Shasta College STUDENT SENATE

STUDENT SENATE MEETING
Friday, October 23, 2026
1:00 pm-2:00pm
Room 207, Zoom

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1. CALL TO ORDER *by Mariah Bobadilla at 12:59 p.m.*

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Lead the Pledge of Allegiance by saying "Salute, pledge…")

3. ROLL CALL

Executive Board	**Title**	**Attendance**	**Quorum Count**
Mariah Bobadilla	President	Present	1/1
Evelyn Degutis	Vice President	Present	1/1
Amelia Rocca	Secretary	Present	1/1
Finn Hansen	Treasurer	Present	1/1
Alexandra Karlsson	Regional Affairs Officer	Present	1/1
Advisory Roles	**Title**	**Attendance**	
Cardea Marcus	Senator	Present	
Staff	**Title**	**Attendance**	
Tim Johnston	VP of Student Services	Absent	
Brianne Brichacek	Director of Student Life	Present	
Amanda Saetern	Classified Advisor	Present	
Katie Elwood	Faculty Advisor	Present	

**Quorum = (2/3) Executive Board Members Present 5/5

Guests: *No guests were present.*

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
   a. 10/23/26
   Evelyn Degutis motioned to approve the agenda, and this was seconded by Finn Hansen. Cardea Marcus cast an advisory vote in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously with zero votes of opposition and zero abstentions.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
   a. 10/16/26
   Mariah Bobadilla commented that her name was spelt with an extra "a" on agenda item #12. Bobadilla also noted that $2,5000 should be changed to $2,500, and Cat Horan is actually

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Cat Morton. On #11 "we're" needed to be changed to "were". She motioned to approve the minutes with the suggested changes and Alexandra Karlsson seconded. Cardea Marcus cast an advisory vote in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously with zero votes of opposition and zero abstentions.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT
   - **a.** This segment of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the SCSS on any matter of concern that is not stated on the agenda. A time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker and fifteen (15) minutes per topic shall be observed. The law does not permit any action to be taken, nor extended discussion of any items not on the agenda. The SCSS may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed. For further information, please contact the SCSS President for the item of discussion to be placed on a future agenda. (Brown Act §54954.2)

     No public comment was received.

7. STAFF REPORTS
   - **a.** TIMOTHY JOHNSTON (Vice President of Student Services)

     No report was received.
   - **b.** BRIANNE BRICHACEK (Director of Student Life)

     Brianne Brichacek reminded the SCSS that Katie Elwood may be the only staff member present during the next meeting as her, Tim Johnston, and Amanda Saetern will be at a student services retreat.
   - **c.** AMANDA SAETERN (Classified Advisor)

     No report was received.
   - **d.** KATIE ELWOOD (Faculty Advisor)

     Katie Elwood reminded the SCSS that there is a resolution information and planning webinar today from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. put on by the SSCCC. Amanda Saetern noted that Alexandra Karlsson has a delegate meeting at the same time, but they will be talking about resolutions. Evelyn Degutis and Mariah Bobadilla said they will attend the webinar and report back to the rest of the SCSS. Karlsson stated that she will try to save the slideshow so the SCSS can review it.

8. PARTICIPATORY COMMITTEES
   (Discussion/Action)
   - **a.** Campus Aesthetics Committee - Friday, October 30th @ 2-3:00pm and one more time in December

     Amanda Saetern stated that the time was changed to Wednesdays from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. only a couple times a semester. The first meeting will be on October 28th. Evelyn Degutis expressed interest in the committee. Mariah Bobadilla motioned for Evelyn Degutis to be appointed as the student representative on the campus aesthetics committee. This was seconded by Amelia Rocca. Cardea Marcus cast an advisory vote in favor of the motion. The motion passed with 4/5 quorum members voting in favor, zero opposition, and one abstention by Evelyn Degutis.

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9. CLUB APPROVALS
(Discussion/Action)
   a. Heavy Equipment Operators Club

Evelyn Degutis motioned to approve the Heavy Equipment Operators club and Amelia Rocca seconded. Cardea Marcus cast an advisory vote in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously with zero votes of opposition and zero abstentions.

10. LAST MEETING IN FALL AND FIRST MEETING IN SPRING
(Discussion/Action)

Amanda Saetern noted that the last day of the semester is December 18th and she will need everyone to help with Giving Tree from November 30th to December 11th. Brianne Brichacek noted that the last week of Giving Tree is usually extremely busy, so she suggested December 4th as the final meeting day. Due to scheduling, Saetern suggested that we stick with the current 1:00 p.m. Brichacek suggested starting back up on January 29th but noted that we could have it on January 22nd or 29th depending on how many requests the SCSS received during the first week. All members of the SCSS agreed on those dates and times.

