

In Attendance: Schellenberg, Stephen (Chair), Beyene, Asfaw, Adé, Taharka (Vice-Chair), Atterton, Peter, Edgerton-Tarpley, Kathryn (FA), Graubart, Jonathan, Herman, Peter, Jayawardene, Sureshi, Lauer, Matt, Sabia, Joseph, Schulze, Mathias, Sousa, Dan, Brandon, Regina, Kraemer, Bonnie, Navarro, Melissa, Saia, Toni, Vasquez, Marissa, Vaughn, Meredith, Camacho, Joaquin, May-Newman, Karen, Seshagiri, Sridhar (Treasurer), Sharma, Satish, Venkataraman, Satchi, Baker, Andrew, Cohen, Shira, Gill, Steven, LaChance, Marie Eve (UC), Poor, Morgan, Tang, Ning, Wang, Lin, Reed, Mark, Felner, Jennifer, Lee, Young-Shin, Nedjat-Haiem, Frances, Zuniga, Maria, Altamirano, Magdalena, Kanaan, David, Jeffery, Keven (CCE), Lach, Pamela (APP), Nowicki, Rebecca, Abdel-Samad, Mounah, Gerdes, Michael, Kras, Kimberly, Mastromartino, Brandon, Quick, Kerianne, Testa, Mark, Warren, Chris, Baljon, Arlette (CBL), Curtis, Christopher (Secretary), O'Neill, Chris, Ponomarenko, Vadim, Sohl, Christal, Waters, Elizabeth, Xu, Xiaofeng, Zeller, Robert, Lange, James, Doshi, Ami, Kilmer, Jocelyn, Lockwood, Lanie, Schuermann, Savanna (LAC), Greicar, Margo, Nguyen-Grozavu, France, Bodus, Stacy, Adami, Arash, Carter-Curtis, Nikole, Davison, Joann, Lang, Matt, Rehfuß, Todd, Wills, Brenda (SA), Cruter, Anwar, Molina, Christine, Csomay, Eniko, Brooks, Joanna (AVP), Love-Geffen, Tracy (Dean), Manning, Chris (AVP), Holstrom, Kareen (AS Pres), Papin, Patrick, Frazee, James (AVP), Pruitt-Lord, Sonja, Davison, Joann, Emch, Mark, Blomgren, Peter

Substitutes: Hentschel, Brian (URP) (Kath, Lisa), Lin, Hsien-Chang (Reed, Mark), Campbell, Kirk (Frazee, James (AVP)), Santos, Brittany (de la Torre, Adela (President))

Absent: Biggs, Trent, Hernandez, Roberto (DEI), Kearney, Amanda, O'Brien, Cheryl, Ullah, Isaac, Duesbery, Luke, Ries-Cornou, Stephanie, Liu, Changqi, Tuttle, Lori, Asante, Godfried, Oh, Chuyun, Ponting, Sandra, Kelley, Scott, Liu, Xiaobai, Dogan, Ugur, Lozada-Santone, Patricia, Sparaco, Lisa, Yslas, Robert, Yuan, Yingna, Butler Byrd, Nola, Weston, Wil, Mackenzie, Narelle, Gibson, Ian, Madanat, Hala, Vargas, Adrienne, Wong-Nickerson, Agnes, Castillo, Patricia, Lommel, Yazmin, Becerra, Jonathan, Rhodes, Gloria, Rodriguez, Alejandro, Sanchez, Carlos, Widmer, Gerry

Guests: Ajani Brown, Hyman, Stefan (AVP), Laurie, Grace, Naranjo, Gabriela

Presentations: Tong, William (Provost), 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)

Moved, seconded, and passed by unanimous consent.

3. APPROVAL OF SENATE MEETING MINUTES (Curtis)

3.1. SENATE meeting Minutes for [10/7/2025](#)

Moved, seconded, and passed by unanimous consent.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1. Staff Affairs Committee (SAC) (Cartmill)

4.1.1. Staff Emeritus.....Page 04

Moved, seconded, and passed by unanimous consent.

