



**Approved Minutes
President's Advisory Council
May 28, 2025**

MEMBERS PRESENT *Chair:* Cynthia Olivo *Deans:* *Management:* Grant Linsell, Jennifer Merchant *Faculty:* Ziza Delgado, Danielle Fouquette, Bridget Kominek *Classified:* Yadira Aguillon *Students:* Samiy Castillo Bolivar *Resource Members:* Miranda Bates, Daniel Berumen, Evelyn Lindley, Connie Moreno Yamashiro, José Ramón Núñez

Members Absent: Jeanne Costello, Nichole Crockrom, Eli Hebert, Henry Hua, Janeth Manjarrez, Elizabeth Martinez, Bridget Salzameda, Amy Shrack

Guests: Azin Biatani, Ramon de Jesus, Tyler Deacy, Beth Kelley, Darnell Kemp, John Krok, Annika Shellenbarger

INFORMATION

1. **Approval of Minutes from May 14, 2025:** Approved as submitted.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Approved as submitted.

REPORTS

1. **President's Report (Cynthia Olivo):** President Olivo reported on a Faculty Senate question regarding providing more time to submit grades. She raised it to Chancellor's Staff and they agreed to provide a few more hours. The deadline for submission will be 3:00 pm rather than 12:00 pm. She brought up the Student Advocate Program and where that program will report to as well as the Guided Pathways global launch of Starfish. Instead of Advocates being assigned by units per student, it will be based on Hornet Pathways (Meta Major). Middle school and high school students in dual enrollment will also get help from the Advocates program. Dr. Olivo stated that last night the Board of Trustees discussed the new mission statement. They responded to the academic language in the draft, questioned the frequency of changes made to the FC mission statement, and objected to the word "liberatory". It will go to the next board meeting as an action item. The Interim Dean of Ethnic Studies position was approved by the board, and a posthumous degree was conferred on student Caleb Strouss who recently passed away.

2. President's Staff Reports

- **Miranda Bates** asked for more commencement volunteers. She also stated that managers have been notified about the classified luncheon and other activities happening that week.

- **Daniel Berumen** said a team is working on the application for the Seal of Excelencia. They will work on it this summer and visit another community college in the fall. The seal shows the college is a serving institution for Latinx students. Program Review is finishing up the new software and will start implementing it this fall.
- **Jose Ramon Nunez** commented that ASL started in Fall 2024. Two divisions requested to house the program. The plan was to meet with both divisions this spring, but he could not do this until very recently. He decided to house it in the Humanities Division after meeting with adjunct instructors in ASL and others. Dr. Olivo said Miranda Bates will have webpages for evening college and weekend college to help with summer enrollment. JR is the chair for the Interim Dean of Ethnic Studies.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. **Sustainability Committee End-of-Year Report (Tyler Deacy, Ramon de Jesus, Information):** Tyler Deacy and Ramon de Jesus presented their committee activities for the year as well as a written 2024-2025 Annual Report. Tyler spoke about the successful completion of the solar panel project that went live last week. It should save the college \$6 million over the next 20 years. There were two channel cleanups, sponsored by the county and OC Stormwater, and a sign recognizing Fullerton College was installed near the channel. Two environmental fairs were held – a Fall Resource Fair and an Earth Week Fair – and an Environmental Justice Career Fellowship was started this year. They also held an Earth Day Symposium and finished the STARS 2025 update. Roman added that Tyler’s position is ending June 30 and he thanked him for his 4 years of work at FC.
2. **2024-2025 Diversity Advisory Committee Recommendations (Evelyn Lindley, Connie Moreno Yamashiro, Action):** Evelyn Lindley and Connie Moreno Yamashiro brought back to PAC the three recommendations handed out last meeting.
 - The Accessibility recommendation includes entry doors, braille labeling, tactile pathways, and signage at all accessible parking spaces, bathroom stalls, and other items. It also includes professional development, hosting ADA events and hiring a management level ADA coordinator.
 - Culturally Relevant Art Implementation includes a formal application process, grading rubric and voting on art.
 - Mental Health recommendation includes adding three full-time mental health therapists and a full-time manager as well as providing each affinity program with an imbedded therapist.

A motion to approve all three recommendations was made. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

3. **Resolution from the Campus Technology Committee (Darnell Kemp, Azin Biatani, Action):** Darnell Kemp said this committee was revived in November 2024. They asked Henry Hua to review the purchase of hotspots for students. The committee discussed the topic with faculty and came up with a resolution suggesting the campus continue to provide hotspots that can be checked out for online access. Faculty Senate members said they can’t vote on this today because they did not get a chance to talk about it, and that this item is on the first Faculty Senate meeting in the fall. Dr. Olivo said it’s late for a resolution, but this could be a recommendation. If it does not get voted on today, there won’t be hotspots for fall 2025. She

asked for a motion to vote on this as a recommendation. Danielle Fouquette replied that faculty can't vote on a recommendation today, either.

A vote was taken on the motion. It passed with AS, Classified and Management voting yes and Faculty Senate members abstaining. Dr. Olivo remarked that this is an operational decision and said the recommendation was approved.

MEMBER UPDATES

- **Faculty Senate: Bridget Kominek** said at their May 15 meeting, Faculty Senate voted to adopt the AS resolution on accessibility, endorsed a posthumous degree for Caleb Strouss, and conferred emeritus status to retiring faculty.
- **Classified Senate: Annika Shellenbarger** reported that at their May 15 meeting Cynthia Guardado presented a professional learning survey which will be distributed soon. She also announced that the Race Conscious Certificate will be available in the fall for classified employees and classified appreciation activities will be going on next week including a luncheon on June 3, Casino and Bingo on June 4, and Sundaes & Stress Relief on June 5. The first meeting in the fall will be September 4.
- **CSEA: Yadira Aguillon** said the CSEA negotiating team is working on finishing up the collective bargaining agreement and mentioned that the chapter's labor rep, Danny McCarty, has been promoted and will be leaving.
- **AS: Samiy Castillo Bolivar** said the AS banquet was very nice and they were able to give out awards and recognitions. He went to a MOCAN conference and is starting in his role of student trustee this summer.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: September 10, 2025