District Planning and Advisory Council
SCOPE AND FUNCTION
2019-2020

District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC)

The District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC) is the advisory body primarily responsible for making recommendations to the Superintendent/President on matters that are not otherwise the primary responsibility of the Academic Senate (BP 2511, Classified Staff (BP 2512), Associated Students (BP 2513) or the Management Association (BP 2514). Issues include, but are not limited to, District budget planning, facilities planning, human resources planning, and technology planning. Discussion of these issues by the Council will not supplant the collective bargaining process.

Reference: Board Policy 2515

DPAC Members:

- Superintendent/President (or designee)
- Academic Senate President (or designee)
- Faculty Association President (or designee)
- CSEA President (or designee)
- Management Association President (or designee)
- Associated Students President (or designee)

Each Constituency Group President (or designee) shall be allowed one additional seat at DPAC meetings for a total of 12 members.

DPAC Chair and Vice-Chair:

The Superintendent/President is a de facto member of DPAC and shall serve as Chair of DPAC. The Superintendent/President may appoint a designee in June to serve as chair for a one-year term the following fiscal year. If a designee is appointed, the Superintendent/President, as a de facto member, is welcome to attend DPAC meetings. DPAC may extend a special invitation to the Superintendent/President to participate in discussion of a specific topic.

The Vice-Chair shall be elected by a majority vote of DPAC in June to serve a one-year term for the following fiscal year.

Note: The Vice Chair shall not come from the same constituency group as the Chair of DPAC. If the Superintendent/President selects a faculty person for Chair then the Vice Chair must come from a constituency group other than faculty.

Responsibilities of the DPAC Chair and Vice-Chair

- The Chair shall preside at meetings of DPAC
- The Vice-Chair shall preside at meetings of DPAC in the absence of the Chair
- The Chair and Vice-Chair shall review agendas and minutes of DPAC meetings prior to distribution
- The Chair and Vice-Chair shall assure that DPAC’s recommendations are conveyed to the Superintendent/President
Privileges and Obligations of Council Members

- Each member is expected to represent their group in discussions and deliberations
- Each member of the Council will attend meetings
- Each constituency president will participate in agenda setting

DPAC Coordinator

The DPAC Coordinator shall be responsible for the following:

- Prepare, post/distribute agendas for DPAC meetings in compliance with the Brown Act (*72 hours in advance of a regular meeting*)
- Prepare, post/distribute minutes of DPAC meetings
- Keep a full, accurate and indexed record of DPAC proceedings
- Maintain all DPAC records and files
- Prepare DPAC Annual Report

Meetings

Meetings of the District Planning and Advisory Council are subject to the provisions of the Brown Act. The District Planning and Advisory Council meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month.

Quorum/Substitutes

A quorum will consist of a simple majority of appointed DPAC members (7 of 12 members) or designee. DPAC members are expected to make every effort to attend all DPAC meetings, but if DPAC members are unable to attend a meeting and send a substitute to attend in their place, the Chair, Vice-Chair and Coordinator shall be notified of any substitutions prior to the meeting.

Two votes per each constituency group or one vote per sub-constituency group.

- Academic Senate: 1 vote
- Faculty Association: 1 vote
- CSEA: 2 votes
- Management Association: 1 vote
- Administration: 1 vote
- Associated Students: 2 votes

Note: There are 8 votes on DPAC

Orientation for DPAC Members

An annual orientation session will be held for members of DPAC.

DPAC Recommendations to the Superintendent/President

It is the charge of DPAC to make recommendations related to planning to the Superintendent/President. It is the responsibility of the Chair and Vice-Chair to convey DPAC’s recommendations to the Superintendent/President. The Superintendent/President will respond to DPAC recommendations either in person, in writing or through a report from the Chair at a subsequent DPAC meeting. The Superintendent/President’s responses will be reflected in the DPAC minutes.

Institutional Planning

The institutional planning process—both long-term and annual—is coordinated by DPAC. Every five years, DPAC facilitates the review of the College’s Vision, Mission, and Goals statements, conducts an evaluation of all aspects of the institutional planning process, and identifies long-term strategic initiatives to inform the identification of annual action plans that support the strategic initiatives and objectives. DPAC shall forward the results of these processes to the Superintendent/President as a recommendation for adoption.
Annual Strategic Planning Report

Development of the Annual Strategic Planning Report is also the responsibility of DPAC and it includes the development of responses to the previous year’s action plans including the status of completion for each plan.

