



Professional Learning Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 26, 2026

1:30 pm – 3:00 pm | [Join the Zoom meeting](#)

Committee Members

Adjunct Faculty	Associated Students	Classified	Full-Time Faculty	Management	Meeting Assistant	Supervisor/Confidential
Rami Oweina (A)	Patty Flores (A)	Angie Alvarez	Priscilla Englert	Salima Allahbachayo	Ty Thomas	Cinthya Arrieta (A)
Victor Garcia (A)	Harper Xie	Cerise Guerrero	Patrick Schmiedt	Eric Calderon	Vacant	Nadine Henley (A)
Raylene Sosa (A)	Vacant	Briceyda Torres, Tri-Chair	Anna Villeneuve, Tri-Chair	Ty Thomas, Tri-Chair	Vacant	Jorge Razo (A)

Minutes

1. Approved the meeting minutes from February Committee Meeting with three minor revisions and one abstention.
2. Budget Update.
 - a. Eligible travel requests from January through May were reviewed and approved. The total annual Professional Budget was shared. Most approved travel requests for the year received full funding though some required supplemental funding from alternate sources (e.g., AB1705 funds, division support, VP office support).
 - b. The committee discussed how travel and conference costs continue to rise and debated whether to adjust the \$850 maximum allocation per year. We will continue to monitor usage and reassess in the 2026-2027 year.
3. Distinguished Faculty
 - a. Committee completed Distinguished Faculty voting electronically due timing considerations. Sarah Bosler was selected as the 2026 Distinguished Faculty recipient.
 - b. Committee discussed advantages and disadvantages of electronic voting versus in-person deliberation. Members generally expressed comfort with electronic voting. Discussion focused on increasing participation and nomination diversity in future years. One suggestion is to work with deans to actively promote nominations to encourage nominations from all instructional divisions.

4. Professional Learning Updates

a. Equity Minded Teaching Institute:

1. The next cohort was discussed. Changes include extending the program over a full academic year and having monthly meetings rather than compressed sessions.
2. The committee discussed whether to continue the one-on-one coaching support. The committee reviewed a request to allocate \$10,000 from Professional Learning funds toward the next Equity Minded Teaching Institute which would support consultant facilitation and one-on-one faculty coaching.
3. If surplus funds from the current year can be rolled forward, Professional Learning leadership may move forward with the proposal. Otherwise, the committee will revisit the funding request after reviewing the annual budget plan.
4. Participants from the inaugural cohort praised the coaching component as highly valuable.
5. Members discussed how to improve faculty recruitment, prioritizing recently tenured faculty and adjunct participation. The committee explored offering recognition badges upon completion.

b. Classified Leadership Academy

1. Participants reported positive experiences and appreciated opportunities to network and discuss leadership development. Discussion identified the need for continued leadership pathways and advancement opportunities for classified professionals. Committee was informed of upcoming mock interview sessions and leadership development workshops for academy participants.

5. Updates and Events Across Campus

- a. Harper provided an update about the student ASCC media day. Current ASCC members are graduating, so implementation will transition to next year's student leaders. Plans include, recording student and alumni testimonials, creating video content for future Flex Day programs, and collaborating with ASCC, Student Services, and Clarion student media.
- b. Members extended a welcome to Connor Glenn, new Administrative Secretary II supporting the Professional Learning Committee.
- c. Committee discussed future professional learning opportunities for managers and supervisors, Confidential employees, and student employees.
- d. Anna thanked graduating student representatives for their contributions and service during the academic year.

Meeting adjourned at 3:16 p.m