11. BYLAWS UPDATE – Third Reading
(Discussion)

Amanda Saetern reminded the SCSS that by next meeting there will be a clean version of the bylaws for further review. Mariah Bobadilla stated that she made some minor edits and comments. Evelyn Degutis and Amelia Rocca noted that it looked good when they read it over. Brianne Brichacek asked to make sure the SCSS was okay with losing access to the current bylaws document as she creates the clean version on Monday. No one had any issues with that. Katie Elwood noted that the next reading will be the fourth and asked whether they need to be approved soon. Saetern stated that it's okay as long as it's done by the end of the semester.

12. GIVING TREE
(Discussion)

Amanda Saetern informed the newer SCSS members about Giving Tree. Saetern stated that 100 student parents can sign up to receive gifts for up to six kids each. The children get sponsored or "adopted" by employees, who are told to spend around $25 to $50 per child. The children that do not get sponsored are "adopted" by the SCSS. Saetern stated that the application form opens on November 2nd at 8:00 a.m. and usually closes before the end of the day. Pick up is in person at the different campus and by appointment only. Brianne Brichacek asked what parents usually ask for. Saetern says they usually want craft supplies, clothing, shoes, books, blankets, stuffed animals, and she predicts many will want squishes and Nee-Dohs this year. Saetern stated that expensive gifts such as devices and gaming consoles are not allowed, as well as gift cards. Saetern shared a document with all the jobs that will have to be done for giving tree to run smoothly and asked every SCSS member to help with at least 2 or 3 of them. Alexandra Karlsson asked if these activities would be in place of our regular office hours, and Saetern said yes. It was noted that the first day will be December 8th which is usually a very

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busy day. Brichacek stated that no one will have to drive to work at the Tehama campus as there is already a dedicated worker there.

13. GENERAL ASSEMBLY
(Discussion)

Brianne Brichacek thanked everyone for giving her their flight information and made sure that everyone has a real ID or a passport for check in. Mariah Bobadilla asked Alexandra Karlsson if she has reached out to the other Division one community colleges yet. Karlsson stated that she hadn't yet. Amelia Rocca reminded the SCSS that we created an Ad. Hoc committee to brainstorm resolution ideas as a group before Karlsson must email the other schools. Rocca noted that we never decided on a time for that meeting. Bobadilla suggested 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. today. Rocca suggested that we wait until Karlsson attends her delegate meeting, and Degutis and Bobadilla attend the webinar, so that we have more information on how to write a resolution. The SCSS decided to meet at 3:30 p.m. next Tuesday, October 27th. Amanda Saetern asks if she should reserve room 207 for the meeting. Bobadilla stated that it should be held in the office. Katie Elwood asked if the SCSS would like her to attend, and Rocca said that would be great if she wanted to.

14. STANDING OR SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS
The following written reports are provided for informational and accountability purposes. These reports will be considered officially accepted by the Student Senate Executive Board upon adoption of their agenda. A time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker shall be observed.

- **a.** President/Student Trustee Report
- **b.** Vice President Report
- **c.** Secretary Report
- **d.** Treasurer Report
- **e.** Regional Affairs Officer Report
- **f.** Participatory Committee Representative Reports

Finn Hansen stated that he attended the first Equal Employment Opportunity Advisory committee. Hansen will present an official report on the committee's activities during the next meeting. Alexandra Karlsson stated that she would like to present a report for regional affairs officer during the next meeting as well.

15. COMMUNICATION FROM THE FLOOR
This time is reserved for any member of the senate to make announcements on items not on the agenda or bring forward information for general discussion. A time limit of one (1) minute per speaker shall be observed. No action will be taken and the total time limit for this item shall not be extended.

Mariah Bobadilla stated that she'd like to go ahead and approve money for Glow Run 2027 as she would like to purchase porta potties so that people don't have to walk far to reach a bathroom. Amanda Saetern asked if she would like that to be on the next agenda so that action can be taken, and Bobadilla agreed. Alexandra Karlsson asked if the porta potties and Brianne Brichacek stated that it is a full set up that comes with everything.

16. Next Meeting on Friday, October 30 at 1:00pm in Room 207 and Zoom.

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17. ADJOURNMENT

Amelia Rocca moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:35p.m., and this was seconded by Alexandra Karlsson. Cardea Marcus cast his advisory vote in favor of the motion. Mariah Bobadilla, Evelyn Degutis, Amelia Rocca, Finn Hansen, and Alexandra Karlsson all voted in favor. The motion passed unanimously with zero votes of opposition and zero abstentions