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## **Academic Senates' Reports to the LRCCD Board of Trustees April 2025**

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

- The District Academic Senate is forwarding the recommendation that R-3412 and R-7241 be revised to strike out language related to Writing, Reading, and Mathematics Competency Committees for consistency with current Title 5 regulations.
- We also recommend additional changes to R-7241 that will allow students earning local AA/AS degrees to use any GE pattern to meet local degree requirements.
- We have received initial feedback from one of our tribal partners regarding our draft NAGPRA policy and we look forward to receiving additional feedback from other partners.
- We reviewed and suggested modifications - which were accepted - to the Institutional Effectiveness Partnership Initiative plan which is integral to the IEPI grant process relating to the district's proposal to bring back IBA.
- We have proposed a Faculty Hiring Manual Revision task force and are collaborating with Vice Chancellor Carrie Bray in this process.
- Several DAS members will be heading to Irvine, California for spring plenary later this month. This is the largest number of in-person attendees we've had since COVID!

### **American River College Senate President, Brian Knirk, Reports that ARC:**

- Has approved 2 critical hire coordinator positions for the Public Safety Training Center with the understanding that this valuable program supports not just American River College, but all of Los Rios, and a failure to hire additional coordinators would likely jeopardize the center's accreditation status.
- Is working with administration to review coordinator job descriptions for Fall
- Is discussion ways in which to better support our most vulnerable populations

### **Cosumnes River College Senate President, Jacob Velasquez, Reports:**



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**Folsom Lake College Senate President, Eric Wada, Reports:**

- We have convened an artificial intelligence taskforce led by Dr. Suha Al Juboori. This taskforce will make recommendations on AI use policies in classes. These policies will be grounded in ethical use of AI and equitable teaching, learning, and student success.

**Sacramento City College Senate President, Amy Strimling, Reports:**

- We are looking forward to supporting our ZTC/OER efforts more as we bring on a new faculty coordinator in this role.
- Similarly, we are excited to have an AI Coordinator next year to help us navigate AI on our campus and with our students.
- Our faculty look forward to engaging in the development of our new CITY Scholars program to support our most disproportionately impacted students.