

ATTENDANCE: ~~A. Abel Mills, A. Acuna (IV Student), T. Adé (Vice Chair), M. Altamirano (IV), N. Arceneaux (perm replacement: Schmitz Weiss), G. Asante, P. Atterton, J. Baek, A. Baker, A. Baljon, S. Barbone, D. Bedau, T. Biggs, P. Blomgren, R. Brandon, J. Brooks (sub: J. Toy), T. Brown, N. Butler Byrd (Senate Chair), J. Camacho, N. Carter-Curtis, P. Castillo (UAPD), S. Cohen, E. Csomay, J. Davison (CSUEU), A. de la Torre, K. Delgado, R. deSouza (perm. replacement: Dykstra-Devette), U. Dogan, B. Donyanavard, R. Dowell, A. Doshi, L. Duesbery, R. Dumas, M. Emch (Alumni), L. Estrada (IV Student), J. Felner, J. Frazee, A. Fuller (Secretary), I. Gibson, S. Gill, M. Greciar, B. Hentschel, P. Herman, K. Hernandez (Student), R. Hernández, D. Herrera (Student), K. Holvoet, D. Jancsics, S. Jayawardene, K. Jeffery, D. Kanaan, L. Kath, A. Kearney, S. Kelley, K. Kilmer, B. Kraemer, P. Lach, M. LaChance, J. Lange, E. Laraby, M. Lauer, Y. Lee, M. Lenoue, C. Liu, X. Liu, Y. Lommel (UAW), S. Lord-Pruitt, T. Love-Geffen, P. Lozada-Santone, H. Madanat, C. Manning, K. May-Newman, M. McCall, P. McClain (SUPA), C. Molina, C. Montero-Adams (sub: A. Cruter), M. Morillas (Student), G. Murguia (IV), M. Navarro, F. Nedjat-Haiem, C. O'Brien, C. Oh, J. Orosz, P. Papin (Emeritus), M. Pilgrim (temp. replacement: C. O'Neill), V. Ponomarenko, M. Poor, S. Pruitt-Lord, K. Quick, M. Rauh, M. Rawls (Student), T. Reh fuss, G. Rhodes (CFA), S. Ries-Cornou, A. Rodriguez (APC), J. Rodriguez (Student), J. Sabia, C. Sanchez (Teamsters Local 2010), S. Schellenberg, Y. Shin-Lee, S. Schuermann, M. Schulze, S. Seshagiri (Treasurer), S. Sharma (perm. replacement: G. Jacobs), N. Shultz (CAL/Parliamentarian) C. Sohl, L. Sparaco, C. Stoskopf, N. Tang, M. Testa, W. Tong, M. Tucker, L. Tuttle, I. Ullah, S. Valenzuela, A. Vargas, M. Vasquez, M. Vaughn, S. Venkataraman, P. Walls, L. Wang, C. Warren, W. Weston, G. Widmer (Alumni), B. Wills, A. Wong Nickerson, J. Xie, M. Yeh (temp. replacement: E. Kappenman), Y. Yuan, R. Zeller.~~

GUESTS: H. Alvin (CAL), B. Attiq, M. Goetz, K. Krick (ITS), G. Laurie (EA to Interim Provost), S. Hyman (AVP Enrollment Services), M. Saldana (Senate Analyst), W. Welsh (FHAC).

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Secretary Fuller announced we have a quorum and **Chair Butler Byrd** called the meeting to order at 2:07pm.

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

Vice Chair Adé read the **Land Acknowledgement**.

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...

Chair Butler Byrd read the **Senate Shared Governance Resolution** and asked members to read, review, and honor it.

