



Professional Development Council

Thursday, May 7, 2026

1:30 to 3:15 pm

Virtual Meeting Via Zoom

PDC Minutes

Attendance:

A	Lisa Rodriguez - Director POD, Tri-Chair	A	Valerie Garcia – SCE Rep	√	Kimberly Butler - 651 Rep	√	Kevin Yang – Student Rep	A	Yvette Garcia - Classified Senate Rep	A	Kolap Samel - Faculty Association Rep
√	Nicole Blean - Mgmt. Steering Rep	√	Val Biller- 262 Rep	A	Kristina Alvarado - Management Prof. Dev. Committee Rep	√	Lizbet Sanchez - Faculty Prof. Dev., Tri-Chair	√	Adam Roman - Confidential Rep, Tri-Chair	√	Donna Necke – Academic Senate Rep

Minutes: Maria Cardenas

Item	Purpose	Outcome
Welcome	- Check-Ins - Review minutes of the April 2, 2026, meeting	Lizbet motioned to approve the minutes from April 2, 2026. All PDC members present voted to approve the minutes.
Conference and Travel	- Budget Update (Lizbet) - C&T Requests 2025-26 Cut-off – May 1st	- Classified 262 and Confidential: started FY 2025-26 with \$28,000, \$27,367 was approved, and \$631 is the remaining balance. - Classified 651: was allocated \$10,000 for FY 2025-26, \$5240 was approved, and \$4760 is the remaining balance. - Faculty: \$50,000 district allocation is fully approved/expended. Roll over budget at \$287,658, with \$149,393 approved, and \$138,265 is the remaining balance.
Action Items	PDC Goals & Committee Report 2026 (Update and Finalize)	- Council reviewed the two-year cycle goals and outcomes document. - Members confirmed the accuracy of existing goals and discussed updates. - Key updates needed: - Add note that the Flexible Calendar Committee will move under PDC due to new statewide regulations. - Add recognition of PDC's role in DEISA+ workshop identification and approval. - Members agreed to email any final edits before the June 4 submission deadline.



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Discussion	C&T Requests Voting Protocol	- Clarified timing rules for reviewing requests: - Standard guideline: 6-month window for classified staff. - Flexibility is allowed when conferences occur near the cutoff to avoid missing early registration. - Early submissions for November/December conferences will likely be reviewed around October. - Prioritization reaffirmed: - Presenters first - First-time requesters next - CPDC will revisit the \$10,000 allocation for 651 employees; it may be reduced based on need.
Reports	- CPDC (Val Biller) - FPDC (Lizbet Sanchez) - MPDC (Kristina Alvarado)	- CPDC; Planning underway for CPD Day. Approved session: <i>"How to Live From Your Higher Self and Thrive at Work."</i> Strong positive feedback from attendees. - FPDC; Completed review of 300+ DEISA+ workshops for stipend eligibility. Continuing work on Fall Flex Day planning. Faculty concerns and interest in ethical AI use highlighted. Flexible Calendar Committee will transition from FPDC to PDC. - MPDC; No report
Other	- C&T Voting Review - Call for discussion items at next meeting	

Next Meeting: June 4, 2026