

*Educational Planning Oversight Committee/Accreditation Steering Committee oversees and directs the general work of the councils, monitors institutional progress toward achieving college goals, and provides recommendations to the college president. It also serves as the Accreditation Steering Committee.*

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<b><u>Voting Membership</u></b>	<b><u>Representing</u></b>	<b><u>Term Dates</u></b>	<b><u>Attended</u></b>
Wendy McKeen	EPOC Faculty Co-Chair	6/2027	x
Kristi Woods	EPOC Administrative Co-Chair		x
Natalie Vázquez	EPOC Classified Professional Co-Chair		x
Myisha Jackson	ASRCC President		
Jacqueline Lesch	Faculty Co-Chair - Accreditation		x
Monique Greene	Faculty Co-Chair – Student Equity	6/2026	x
Courtney Carter	Faculty Chair – Guided Pathways	6/2026	x
Denise Kruiuzenga-Muro	Faculty Chair- Assessment	6/2026	x
Melissa Harman	Faculty Co-Chair – S.A.S.	6/2026	x
Thomas Cruz-Soto	Administrative Co-Chair– S.A.S.		x
Lorena Franco	Classified Professional Co-Chair – S.A.S.		x
LaShonda Carter	Faculty Co-Chair – T.L.	6/2026	x
Lynn Wright	Administrative Co-Chair – T.L.		
Mia Timme	Classified Professional Co-Chair – T.L.		x
Patrick Scullin	Faculty Co-Chair – R.D.A.S.	6/2027	x
Elia Blount	Administrative Co-Chair R.D.A.S.		
Jennifer Bielman	Classified Professional Co-Chair – R.D.A.S.		x
Virginia White	Faculty Co-Chair – G.E.M.Q.	6/2026	x
Kristi Woods	Administrative Co-Chair – G.E.M.Q.		x
Natalie Vazquez (temp)	Classified Professional Co-Chair – G.E.M.Q.		x
Araceli Calderon	Ex Officio – CTA Designee		
Jo Scott-Coe	Ex Officio – Academic Senate President		
Eric Bishop	Ex Officio – College President		x
Guest: John Adkins, Lorena Newson			X

- I. Call to order 3:06pm
- II. Approval of Agenda - M/S/C D. Kruiuzenga-Muro/M. Timme
- III. Approval of the [March 9 2026 EPOC Minutes.docx](#) V. White/L. Carter

IV. EPOC Tri-chair updates

- Held a successful SP launch party, data walk with highlighting objectives, an overview of SP, communications plan. Good collegiality.
- Continue to align with the strategic planning councils.
- Discussion on holding divisional meetings sooner to elect leadership council chairs.
- Keep in mind that TA's for summer and fall are due in May.
- Classified co-chairs met to review the strategic plan goals and planner assignments. They have agreed to meet once a month to discuss what happens in EPOC and LC's. They discussed holding a classified council member retreat to strengthen understanding of the new strategic plan and review their roles and responsibilities as council members.

V. College President's Announcements

- College has been invited to be a Pan-African virtual college, study abroad concept.
- Accessibility requirements affect everyone. Working on a strategy to help elevate some concern and pressure.
- Looking at potential early alert opportunities. Ongoing discussion on early alert.
- The prioritization letter is not quite ready will have that soon. Will discuss with VP Blount.

VI. Ongoing Business / Discussion

a. [Accreditation Updates](#)

- Senate has the first read on Monday. Must be 10 days in advance. Had to make adjustments because of the accessibility requirements. Worked on it through copilot.
- Institutional Effectiveness has lots of good information.
- Only require 100 pages.
- Asking for comments and feedback on all four standards.
- Need it moved forward from senate by May 1<sup>st</sup>
- What is EPOC's role for moving forward the report.

b. Shared Governance Handbook Workgroup

1) [Draft revised bylaws](#)

- First read of the bylaws, comments, feedback. Bring back to the last EPOC meeting and get them finalized.
- EPOC is called a committee, and all others are councils. Changed the name to the EPOC council.
- GP committee changed to the Student Success Committee.
- Added when the election cycles are, number of faculty and number of reps.
- EPOC to be more involved and electing EPOC and LC chairs.

- Ongoing discussion regarding how classified co-chair gets voted in. Should the whole committee vote or separate voting for faculty and classified.
  - Discussion if this document should be called just bylaws, not constitution.
  - Strategic vs. operational why not just a list.
  - Ongoing Counseling and Library split out and have their own votes.
- c. [Strategic Plan](#) Implementation
- In progress
- d. [Institutional Service Survey](#) (Discussion)
- l) Number of hours and mapping to institutional service surveys
- As a reminder if you chair a committee, please submit the survey. Hours submitted have been very different. We need an idea of what your council is thinking. As elections are being held it would be good to give people an idea.
  - 5 hours a week is required for all full-time faculty for institutional service.
  - Ongoing discussion regarding institutional service.
- e. [New Program Review Process Overview](#)
- Met with academic dean's conversations around the new changes, four prompts for faculty due end of spring. Conversation between deans and departments on how to build the plan.
  - Resource requests are separated out now, working on it in RDAS. The goal is to address resource requests more quickly.
- f. Council/Committee Structure Discussion
- l) RDAS
- Physical, financial, HR and Technology committees will remain and revamping.
  - The marketing resource committee will be added.
  - Safety committee moves under RDAS.
  - Grant subcommittee remove from structure.
  - CLAS remove.
  - FD subcommittee remove.
  - DLC shared with TLLC.
  - DE subcommittee on its own remove from RDAS.
  - Workgroups can meet once a semester.
  - Take the questions of removal committees to the VP.
  - Parking committee reports to physical resources.
  - Discussion on adding accessibility to a committee.

VII. New Business / Discussion

- a. President's Priorities in Faculty Prioritization
  - List of faculty priorities rescinded one of the positions in general counseling.
  - When chancellor provides a number of faculty, one is growth and 75 25 goals.
  - We may not get new faculty each year. Have to look through a lens. Does this position provide an opportunity to grow? How does it address 75-25 obligations? FT is supposed to reduce PT.
  - Is there office space for the new faculty? Contractual obligation, what is the reassigned time, how much does the department have, what is your retention rate for faculty as they come through.
  - Is there an opportunity to create a new program? Look at where is the handshake agreement to automatically replace faculty?
  - Sometimes the faculty ranking could be a popularity contest. Glad that the President is taking a second lens. Look at student outcomes.
  - Ongoing discussion
- b. Standard of Care Implementation - tabled
- c. [Professional Learning Needs Assessment](#) (Information)
  - Natalie presented on the comprehensive professional learning needs assessment required by the changes in Title 5 FLEX regulations. The comprehensive assessment is on a three-year cycle with annual updates. The results will establish a baseline of the effectiveness of the current professional development offerings and identify employee learning needs. The assessment will also be shared as an information item at the May 4<sup>th</sup> Academic Senate meeting.
- d. [RCC AI Position Statement](#) (Information)
  - Statement went to Senate on Monday, April 6, 2026

(No time due to time constraints)

#### VIII. ASRCC Updates

#### IX. Leadership Council/Committee Reports

- a. GEMQ
- b. [RDAS](#)
- c. SAS
- d. TL
- e. Assessment
- f. Program Review
- g. [Student Equity](#)

- X. Professional Learning Space
  - a. [Classified Leadership and Success](#)
  - b. Faculty Development
  - c. Share Out of Recent Professional Learning Experiences

XI. Open Forum

XII. Adjournment 5:01pm

Minutes submitted by Melinda Miles