1.3. Welcome (Butler-Byrd)

Chair Butler Byrd welcomed the first Senate meeting of the 2025 year, and made the following announcements:

- Acknowledged that February is Black History Month.
- Encouraged unity to overcome our vast challenges.
- Called for a moment of silence for those lost in the devastating California wildfires and the American Airlines crash in Washington, DC, and all those lost to violence in our world.
- Expressed concern for the safety of the undocumented students and LGBTQA students.
- Acknowledged Lunar New Year: Year of the Snake.
- Announced Dr. Rachel Record, School of Communications, as the Senate Excellence in Teaching Award (SETA) winner for AY 24-25. Her SETA lecture will be April 17, 2025.
- The March Senate meeting will take place on the Imperial Valley SDSU campus, and all are encouraged to attend.
- Reminded Senators about Zoom-bombing protocols.
- Announced Norah Shultz as permanent Parliamentarian for the remainder of the 24-25

academic year; acknowledged Dr. Karen Cadiero-Kaplan for her service as Parliamentarian.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Fuller)

Motion (**Welsh/Orosz**) to amend today's Senate agenda to include an Action Item from the Faculty Honors and Awards Committee (as 4.7 on the Action Item agenda) passed by unanimous consent.

Motion (**Fuller**) to approve today's agenda as amended approved by unanimous consent.

3. APPROVAL OF SENATE MEETING MINUTES (Fuller)

3.1. SENATE meeting Minutes for [12/3/2024](#)

Motion (**Fuller**) to approve the Senate Meeting Minutes for the December Senate Meeting held December 3, 2024 passed by unanimous consent.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1. Academic Policy and Planning (AP&P | Lach)

4.1.1. Establishment of the Department of Asian American Studies.....Page 04

4.1.1.1. URP Rationale: Establishment of the Department of Asian American Studies (Hentschel).....Page 17

Motion (**Lach**) to approve the establishment of the Department of Asian American Studies passed by unanimous consent.

4.1.2. AP&P Committee Membership - [Second Reading](#).....Page 19

Motion (**Lach**) to approve updates to the AP&P Committee Charter passed by unanimous consent.

4.2. Committee on Constitution & ByLaws (CBL | Baljon)

4.2.1. Changes to Senate Policy File: Bylaws-6 - [Second Reading](#).....Page 21

Motion (**Baljon**) to approve changes to Bylaws 6 of the SDSU University Senate Policy File passed by unanimous consent.

4.2.2. Changes to Senate Policy File: Constitution 5 - [Second Reading](#).....Page 22

Motion (**O'Brien/Csomay**) to amend the proposed policy update as follows failed (**24 Y | 28 N | 20 Abstain**):

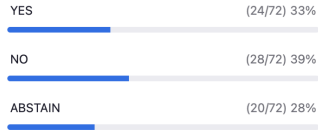
5.5. The Parliamentarian, who need not be a member of the Senate, shall be nominated annually by the SEC and then voted on by the Senate. They shall advise the presiding officer on parliamentary issues.

Motion to Amend Changes to Constitution 5.5

Poll ended | 1 question | 72 total responses

1. Shall the Senate approve the amendment of proposed changes to Constitution 5.5. to read, "The Parliamentarian, who need not be a member of the Senate, shall be nominated annually by the SEC and then voted on by the Senate. They shall advise the presiding officer on parliamentary issues.?" (Single choice)

72/72 (100%) answered



Motion (Papin/Barbone) to amend 5.1. to read "shall be an elected tenured faculty" and striking the "as defined in Constitution 4.1.1." failed (12 Y | 35 N | 9 Abstain).

Motion to Amend Constitution 5.1.

Poll ended | 1 question | 56 total responses

1. Shall the Senate amend the proposed changes to Constitution 5.1. to read, "shall be an elected tenured faculty" and striking "as defined in Constitution 4.1.1.?" (Single choice)

56/56 (100%) answered



Motion (Baljon) to approve changes to Bylaws 5 of the SDSU University Senate Policy File failed (14 Y | 21 N | 15 Abstain). CBL was encouraged to bring forward a new item for Constitution 5.0 and any related changes to Faculty Bylaws 7.0 that may be needed for clarity.

