

Academic Senates' Reports to the LRCCD Board of Trustees February 2025

District Academic Senate (DAS) President, Paula Cardwell, Reports:

- Our Moratorium Task Force is finishing up our draft NAGPRA policy proposal and will have it to the District Academic Senate very soon. Once on our agenda, this document will be public and we will share the draft with our college and tribal communities for input and feedback. I am extremely proud of the incredible and arduous work this task force has devoted to the creation of this policy proposal. We look forward to its thorough vetting and our forthcoming formal recommendation to the Board of Trustees.
- We are in the process of vetting two regulation change proposals with our local senates regarding the removal of math, reading, and writing competency committees as required under the old Title 5, as well as a proposal to allow continuing students to use any general education pattern to satisfy GE requirements for our local degrees.
- The District Academic Senate is representing faculty on the newly formed Public Safety Advisory Task Force. Concerted efforts are being made to better inform faculty and the campus communities to be best prepared should U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents visit our campuses. We appreciate and respect the efforts of our Chief Strategy and Communications Officer Gabe Ross and Los Rios Policy Chief Harvey Woo.

American River College Senate President, Brian Knirk, Reports:

- ARC Senate is working to approve a number of regulation revisions to move forward to DAS
- ARC Senate is supporting its numerous faculty working on nearly 30 hiring committees. For context that's over 100 faculty serving on the hiring committees this semester. We are pleased to have this opportunity to do this important work.



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Folsom Lake College Senate President, Eric Wada, Reports:

- The FLC Academic Senate passed a resolution by acclamation, enthusiastically supporting bringing an Umoja program to FLC. FLC is recognized as a Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI), Asian American, Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander (AANHPI) serving institution, and a grantee of Native American Student Support and Success Program (NASSSP), while we currently have college-based programs such as Peer Engagement for Achievement, Connection, Culture, and Engagement (PEAC²E) and Black African Student Edu-culture (BASE), the FLC Academic Senate recognizes the importance of building statewide and national connections with established learning communities like Umoja.
- The FLC Academic Senate is also beginning our nominations process for the next group of Senators and Officers.

Sacramento City College Senate President, Amy Strimling, Reports:

• SCC is excited to welcome seven new adjunct faculty members to our Academic Senate this semester. Fair and appropriate compensation for our adjunct faculty on Senate has led to this increase and we are happy to have them engaging in participatory governance.