



University Senate

SENATE AGENDA

October 7, 2025 | 2:00 to 4:30 pm

In-Person: AL-201

Attendance: Adé, Taharka (Vice Chair), Curtis, Christopher (Secretary), Seshagiri, Sridhar (Treasurer), Lach, Pamella (APP), Jeffery, Keven (CCE), Hernández, Roberto (DEI), Edgerton-Tarpley, Kathryn (FA), Cartmill, Briana (SA), Cornelis, Erlinde (Sust.), LaChance, Marie (UC), Baljon, Arlette (CBL), Csomay, Eniko (CSU AS), Brooks, Joanna (AVP), Love-Geffen, Tracy (Dean), Holstrom, Kareen (AS Pres.), Vasquez, Marissa (Senator at Large), Lockwood, Lanie (Senator at Large), Kanaan, David (Senator at Large), Shultz, Norah (Parliamentarian), Atterton, Peter, Graubart, Jonathan, Herman, Peter, Lauer, Matt, Sabia, Joseph, Schulze, Mathias, Sousa, Dan, Ullah, Isaac, Vaughn, Meredith, Beyene, Asfaw, Camacho, Joaquin, Dowell, Robert, May-Newman, Karen, Sharma, Satish, Cohen, Shira, Gill, Steven, Poor, Morgan, Wang, Lin, Felner, Jennifer, Lee, Young-Shin, Liu, Changqi, Altamirano, Magdalena, Nowicki, Rebecca, Abdel-Samad, Mounah, Asante, Godfried, Gerdes, Michael, Kras, Kimberly, Ponting, Sandra, Quick, Kerianne, Testa, Mark, Warren, Chris, Blomgren, Peter, Kath, Lisa, Liu, Xiaobai, O'Neill, Chris, Ponomarenko, Vadim, Sohl, Christal, Waters, Elizabeth, Xu, Xiaofeng, Zeller, Robert, Doshi, Ami, Kilmer, Jocelyn, Sparaco, Lisa, Greicar, Margo, Nguyen-Grozavu, France, Bodus, Stacy, Adami, Arash, Carter-Curtis, Nikole, Lang, Matt, Reh fuss, Todd, Wills, Brenda, Cruter, Anwar, de la Torre, Adela (President), Tong, William (Provost), Papin, Patrick, Pruitt-Lord, Sonja, Emch, Mark, Schuermann, Savanna, Molina, Christine, Biggs, Trent, Saia, Toni, Baker, Andrew, Stoskopf, Carleen, Castillo, Patricia, Lozada-Santone, Patricia, Yslas, Robert, Nedjat-Haiem, Frances

Substitutes: Devon Berkheiser (James Lange), Yusuf Ozturk (Satchi Venkataratam), Brian Hentschel (Robert Zeller), McDaniels-Davidson, Christine (Mark Reed), Chen, Xi (Ning Tang), Pruitt-Lord, Sonja (William Tong)

Absent w/o Substitutes: Schellenberg, Stephen (Chair), Jayawardene, Sureshi, Kearney, Amanda, Brandon, Regina, Duesbery, Luke, Kraemer, Bonnie, Navarro, Melissa, Ries-Cornou, Stephanie, Tuttle, Lori, Zuniga, Maria, Mastromartino, Brandon, Oh, Chuyun, Kelley, Scott, Dogan, Ugur, Davison, Joann, Yuan, Yingna, Butler Byrd, Nola, Weston, Wil, Mackenzie, Narelle, Gibson, Ian, Madanat, Hala, Frazee, James, McCall, Madhavi, Vargas, Adrienne, Wong-Nickerson, Agnes, Lommel, Yazmin, Becerra, Jonathan, Rhodes, Gloria, Rodriguez, Alejandro, Sanchez, Carlos, Widmer, Gerry, Manning, Chris (VP)

Guests: Alfaro, Cristina (AVP), Truong, Tyne (Assis. Dir.), Hansen, Noah (Senior Dir.), Brown, Ajani (CFA), Santos-Derieg, Brittany (COS)

Total Attendance: Quorum declared at 72 voting members (2:07). 87 in AL 201 (2:33).

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)

Moved and approved with unanimous consent.

3. APPROVAL OF SENATE MEETING MINUTES (Curtis)

3.1. SENATE meeting Minutes for [9/2/2025](#)

Moved and approved with unanimous consent.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1. Committee on Committees and Elections (CCE) (Jeffery)

4.1.1. Elections: Faculty Search Committee Members for Vice Provost.

Floor nominations were received by Chair Jeffery.