Each academic year the Santa Monica College District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC) identifies annual action plans to be included in the Annual Strategic Planning Report. In preparation for formulating annual action plans, DPAC reviews a number of major planning documents, including, but not limited to:

- Academic Senate Objectives
- Accreditation Reports
- Board of Trustees Goals and Priorities
- Capital Outlay Programs Update
- CCC Chancellor’s Office Vision for Success
- Institutional Effectiveness Committee Observations
- Presentation/Reports/Actions at Board of Trustees Meetings Related to Board Goals and Priorities, Strategic Initiatives
- Program Review Planning Summary
- SMC Vision for Success Goals
- Strategic Planning and Facilitation Summary/Strategic Initiatives
- Student Equity Plan
- Student Equity and Achievement Program Report
- Information Technology, Areas of Focus

Annual Action Plans should:
- Align and support the Strategic Initiatives and Objectives
- Should map to Institutional Planning Documents
- Align with the Chancellor’s Office Vision for Success

The Annual Strategic Planning Report identifies linkages among the various components of the overall institutional planning process, provides an estimated cost and funding source (with a descriptive budget narrative) for each action plan and describes methods to accomplish each action plan; and lists anticipated outcomes for each action plan. The resulting Strategic Planning Report shall be forwarded to the Superintendent/President as a recommendation for adoption.

The Annual Strategic Planning Report will inform the development of the annual calendar of DPAC meetings. DPAC will agree on the calendar, and the appropriate parties working on the action plans will be invited to attend meetings when those topics are relevant to their work. The presidents of each constituency will jointly coordinate agendas for DPAC meetings.

Planning Subcommittees:

1. Budget Planning
2. Facilities Planning
3. Human Resources Planning
4. Technology Planning
5. Other subcommittees, as needed, to assist DPAC with the institutional planning process

Meetings of the DPAC Planning Subcommittees are subject to the provisions of the Brown Act. Planning Subcommittees shall comprise four representatives of each constituency group or two representatives of each sub-constituency group.

- Faculty (2 Academic Senate/2 Faculty Association)
- Classified (4 CSEA)
- Managers (2 Administration /2 Management Association)
- Students (4 Associated Students)

DPAC shall determine the scope and function of the four Planning Subcommittees. DPAC provides direction to the four Planning Subcommittees.
**Quorum**

A quorum will consist of a simple majority of subcommittee members appointed by employee constituency groups (7 of 12 members), or designee.

**Voting on Planning Subcommittee**

Each member of the planning subcommittee has one vote (4 faculty, 4 classified, 4 managers, 4 students)

**Planning Subcommittees Co-Chairs**

One Co-Chair named by the Superintendent/President
The Superintendent/President may name any Santa Monica College employee or student as this co-chair.

One Co-Chair elected by the planning subcommittee
This co-chair shall be selected from within the subcommittee membership by September 30th of each year.

Note: Chairs shall not come from the same constituency group. If the Superintendent/President selects a faculty person for chair then the other chair must come from a constituency group other than faculty.

Additional Note: Co-Chairs (or designees) of the Planning Subcommittees will be required to attend DPAC meetings at which discussions of annual action plans relevant to the work of the subcommittee are agendized.

**Responsibilities of the Planning Subcommittees Co-Chairs**

- Develop the schedule of meetings
  - All planning subcommittees shall meet at least once a month, excluding intersessions, at a fixed time. A written summary report of each subcommittee’s work related to the annual actions plans shall be provided to DPAC at the end of the academic year.
- Work cooperatively to:
  - Develop meeting agendas
  - Post/distribute agendas in compliance with the Brown Act (*72 hours in advance of a regular meeting*)
  - Preside over meetings using standing rules agreed upon by the subcommittee
  - Prepare minutes of meetings
  - Post/distribute minutes

**Resources to DPAC**

1. Academic Senate Joint Committees (these committees are not subcommittees of DPAC)
   a. Program Review
   b. Curriculum
   c. Student Affairs
   d. Institutional Effectiveness
2. Other committees/College groups/staff who are already doing work related to the Strategic Initiatives and annual action plans will be invited to appropriate DPAC meetings as needed to participate in discussions relevant to their work.

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Santa Monica Community College District  
District Planning and Advisory Council  
2019-2020

Members, 2018-2019
Jennifer Merlic, Administration, Chair Designee  
Mike Tuitasi, Administration
Christopher Bonvenuto, Management Association President  
Erica LeBlanc, Management Association Representative
Nate Donahue, Academic Senate President, Vice-Chair  
Sal Veas, Academic Senate Representative
Peter Morse, Faculty Association President  
Tracey Ellis, Faculty Association Representative
Cindy Ordaz, CSEA Representative  
Dee Upshaw, CSEA Representative
Daniel Cha, Associated Students President  
Summer Le, Associated Students Representative

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Resource Liaisons
Co-Chairs, Budget Planning Subcommittee  
Co-Chairs, Facilities Planning Subcommittee  
Co-Chairs, Human Resources Planning Subcommittee  
Co-Chairs, Technology Planning Subcommittee
Chair and Vice-Chair Academic Senate Joint Curriculum Committee  
Chair and Vice-Chair, Academic Senate Joint Program Review Committee  
Chair and Vice-Chair, Academic Senate Joint Student Affairs Committee  
Chair and Vice-Chair Academic Senate Institutional Effectiveness Committee

Meetings, 2018-2019
The District Planning and Advisory Council meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, at 3 p.m. in Drescher Hall 300-E. Following is the schedule of meetings through June 2019.

