

ORANGE COAST COLLEGE

Academic Senate Meeting | Sept. 24, 2024 | 11:30 am - 12:30 pm | Student Union 214/Zoom Link: <https://cccd-edu.zoom.us/j/83950717582>

<i>Part Time Faculty</i>	Absent	<i>at-Large</i>	Present
<i>Counseling</i>	Present	<i>at-Large</i>	Present
<i>at-Large</i>	Present	<i>Business & Computing</i>	Absent
<i>Math & Sciences</i>	Present	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>	Present
<i>Technology</i>	Present	<i>Curriculum Chair, Parliamentarian</i>	Absent
<i>Library</i>	Present	<i>at-Large</i>	Present
<i>at-Large, President</i>	Present	<i>Visual & Performing Arts</i>	Present
<i>at-Large</i>	Present	<i>Social & Beh. Sciences</i>	Present
<i>at-Large, Vice President</i>	Present	<i>, ASOCC Student Representative</i>	Present
<i>at-Large</i>			

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 1 _____ Rupa Sara, Angelica Suarez, Laura Behr, Tara Giblin,
 Vesna Marcina, and Andreea Serban.

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_____ called the meeting to order at 11:30 A.M.

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_____ (Announced that the Orange Coast College Friends of the Library will be hosting a screening of the Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour on Wednesday, September 25, at 7:00 PM, in the Robert B. Moore Theater.

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Jodie Legaspi

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John Congleton

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Maryann Watson

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Announced that he is proud to celebrate the passage of Assembly Bill 1805, which allows the inclusion of curriculum materials related to the historic case of in California schools. This achievement is personally meaningful to him as a friend of the Mendez family.

. (During today's Senate meeting, we will also hear updates on the Senate Committee reports, full-time faculty hiring prioritization, and the Honors Program Advisory Committee, with 1 providing insights on these topics. .

& will update us on recent developments regarding board policies and administrative procedures in preparation for our upcoming accreditation visit.

from the Office of Institutional Effectiveness and , the Online Coordinator, will discuss the requirements for Regular Substantive Interaction (RSI) in online and synchronous courses.

will provide an update on the restructured Academic Standards Committee's recent reorganization and goals. The Senate has tasked the Academic Standards Committee with developing policies and guidelines for addressing Artificial Intelligence (AI) on campus. It is essential that any procedures we establish align with the Coast Community College District's overarching AI policy. As the newly elected President of the Senate, he stated that he is committed to collaborating with state, regional, and district-wide AI leaders to develop OCC's first set of AI procedures. He looks forward to Senate input on this.

. Lastly, he announced that he will present next week on the AI summit he

Reported that last week we voted to hold a roll call vote today regarding the faculty position on participating in the full-

Stated that as the faculty co-chair of the Accreditation Coordinating Committee (ACC), she wanted to provide context for why this topic is on the agenda again. In the fall of 2022, the ACC reviewed changes to the requirements for Regular and Substantive Interaction (RSI) in online courses, which are crucial for student success in distance education due to the transactional distance between instructors and students. At that time, the ACC requested that she present these changes to the Senate, along with recommendations. The first recommendation was for the Online Advisory Board (OAB) to review the Distance Education guidelines to ensure alignment with the Federal Department of Education, ACCJC, and Title V regarding RSI, which has been completed. The second recommendation involves determining a method for providing CRN-based evidence that RSI occurs in all distance education courses, an issue we still need to address as faculty. Additionally, there is heightened urgency due to a recent compliance recommendation issued to Mount Sac College, which faced similar challenges. They have eighteen months to address the lack of evidence for RSI in their courses, or they may face further sanctions. The ACCJC is taking this matter seriously, and she wants to emphasize that this is fundamentally about ensuring quality education across all modalities.

She has circulated information detailing what Regular and

2020, but I need to examine their current approach more closely, as I just received the information last night. Ultimately, I would like OCC to establish its own peer review process moving forward, as accreditation will require this in place by fall 2025.

. **&** Wished to add that when searching for "online" classes in our online schedule, the current system only displays online Canvas asynchronous classes, not Zoom and Canvas classes, which are classes that are hybrid but also distance education. We need to clearly differentiate between various formats and terms in both our self-evaluations and online in the schedule search. The current search design does not provide this necessary information, which is essential for a fair assessment of each class type. Additionally, she wanted to emphasize that faculty do not want online

Academic Senate. We will explore how AI may fit into our standards for regular and substantive interaction, among other topics. He is excited about the committee's progress and the meaningful work accomplished in a short period.

/ : Could you clarify whether they are using this to assess regular and substantive interaction (RSI) or to create it? . To create it.

. & Vice Chancellor Andreea Serban is in the meeting. She has researched various universities, which generally have tiered policies at the district level on AI. This approach emphasizes the ethical importance of disclosure when using AI, as many professional journals require contributing professors to acknowledge its use upon submission; failure to do so is considered unethical. It's crucial to establish guidelines that reflect the varying ethical implications of AI usage across different courses, just as we have different guidelines for labs versus physical education courses, etc. Transparency is crucial for all instruction, particularly regarding AI usage and student work.

Reported that we ask each committee reporting to the Senate to provide a check-in once per semester. This report is from the Honors Program Advisory Committee, often referred to as the Honors Council, for this term.

The Garrison Honors Center, named after its founder Tom Garrison, houses the OCC Honors Program and eighteen separate honor societies—the most of any community college.

Honors is vital to OCC's mission, especially given the financial challenges communicated by the District. With limited state revenue for community colleges, we must seek outside sources of funding. While we have successfully recruited international students, I believe we can also attract out-of-state students, particularly those from non-bordering states.

Our Honors Program is appealing for families aiming to prepare students for selective universities, bolstered by our agreements with UCLA and UCI, which boast an 80% acceptance rate for students who complete our program.

The Garrison Honors Center staff includes Dr. Taylor, the Dean, and Terry Scarborough, who manages operations, and myself, the Honors Faculty Coordinator. We have five honors counselors: Senator Carol Barnes, Eric Cuellar, Jared Vidal, Linda Bagatourian, and Eileen Tom, all dedicated to supporting students in their applications to selective universities. In addition to assisting students applying to schools like UCLA and UCI, we help those seeking admission to institutions like Berkeley and USC.

Our Honors Student Council provides leadership opportunities, and we offer various programs on campus. We also award the Garrison Fellowship to the top student in each academic discipline and have hosted the Green Coast Day event for eighteen years. Although we will not hold that event this year, we will continue our "Our Coast, Our Future" initiative in the spring semester, focusing on environmental regulation changes.

Finally, our eighteen honor societies include eight unique to Orange Coast College, covering diverse fields such as Marine Science, health professions, political science, social behavioral sciences, music, film, and visual arts. Additionally, we offer common honor societies in business, math, foreign languages, communication, psychology, English, STEM, and veterans, as well as tiered societies based on GPA, Phi Theta Kappa and Alpha Gamma Sigma.

Asked if Vice President Gordon could invite some Honor students to a future senate meeting.

goals is to increase focus on student activities, both in the classroom and on campus, as well as initiatives beyond campus. I believe it would be beneficial to invite students here to enhance interaction and engagement with our goals.

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adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p