4.2. Senate Executive Committee (Adé)

4.2.1.	Annual Senate Agenda.....	Page 04
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Agenda was explained to body, approved by unanimous consent.

4.3. Staff Affairs Committee (SAC) (Cartmill)

4.3.1.	Charter Revision - Second Reading	Page 06
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Brief explanation of 2nd reading made, no discussion, approved by unanimous consent.

4.3.2.	Staff Emeritus.....	Page 12
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Brief explanation, no discussion, approved by unanimous consent.

4.4. International Affairs Council (IAC) (Alfaro) - Tabled from September Senate

4.4.1.	SDSU Safety and Security Policy for International Travel.....	Page 1
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Brief explanation by AVP Alfaro, no discussion, approved by unanimous consent.

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

4.5.1.	Referral 22/23_19 and Referral 23/24_15 Update Policy Language Related to Committees - First Reading	Page 15
4.5.2.	Enforcement of Policy That a Senator Serves on a Committee - First Reading	Page 23
4.5.3.	Adopt the following update to Bylaws 4.4 - First Reading	Page 24
4.5.4.	Clarify Quorum - First Reading	Page 26

Provided explanation of AIs. Brief discussion. (Completed by 2:27)

4.6. Committee on Committees and Elections (CCE) (Jeffery)

4.6.1.	Nominations for Committee Vacancies.....	Page 27
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Chair Jeffery asked for acceptance of nominations. Comment by Chair Baljon. Approved by unanimous consent.

4.7. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (UCC) (LaChance)

4.7.1.	New and Deleted Programs.....	Page 31
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Chair LaChance provided a brief explanation of the AI. No discussion. Approved by unanimous consent.

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 32
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Chair Schuermann ceded their time for Prof. Brown to speak. Move to amend resolution by Chair Edgerton-Tarpley to include omitted “whereas” with regards to protection of academic freedom. By 3:14 PM, amendment was voted upon with 70 votes: 51.4% against, 38.6% for, 10% abstain. Amendment fails. Move to amend by Senator Beyene to remove reference to Board of Trustees; 2nd by Senator Ponomarenko. Discussion in favor and in opposition. Motion passed with 50% in favor, 40.3% opposed, 9.7% abstain. Move to postpone till November made, 2nd, passed with 77.8% in favor, 20.6% opposed, and 1% abstain.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1. International Affairs Council (IAC) (Alfaro) - Revised Based on Senator Input

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6.2. Library Committee (Tully)

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6.3. Academic Policy and Planning (AP&P) (Lach)

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6.4. Undergraduate Council (UGC) (Brooks)

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

6.5.1. AY 2024-2025 Annual Report.....	Page 98
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6.6. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (UCC)(LaChance)

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6.7. Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC)(Edgerton-Tarpley)

6.7.1. Request for Feedback on Proposed Adjustment to SDSU Sabbatical Policy.....	Page 105
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6.8. Senate Vice Chair Report (Adé)

6.8.1. Referral Chart.....	Page 109
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6.9. Senate Treasurer Report (Seshagiri)

6.9.1. Senate Expenditures (AY2025-26).....	Page 110
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7. REPORTS

7.1. President's Report (de la Torre)

[TIME CERTAIN 2:30PM]

Presented results on SDSU enrollment. Then discussed at length the various federal investigations and how that has affected the UC and CSU systems. Emphasis placed on class action on part of federal government. Noted uncertainty with regards to OCR complaints and potential penalties. Questions were with regard to proactive protective measures.

7.2. Provost Report (Tong)

[TIME CERTAIN 3:15PM]

7.2.1. Enrollment Update.....Page 111

Began presentation around 3:15. Questions from the floor with regards to staffing issues and potential cost savings around Vice Provost position.

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

[TIME CERTAIN 3:30PM]

7.3.1. AS Resolution to Adopt the Academic Partnership Agreement at San Diego State University.....Page 120

7.3.2. Academic Partnership Agreement.....Page 121

AS Pres. Holstrom began presentation around 3:45. Questions and comments from Chair Baljon about APP interaction and overlap. Senator Ponomarenko and Chair Lach added further commentary and elaboration with regards to AS Resolution.

8. ADJOURN

Move to adjourn, 2nd, and passed with unanimous approval.