CONSTITUTION 5.0

Poll ended | 1 question | 50 total responses

1. Shall the senate approve the proposed changes to Constitution 5.0? (Single choice)

50/50 (100%) answered



4.3. Staff Affairs Committee (SAC | Walls)

4.3.1. Staff Emeritus Nominations.....Page 24

Motion (Walls) to approve staff emeritus status for the named nominees passed by unanimous consent.

4.4. Undergraduate Council (UGC | Brooks)

4.4.1. AY 2026-27 Academic Calendar.....Page 25

Motion (**Toy**) to approve the AY 2026-2027 Academic Calendar passed by unanimous consent, once there was confirmation that IT will choose dates for my.sdsu system offline service that do not conflict with AY Calendar, including grading periods.

4.5. Graduate Council (GC | Love-Geffen)

4.5.1. New and Deleted Programs.....Page 27

Motion (**Love-Geffen**) to add and delete named graduate programs passed by unanimous consent.

4.6. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (UCC | LaChance)

4.6.1. Deleted Courses.....Page 28

Motion (**LaChance**) to delete named courses passed by unanimous consent.

4.6.2. New and Deleted Programs.....Page 29

Motion (**LaChance**) to add and delete named undergraduate programs passed by unanimous consent.

4.7. Faculty Honors & Awards Committee (FHAC | Welsh) - LATE ADD

4.7.1. Faculty Emeritus Request.....Page 30

Motion (**Welsh**) to approve faculty emeritus status for the named nominees passed by unanimous consent.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

Motion (**Butler Byrd**) to accept all information items passed by unanimous consent.

5.1. Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC)(Jeffery)

5.1.1. Clarification Regarding “Early” Tenure.....Page 31

5.2. Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC)(Jeffery)

5.2.1. Referral 23/24_11: State of Student Course Evaluations.....Page 32

5.3. University Relations and Development (URAD)(Vargas)

5.3.1. Philanthropy Report.....Page 34

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

5.4.1. Referral 23/24_03: Update to Alcohol Products Co-Branding at SDSU..Page 42

5.5. Graduate Council (GC)(Love)

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5.6. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (UCC)(LaChance)

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5.7. Senate Vice Chair Report (Adé)

5.7.1. Referral Chart.....Page 59

5.8. Senate Treasurer Report (Seshagiri)

5.8.1. Senate Expenditures (AY2024-25).....Page 60

6. REPORTS

CONTENT OF REPORTS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE IN VIDEO FORM, POSTED AFTER THE SENATE MEETING THAT FOLLOWS THIS SEC MEETING (POSTED TO SENATE WEBSITE). IF THERE ARE SPECIFIC REQUESTS MADE OR ACTIONS TAKEN DURING REPORTS, THEY ARE NOTED BELOW. TO ACCESS VIDEO OF REPORTS:

https://senate.sdsu.edu/05_schedule-agendas-minutes/2024-25_sec-senate

6.1. SEC Report (Butler-Byrd)

6.1.1. Special SEC Meeting - December 12, 2024
6.1.2. Training Mediation/Reimbursement Survey

6.2. Associated Students President Report (AS)(Hernandez)
[TIME CERTAIN 2:45pm]

6.3. President’s Report (de la Torre)
[TIME CERTAIN 2:55pm]

6.3.1. Federal Research Funding Update (Madanat)

6.4. Budget Report (Wong-Nickerson/ Little)
[TIME CERTAIN 3:30pm]

6.5. Interim Provost Report (Tong)
[TIME CERTAIN 3:55pm]

6.5.1. Enrollment Update.....Page 61
6.5.2. AY 2024/25 Faculty Hiring

6.6. Lighting Survey (Mays)

[TIME CERTAIN 4:15pm]

7. ADJOURN

Motion (**Baljon/Fuller**) motion to extend the meeting by 10 minutes passed by unanimous consent.

Motion (**Fuller/Barbone**) motion to extend the meeting by an additional 10 minutes passed by unanimous consent.

Motion (**Barbone/Shultz**) to adjourn at **4:45 pm** on Tuesday, February 4, 2025, passed by unanimous consent.