



STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, February 19, 2026

Zoom only: <https://shastacollege-edu.zoom.us/j/8691534232>

1:00pm -2:30 p.m.

APPROVED MINUTES

ROLL CALL:

X	Kate Mahar	X	Heather Wylie		Valerie Ambrose		Elaine Carmena
	Tina Duenas		Melanee Grondahl	X	Laraine Heck	X	James Konopitski
X	Katie Leach		Sandy Lucero		Christian Macias		Runi MacKinnon
X	Karla Martin		Rose Miranda	X	Erin O’Loughlin	X	Mia Olvera
X	Damaris Stevens	X	Molly Stimpel		Buffy Tanner		Jeanne Veich
X	Alexa Zaharris						

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 1:11p.m. by committee chair Kate Mahar

2. APPROVAL OF MINTUES:

The 12/11/25 minutes were approved by the committee, motion to approve Molly Stimpel, seconded Erin O’Loughlin, no abstentions or objections.

3. UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- “Good to Know” Campus Updates were highlighted in perspective areas:
 - Heather Wylie – The first Social Science Advisory Board taking place this spring. Aiming to integrate career pathways into academic programs
 - Alexa Zaharris – Fraud inquiries: FraudReview@shastacollege.edu , Michael Fannon main point of contact. Upcoming new application system, Reimagine Apply, with the California Community College.
 - Erin O’Loughlin - Grad Fair March 30th and Culture Fest April 16th
 - Damaris Stevens- Project work - ADT Rural Transfer & K16 Pathways
 - Molly Stimpel – Adult Education Annual Statewide Conference this spring, recruiting for presenters from the far north area.
 - Karla Martin – ESL class for health careers, in person class at Tehama.
 - Laraine Heck – Recruitment for next College Corp cohort. Long term funding for 3 years.
 - Mia Olvera – Career Readiness Plan (CRP) focuses on aligning educational plans with industry skills. Upcoming job fair is on March 20th.

Facilitating a Higher Up pilot program on financial literacy, available to specific student groups.

- James Konopitski – Veteran ally program seminar on March 13th.
- Katie Leach – AI Initiatives, CoP on Agentic
- Student Senate elections in April, students encouraged to apply. Contact Student Life for more information.

- Shasta College (SC) Strategic Educational Master Plan (SEMP), Draft Review – (*Attachment A*)

Goal 1: Strong Starts

Goal 2: Pathways and Student Motivations

Goal 3: Teaching Excellence

Goal 4: Equitable Access and Belonging

Goal 5: Foster sustainability Partnerships and Regional Support

- The committee reviewed the SC master plan and strategic goals focusing on student motivation, teaching excellence, equitable access and belonging. Emphasizing the importance of the committee in tackling new and emerging issues on campus.
 - Committee members were encouraged to review the strategic plan and identify key areas to focus on for the next meeting. Small group discussions to delve deeper into each goal and strategic focus emphasizing the importance of collaboration and input from various perspectives.
 - Committee members to suggest projects or topics for the spring 2026
- Review/Update of Fall 2025 Work Groups
 1. Kicking off AI Conversation
 2. Communicating with Students – (Keep with committee as a focus work group)
 3. Clarifying Course Modality – (Keep with committee as a focus work group)
 4. Ethnographies of Work - (Keep with committee as a focus workgroup)

4. ACTION ITEMS:

- Condensed version of the Educational Master Plan to be circulated to committee prior to next meeting.
- Spring 2026 Project Teams – TBD

5. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 2:21PM by committee chair, Kate Mahar

6. NEXT MEETING: Thursday, March 19, 2026 (In person, room 154 & zoom)

Minutes Recorded By:
Angie Yannello