honors & Awards Committee (FHAC) (Welsh)

4.2.1. Faculty Emeritus Request.....Page 05

Moved, seconded and approved with unanimous approval.

4.3. Committee on Constitution & ByLaws (CBL) (Baljon)

- 4.3.1. Referral 22/23_19 and Referral 23/24_15
Update Policy Language Related to Committees - [Second Reading](#).....Page 06
- 4.3.2. Enforcement of Policy That a Senator Serves on a Committee
- [Second Reading](#).....Page 14
- 4.3.3. Adopt the following update to Bylaws 4.4 - [Second Reading](#)Page 15
- 4.3.4. Clarify Quorum - [Second Reading](#).....Page 17

All items moved and approved with unanimous approval.

5. RESOLUTIONS

5.1. Resolution Calling for a Referendum of No Confidence in Chancellor Mildred Garcia and the California State University Board of Trustees (Brown et al.).....Page 18

Discussion began around 3:41. Concluded at 4:20.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1. Faculty Affairs Committee (FA) (Edgerton-Tarpley)

6.1.1. 2025-2026 Annual Agenda/Goals.....Page 22

6.2. Undergraduate Council (UGC) (Brooks)

6.2.1. October 2025 Meeting Report.....Page 24

6.3. Lecturer Affairs Committee (LAC) (Schuermann)

6.3.1. Lecturer Affairs Committee (LAC) 25/26 Annual Goals.....Page 25

6.4. University Resources & Planning (URP) (Hentschel)

6.4.1. Correcting misinformation in the first five “whereas” statements in the proposed Resolution of No Confidence (Item 5.2 of 7 Oct 2025 Senate Agenda).....Page 26

Item pulled for discussion by Chair Lach (2:41). Discussion followed till 3:04.

6.5. Graduate Council (GC) (Love)

6.5.1. Course Modifications.....Page 33

6.6. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (UCC) (LaChance)

6.6.1. Course Modifications.....Page 34

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6.6.3. Program Modifications.....Page 36

6.6.4. New 500-Level Courses.....Page 37

6.7. Committee on Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI)(Hernández)

6.7.1. DEI Annual Agenda, 2025-2026.....Page 38

Item pulled for discussion by Chair Baljon (2:15).

6.8. Senate Vice Chair Report (Adé)

6.8.1. Referral Chart.....Page 39

6.9. Senate Treasurer Report (Seshagiri)

6.9.1. Senate Expenditures (AY2025-26).....Page 40

7. REPORTS

7.1. SEC Report (Schellenberg)

7.2. President’s Report (de la Torre)

[TIME CERTAIN 2:30PM]

7.2.1. WASC Reaffirmation of Accreditation (McCall)

Delivered at 2:23. Discussed upcoming WASC Accreditation visit.

7.3. Provost Report (Tong)

[TIME CERTAIN 3:15PM]

7.3.1. Enrollment Update.....Page 41

Delivered from 3:15 - 3:40. Questions regarding greater details about system and university dynamics, budget concerns, and so forth were asked.

7.4. Associated Students President Report (AS) (Holstrom)

Began at 4:20. Ended at 4:30.

8. ADJOURN

Moved, seconded, passed with unanimous approval at 4:30.