



Mt. San Antonio College
GPS Pathways to Success (GPS)
Cross Council Committee
Minutes | September 17, 2024 | 3:30pm-5:00pm

Sylvia Ruano (Dean of Instruction)(Tri-Chair)	x	Marcell Gilmore (Educational Research Analyst GPS, RIE)		Romelia Salinas (Dean, Library & Learning Resources)			
Michelle Nava (GPS Counseling Faculty Co-Coordinator) (Tri-Chair) 2024-26	x	Tiffany Kuo (Lead Title V Data Coach)		Michelle Sampat (Dean, Business)	x		
Elmer Rodriguez (GPS Counseling Faculty Co-Coordinator) (Tri-Chair) 2024-26	x	Diana Lupercio (Vice President, SCE or Designee)		Lizbet Sanchez (FPDC Coordinator) 2024-26			
Tania Anders (Academic Senate President) For Term		Yen Mai (Director of Marketing)		Emily Versace (Faculty-at-Large) 2023-2025			
Naomi Avila (Noncredit Faculty)		Tom Mauch (AVP Student Services or Designee)		Renu Katoch (Faculty-at-large)	x		
Denise Bailey Dean of Natural Sciences (Instructional Manager-at-large appointed by VPI)	x	Stacie Nakamatsu (GPS Mapping Coordinator) 2024-26	x	Vacant (Faculty-at-large)			
Michael Carr (Director Academic Technology)		Krupa Patel (Business Analyst, Instruction)	x	Vacant (Faculty-at-Large)			
Kelly Coreas (Faculty Outcomes Co-Coordinator) 2024-26	x	Patty Quiñones (Director, RIE)	x	Vacant (Faculty-at-large)			
Francisco Dorame (Dean of Counseling)	x	Tannia Robles (VPSS Designee)		Vacant (Student Representative)			<i>Recorder Lisa Jackson</i>

Topic	Time	Discussion/Action Item
1. Welcome & Introductions	3:30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Round-table introductions
2. Review of the Agenda	3:40pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agenda accepted as submitted
3. Review/Approval of April 16 Minutes	3:45pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes approved as submitted. M. Sampat abstained from the vote.

4. Budget Debrief and Update (Sylvia)	3:50pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The GPS grant ends June 2025. • The worksheet showing expenditures and encumbrances was reviewed. Approximately \$114,590 in mini grants have been awarded. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ We've awarded a large amount of money so far. A rubric and criteria had to be met in order to get project funding. • Balance of \$708k that we must spend within the next year and a half. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ This amount could decrease once faculty reaches and agreement with the District for COLA (raises and retro). • Sylvia will be sending reminders via email for recipients to spend their funds. • We want to make sure that we spend as much as we can before the money is reallocated.
5. GPS Application Information Release (Sylvia, Elmer, Michelle)	4:15pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up to \$50k per project will be offered. Certain criteria must be met. • We will not receive any additional GPS funding. This will be the last round of mini grants. Funds will have to be spent this year and next year. Funds can be carried over and spent in 25-26 academic year. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Funding can be for an existing project. It doesn't have to be a new project. ◦ While we are looking for new ideas, we also want to infuse new life into existing projects. (i.e., bridge, step, or promise). • Applications still need to go through the process and align with the three pillars and strategic plan. • R. Katoch shared that she came across a student that needed a book loan because of the cost and that this student was transferring from noncredit to credit. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ The grant restrictions do not allow for gifts to students, faculty, or staff. However, we can purchase the book and give to the student to use, but it must be returned. • E. Rodriguez shared and reviewed the new funding application. The application period will open early October and end in January. Awards will be made in February. Recipients will be given a full year to spend the money. This will ensure that fiscal deadlines are met.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please be sure to share this information with your constituents. • K. Coreas stated that she would love to hear about the successful projects – both the good and bad and that it would be nice to see what a successful application looks like. It would also be helpful to have grants specialist available to clearly advise applicants on what is allowable. • Elmer distributed a handout for career education programs. A goal would be to have something similar to this for noncredit. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This will help inform our students of the different programs available. ○ Counseling office has a rounder in the lobby area with handouts. Something similar can be done for Guided Pathways. ○ Discussed funding for each Division office as well as the library.
6. Committee Membership (Sylvia, Elmer, and Michelle)	4:25pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed current vacancies on the committee. • L. Jackson reached out to Academic Senate regarding vacant faulty positions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Renu Katoch has been appointed to the council for the 2024-25 term. ○ Still waiting for a student appointee. Lisa to follow up with Leslie Hennings in Student Services.
7. Mapping & Catalog Update (Stacie & Sylvia)	4:45pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The college catalog was published in early June. Work also began on map updates as well as program updates with major changes. • Ethnic studies to be added to the 80-plus associate degree maps. • Discussed the issues with Degree Works that we've been having as well as the on-going issues with the online catalog. • Sylvia thanked Stacie for being responsive and fixing the issues and broken links.
8. Future Meetings/Announcements	4:55pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last meeting Fall24 is in November. The December meeting falls after the semester has ended.
9. Adjournment	5:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

<u>Ongoing Topics</u>		
10. Parking Lot: Upcoming Items		

Future Meetings: **Fall 2024: October 15 and November 19- December (no meeting)**