

April 11, 2024
AC 229 Kentfield Campus

Present: Jonathan Eldridge, Nekoda Harris, Mia Robertshaw, Maria Coulson (Academic Senate rep), David King (Academic Senate rep), Sally Wong (Classified Senate rep), Lauren Amundson (Classified Senate rep), Ryan Barbosa (ASCOM rep), Gavi Bar-or (ASCOM rep), Gary Gonser (ESCOM student rep), and Mici Benet

Absent: Rebecca Yim (Vice President), Caitlin Rolston (Secretary)

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m.

1. **Agenda** - The agenda was approved without changes.
2. **Minutes** – The meeting minutes from March 7, 2024 were unanimously approved.

3. **President’s Report**

Centennial/Alumni Engagement Update

President Eldridge introduced Nicole Cruz, Director of Marketing and Communications, to share a [presentation](#) on Centennial planning that included the Centennial Planning Committee (CPC) core members, the areas of focus based on each members’ expertise, and CPC theme development, and the Centennial slogan. This slogan was selected based on the campus community, alumni, and donor votes: “Honoring Our Past, Defining Our Future.”

The ongoing input from students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members is key to informing the events and educational opportunities that will showcase College of Marin throughout the Centennial beginning in the Fall of 2025. Stories about what College of Marin means to each person will help develop the rich opportunities for strengthening connections from past, present, and future generations. These connections may also help to leverage outside local partnerships as the community becomes more engaged with the College.

There will be many opportunities over the next 18 months to create initiatives that tie in activities and programs with Centennial themes. Ryan Barbosa, ASCOM President, requested advance notice and communications to ASCOM about centennial planning to increase student participation.

Bolinas Field Station Update

Eresa Puch, Assistant Vice President of Administrative Services, shared recent images of construction progress and described funding sources, and potential additional costs. Project completion is expected by December 2024 with an opening planned in Spring of

2025. The specific use of the space is under review by Nicole McIntyre, MESA Program Director, and Joe Mueller, Life and Earth Sciences Instructor.

4. Board Policies and Administrative Procedures

To the extent that a BP/AP is in a constituent group's purview, College Council unanimously recommended that the below procedures forward to the Board of Trustees as information items.

- *AP 2610 Presentation of Initial Collective Bargaining Proposals*
- *AP 3516 Registered Sex Offender Information*
- *AP 4103 Work Experience*

5. Board of Trustees

The Council reviewed the draft Board of Trustees' regular meeting agenda for April 16, 2024. Highlighted agenda items included the Capital Projects Update, a Housing Update and Next Steps, the Centennial Planning Update, and a Measure B 2022-2023 Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) Annual Report.

6. Constituent Reports

ASCOM

Student Senate President Ryan Barbosa reported attending the annual state-wide general assembly, in Santa Clara. There, students voted on resolutions and networked with student across the 116 California community colleges. Student Trustee Saidy Reyes' resolution requiring community fridges on all campuses was put to a vote but the resolution failed by a narrow margin.

Berkeley City College will be visiting College of Marin next week to see how ASCOM governs. President Eldridge commended ASCOM for hosting Berkeley City College. It is a great opportunity for students to learn from each other and students may want to consider starting a Bay Area student government collective.

Student government elections take place from April 15 through April 18. Also, ASCOM has also planned several end-of-semester events including Healthy Planet, Healthy Mind on May 6, and a supportive event for finals week beginning May 16.

Academic Senate

Academic Senate (AS) Vice President David King reported that elections take place at the end of April. Procedures *Academic Renewal* and *Program Revitalization* are under review in conjunction with the Enrollment department.

Next week AS leadership will attend the state-wide plenary for professional development opportunities, vote on resolutions, and discuss the role of artificial

intelligence (AI) in education.

Classified Senate

Sally Wong, Classified Senate President, described professional learning opportunities with wellness themes. She informed the Council that staff appreciated President Eldridge meeting with the Classified Senate (CS) to answer their questions. Other updates included the April 24 Spring Fling Ice Cream Social event (for all students, faculty and staff), the Employee Appreciation Luncheon on May 22, and the CS Book Club reading of *Braiding Sweetgrass*, by Robin Wall Kimmerer.

The Classified Senate is also still seeking funds to bring the [Caring Campus](#) to College of Marin in Fall of 2024.

ESCOM

Gary Gonser, ESCOM President, provided the Council with a report updating members on a new, revitalized Bridge Club, ESCOM outreach efforts, upcoming events, and work in progress that may be found [here](#). The Book Passage author series continues to be a success with the next presentation of [Deep as the Sky, Red as the Sea, by Rita Chang-Eppig, on April 19.](#)

7. Meeting Wrap Up

President Eldridge announced that the Environmental and Sustainability Action Club will present to the Council at the next meeting. Over the coming weeks, there will be eight Assistant Superintendent/Vice President candidate forums. He asked that those who can attend or view the forums do so and provide their feedback on candidates. In Fall of 2024, the position will be filled by one of the candidates.

8. Meeting Schedule:

The next regular meeting is on May 16, in room AC 229.

9. Adjourn Meeting – The meeting adjourned at 3:48 p.m.