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

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

Moved, seconded, and passed by unanimous consent.

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

Explanation provided and brief discussion followed. Moved and passed by unanimous consent.

- 4.3.2. Enforcement of Policy That a Senator Serves on a Committee
- [Second Reading](#).....Page 14

Explanation provided and brief discussion followed. Amendment made to make a minor change in language at the end of motion. Passed with nearly unanimous consent. Amended motion then moved and passed by unanimous consent.

- 4.3.3. Adopt the following update to Bylaws 4.4 - [Second Reading](#)Page 15

Explanation provided and brief discussion followed. Moved and passed by unanimous consent.

- 4.3.4. Clarify Quorum - [Second Reading](#).....Page 17

Explanation provided and extensive discussion followed. Moved and passed by unanimous consent.

4.4. Graduate Council (GC) (Love)

- 4.4.1. Update to Catalog language regarding Leaves of Absence.....Page 18

Explanation provided and extensive discussion followed. Motion to amend. Passed through hand vote with 34 yes, 31 no, 2 abstain. Move to send back to committee. Discussion. Motion passed by “ayes”.

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 20

(Note: Whereas statements have been refined following discussions at 21 Oct SEC.)

Move to “vote down” original Resolution; seconded, and passed with unanimous consent. Move to skip reading and proceed to discussion; seconded and passed with unanimous consent. Move to amend the Resolution by adding a new bullet to the last “Resolved” clause; seconded, passed with unanimous consent. Move to remove 1st, 5th, and 6th bullets from the final “Resolved” statement in the Resolution.

Seconded, passed with unanimous consent. Motion to strike clause in bullet under Resolved related to PhD programs in Resolution. Seconded and passed with unanimous consent. (Motion to extend meeting by ten minutes, seconded, passed with unanimous consent.) Motion to remove individual endorsers if Resolution passes via Senate approval; seconded and passed with unanimous consent. Motion to call to question; seconded, failed with 34 yes, 19 no (needed $\frac{2}{3}$ support). Motion to strike further language with regards to PhD programs; seconded, passed with unanimous consent. Move to call to question; seconded, 56 yes, handful of no, passes. Move to accept the Resolution; seconded, 43 yes, 8 no, 4 abstention, passes.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

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

6.1.1. FAC Annual Agenda, AY 2025-26.....Page 28

6.2. Undergraduate Council (UGC) (Brooks)

6.2.1. October 2025 Meeting Report.....Page 30

6.3. Lecturer Affairs Committee (LAC) (Schuermann)

6.3.1. Lecturer Affairs Committee (LAC) 25/26 Annual Goals.....Page 31

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 32

6.4.2. UR&P Annual agenda, AY 2025-26.....Page 39

6.5. Graduate Council (GC) (Love)

6.5.1. Course Modifications.....Page 40

6.5.2. Graduate Student Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI).....Page 41

6.6. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (UCC) (LaChance)

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6.6.3. Program Modifications.....Page 45

6.6.4. New 500-Level Courses.....Page 46

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

6.7.1. DEI Annual Agenda, AY 2025-26.....Page 47

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

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6.9. Senate Vice Chair Report (Adé)

6.9.1.	Referral Chart.....	Page 49
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6.10. Senate Treasurer Report (Seshagiri)

6.10.1.	Senate Expenditures (AY2025-26).....	Page 50
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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)

Began at 2:41. Brief presentation regarding WASC. Several questions asked.
Ended at 2:46.

7.3. Provost Report (Tong)

[TIME CERTAIN 3:15PM]

7.3.1. Enrollment Update.....Page 51

Began at 3:25. AVP Brooks began speaking at 3:35. Questions and
comments followed. Ended at 3:57.

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

**7.5. Note: VC Ade presented awards to prior Chair Nola Butler Byrd and prior Treasurer
and Secretary Amanda Fuller. (3:59)**

8. ADJOURN