

Minutes

Meeting Details

- **Team Name:** Student Equity Committee
- **Date:** May 2nd, 2025
- **Time:** 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
- **Location:** Bradshaw Building - Second Floor, Hall of Fame
- **Guests:** Adela Gonzales (ASRCC Chief Justice) and Gabriel Graves (ASRCC Senate Pro Tempore).

Call to Order

- **Opening:** The meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM by Lorena Newson.

Information Items

- SEC has 49 members, 3 co-chairs (non-voting), 26 total votes (23 voted yes, 3 voted no). Bylaws passed/approved as of May 1st, 2025.

Discussion Items

- **Approval of meeting minutes from 3/21/2025 (5 Minutes):** Delia moved to approve minutes, Dean Adkins seconds. Discussion: A question about compensation for student representatives and whether or not it will impact their Financial aid was asked by ASRCC Chief Justice Adela Gonzales. Dean of Enrollment Management Kyla Teufel advised that it varies from student to student in terms of financial aid impact; that it's unusual students would meet their max for Financial aid by receiving compensation. No other discussion. A call to vote was made by Lorena Newson. All in favor, none opposed. 2 members abstained.

- **Student Equity and Achievement Program Budget Overview (40 minutes)**

- Presentation provided by VPBS Kristine Di Memmo and Elia Blount.
- An overview of the SEA funding structure was provided along with information concerning compliance requirements.
- An emphasis on alignment of expenditures with grant objectives was given during the presentation.
- An annual budget report will be presented to SEC at a later date.

- **Student Equity Planning & Development Data Review and Discussion (40 minutes)**

- Tutoring and Academic Support Services– Sharon Walker presented on the Promise Program and Academic Support.
- Sharon also shared FLO–Ops, a student–friendly app where they can book appointments, receive reminders about promise program information and/or workshops, as well as things to do. Currently piloting app with the Promise Program students.
- Key themes:
 - Need to increase student engagement and awareness.
 - Importance of accessible, welcoming support environments.
 - Consideration of improved communication and outreach strategies.

- **Round Robins (Upcoming or previous student equity-related events and activities) (10 minutes)**

- Pride Month programming was shared by Al Weyant–Forbes
- Immigration Rights event on May 22nd during college hour in Quad 144 was shared by Kyla Teufel, IMMIGRATION DEPORTATION AND HOW TO RESIST for undocumented students. Activists and attorneys will be present.
- Mental Health Month activities were shared by Sharon Walker.

- Virtual Equity training provided by the State of California was shared by Kristi Woods.
- An upcoming teaching and learning equity minded institute was shared by Lorena Newson.
- Natalie Vazquez shared that EMLI at RCC has accepted 19 new members for the 25/26 AY.
- Courtney- SST went through an equity retreat where individuals are writing personal equity statements and then counseling also created personal equity statements that came from the training.
- **Ongoing Business for Workgroups**
 - Faculty Spotlight nomination process under development.
 - Discretionary fund request process in progress.

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Next Meeting

- **Date and Time:** Scheduled for May 16th, 2025, at 10:00 AM, Bradshaw Building – Second Floor (Hall of Fame).

Adjournment

- **Closing:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:53 AM by Lorena Newson.

Recorded by:

- Monique Greene, Associate Professor, Counseling & SEC Co-Chair

Prepared by:

- Maurice Bowers, Administrative Specialist – College Equity, Inclusion, and Engagement & SEC Co-Chair

Date:

- May 7th, 2025