July 11, 25, 2018  
August 22  
September 12, 26  
October 10, 24  
November 14  
December 12  
January 9, 23, 2019  
February 13, 27  
March 13, 27  
April 10, 24  
May 8, 22  
June 12, 26
District Planning and Advisory Council
Planning Subcommittees
(DPAC action 4/27/05 and 6/8/05)

Budget Planning Subcommittee
Facilities Planning Subcommittee
Human Resources Planning Subcommittee
Technology Planning Committee

Quorum
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Budget Planning Subcommittee

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Meetings: First and third Wednesdays at 2 p.m., Library 275

Duties of the Budget Planning Subcommittee:

- The subcommittee should make recommendations as directed by DPAC on matters within its jurisdiction that are consistent with the District’s Mission, Vision and Supporting Goals, Strategic Initiatives and the Annual Action Plans.

- Review, analyze and advise DPAC of the budgetary impact of any DPAC planning initiatives, including annual action plans.

- Review, in a timely manner, tentative, quarterly and final budgets for consistency with annual institutional goals and objectives, strategic institutional plans, and the college vision, mission, goals, and master plans, and forward recommendations to the District Planning and Advisory Council.

- Review the annual budget and make recommendations to DPAC for short- and long-term budget planning strategies.

- Review institutional expenditure practices, policies, and categories—not specific budget items—for consistency and support of the District’s Mission, Vision and Supporting Goals, the Annual Action Plans, and federal and state laws.

- As part of the budget planning process, regularly explore practices that can reduce college expenditures or enhance college revenue.

- Participate in the planning process.

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District Planning and Advisory Council
Facilities Planning Subcommittee

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2:05 – 3:05 p.m., The Loft (DH 300-E)

Duties of the Facilities Planning Subcommittee

- The subcommittee should make recommendations as directed by DPAC on matters within its jurisdiction that are consistent with the District’s Mission, Vision and Supporting Goals, Strategic Initiatives, the Annual Action Plans, and the Facilities Master Plan.
- Participate in the process for the preparation of various District facilities related documents, such as the facilities section of the Annual Strategic Planning Report, the Facilities Master Plan and the Five-Year Construction Plan.
- Factor into planning the impact of local funds available, state funding criteria, space allocation formulas, facility utilization standards, capacity/load ratios, enrollment forecasts, and the inventory of existing facilities.
- Review the documents used in facilities planning.

2018-2019 Action Plans relevant to the work of the Facilities Planning Subcommittee

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District Planning and Advisory Council
Human Resources Planning Subcommittee

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Meetings: Fourth Tuesdays, 1:30-3 p.m. HS 301

Duties of the Human Resources Planning Subcommittee

- The subcommittee should make recommendations as directed by DPAC on matters within its jurisdiction that are consistent with the District’s Mission, Vision and Supporting Goals, Strategic Initiatives and the Annual Action Plans.
- Assess data and practices as they relate to staffing needs, recruitment, hiring, and retention of employees in order to inform human resources planning.
- Monitor trends in equity and diversity in order to inform findings in human resources discussions.
- Review mandated training requirements and their delivery and effectiveness.
- Review Board Policies and Administrative Regulations pertaining to all faculty and classified staff.

2018-2019 Action Plan relevant to the work of the Human Resources Planning Subcommittee

| Action Plan 10 | Make steady progress toward the 75-25 benchmark for full-time instructional and non-instructional faculty. |

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Meetings: Third Friday of each month, 10:30 a.m. -12:00 noon in IT Conference Room 20

**Duties of the Technology Planning Subcommittee**

- The subcommittee should make recommendations as directed by DPAC on matters within its jurisdiction that are consistent with the District’s Mission, Vision and Supporting Goals, Strategic Initiatives, the Annual Action Plans, and the Technology Master Plan.
- Participate in the development of the annual Master Plan for Technology for submission to the District Planning and Advisory Council.
- Assess technology planning issues respective to Budget, Human Resources, Facilities, Student Services, and Instruction with a focus on technology integration and communication with other college planning areas.
- Recommend campus-wide technology solutions and provide ongoing support for the maintenance of the Master Plan for Technology.

**2018-2019 Action Plan relevant to the work of the Technology Planning Subcommittee**

| Action Plan 7 | Pursue the IEPI Grant to provide funding for an external consulting group to assess and provide SMC with a five-year comprehensive technology plan. |

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