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SCEA Rep Council Minutes
Date Thursday, October 22, 2026
Time: 11:45-1:00

Zoom: https://swccd-edu.zoom.us/my/jettazoomroom33

Freddie Ball	Angelica Gonzalez	Yasmin Mossadeghi	~~Jenny Sabas~~	**Kevin Sweeney**
Peter Bolland	~~Veronica Guaracha~~	Katherine Ness Santana	Zahra Salehpoor	**Candice Taffolla-Schrieber**
April Brenner	~~Sophia Jimenez~~	Diana Newberry	Soraya Sandoval	Lisa Tiedmann
~~Rocio Casco~~	Kim Keach	Trishana Norquist	Mohamed Sharif-Idiris	Liliana Tolson
~~Allen Chu~~	Grazyna Kubis	Roxanne Ocampo	Jacqueline Simon	Cem Tont
Alba Constenla Torrado	**Emily Lohorn Carpenter**	~~Jamie O'Conner-Florez~~	**Bruce Smith**	Naomi Trapp-Davis
Russ Corpron	**Eric Maag**	Maria Olivas	Liza Smith	Jennifer Vo
Errysteinn Frondarina	Ashley Majoros	Justin Pinnell	Michael Speyrer	Ryan Wash
	Geoffrey Martin	**Jessica Posey**	Gail Stockin	Ruff Yeager

Guests: Josue Arredondo, Lisa Ballesteros, Alma Bejarano, Ariana Cano, Bill Coe, Yessica Diaz-Roman, Phillip Diwa, Meg Eckles-Estrela, Sylvia Garcia-Navarrete, Rebecca Johnson, Caree Lesh, Mike Litton, Yvonne Lucas, Alicia Rodriguez, Andrea Schnitz, Mariana Schroeder, Yolanda Yslas-Thompson, Yalila Vega, Ken Yanow, Brittany Zemlick..

No:	Item:	Presenter:	Status:	Time:
1	**Approval of Agenda**	**Taffolla-Schreiber**	**Action**	**1 min**
Approved by consensus .				
2	**Approval of Minutes (10-8-2026)**	**Taffolla-Schreiber**	**Action**	**1 min**
Approved by consensus.				
3	**Academic Senate President's Report**	**Lesh**	**Information**	**3 min**
Item 1: On Tuesday at the Senate, a resolution is coming forward to recommend that the interim Superintendent/President position is filled by a person from outside the college, and is not currently applying for the permanent position.				
4	**SCEA President's Report**	**Taffolla-Schreiber**	**Information**	**3 min**
A shoutout was given to the SCEA Executive Team for consistently participating in the PAC events, especially to the Chair Eric Maag for his exemplary work and coordination to support the SCEA and its efforts.				
5	**PAC Update**	**Maag**	**Discussion**	**15 min**
A shoutout was given to the SCEA President for her commitment for creating a sense of community and unity within the organization. **Item 1:** Mailers for Selena and Robert will be going out. Mailers should arrive as earley as this weekend. **Item 2:** The pizza parties will take place tonight, Thur 10/22 / 4:30-6:30PM and next Wednesday 10/28 at Bambino's Pizza 1392 E Palomar St. We will hold signs to support our candidates for Governing board. **Item 3:** The final canvassing event will take place this Saturday on 10/24 to canvass in area 1 of Chula Vista. Meet at Kimball park in National City at 10:00a,-2:00pm. Please click here to RSVP for these events.				
6	**Bargaining Update**	**Eckles & Yanow**	**Information**	**15 min**
Item 1: The ratification vote for the TA's closes on Tuesday, October 27. **Item 2:** The "Sunshine List" is the list of articles that the bargaining team wants to open for this round of negotiation. Compensation and health and welfare are always re-opened. The list is compiled from feedback received from the faculty. Bargaining can begin in January, however due to the contract the negotiations will begin in February. **Question 1:** Will the Article about part-time office hours be opened? Answer: yes. **Question 2:** When will part-time dental coverage begin? Answer: The benefits are contingent upon making sure that the dental coverage does not increase the total cost to the district of dental coverage by 5% it can go into effect. As soon as the Dental insurance company (Delta Dental) communicates rates with the district, the coverage can begin. For questions related to bargaining, please reach out to the bargaining team co-leads Meg Eckles and Ken Yanow.				

7	**Part Time Report**	**Lohorn Carpenter**	**Information**	**10 min**
Item 1: As Spring assignments are being made, please reach out with any questions about scheduling and vesting to the part-time Rep Emily Lohorn Carpenter. **Item 2:** The next Adjunct Outreach Event will take place on Wednesday November 4, 3:30-4:30 and will focus on CTA benefits. A global invite will be sent out soon.				
8	**Conference Debrief**	**Smith**	**Information**	**10 min**
The CCA fall conference took place October 9-11, 2026 at the Grand Hyatt in San Francisco.The best part of the conference is the community building among reps, and the informative sessions about things like Standing Rules and By-laws. The most challenging part (because of its length and tedium) is the voting that takes place on Sunday where voting on CTA related issues takes place. The CCA winter conference will take place in Feb 26-28 at the Hilton in Orange County. The Spring conference will take April 23-25 at the Westin in San Diego's gaslamp. All conference related costs (registration, hotel, travel, tipping) is covered for a selected group of unit members. For more information reach out to SCEA Outreach co-chairs Emily Lohorn Carpenter and Kevin Sweeney.				
9	**Presidential Search**	**All**	**Discussion**	**15 min**
The district plan for the next Superintendent/President is planned to begin when the new SWC Governing Board members are seated after the November elections conclude. A robust conversation was held about the Presidential search and how board appointments of interim positions are conducted.				
10	**Adjournment**			
Next meeting: Thursday, November 12, 2026				