



MERRITT COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE

Merritt College Academic Senate (MCAS)

Meeting Agenda

Thurs., May 18, 2023

12:30 – 2:00 P.M.

Room 112A

Zoom URL: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88461880114>

Membership

Voting

Thomas Renbarger
(President)

Monica Ambalal
(Vice President)

Frances Moy
(Treasurer)

Dan Lawson
(Recording Sec.)

Lowell Bennett (PT)
(At-Large DAS Rep.)

Stefani de Vito
Danae Martinez
Arja McCray
Isela Santana
Heather Casale
Maria Suarez
Janine Nkosi
Rosa Perez
Noël Fagerhaugh
(PT)

Quorum

6 voting members

- I. Call to Order
- II. Agenda Review, Changes and Adoption – *2 min.*
- III. Approval of May 4, 2023 minutes – *4 min.*
- IV. Public Comment – *3 min. per individual, 9 min. max*
- V. Consent Calendar: No items on Consent for this meeting.
- VI. Action Items/Presentations – *60 min.*
 - a) Resolution to Fund the Peer Online Course Review (POCR) Initiative at Merritt College using Zero Textbook Cost (ZTC) Funding for 2023-24 Academic Year (Ambalal) – *10 min.*
 - Action: MCAS will consider action to pass a resolution in support of funding
 - b) Merritt College Website/Webmaster (Mofidi/Pellegrin) – *15 min.*
 - Action: MCAS will consider possible action regarding Merritt College website maintenance and support
 - c) MCAS Constitution, Presidential Term Limits (Renbarger) – *15 min.*
 - Action: MCAS will discuss and take possible action on amending its constitution to include presidential term limits of three 2-year terms.
 - d) MCAS 2023-24 Officer Elections (MCAS)) – *15 min.*
 - Action: MCAS will elect its 2023-24 officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, District Academic Senate representative)

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e) 2023-24 Faculty Handbook – 15 min.

- Action: MCAS will divide up the sections of the Faculty Handbook to be updated for the 2023-24 academic year.

VII. Standing Items – 15 min.

a) Reports From Officers (Pres., VP, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary)

b) Reports From Committees (Curriculum, Council of Department Chairs and Program Directors, College Budget Committee, College Facilities Committee, Institutional Effectiveness Committee, Merritt Technology Committee, Distance Education Committee, Career Education Advisory Council, Student Success and Equity Committee, Guided Pathways)

c) Accreditation

d) Equity

VIII. New Business

IX. Old Business

X. Adjournment

- Next meeting: September 7, 2023