



STUDENT SENATE MEETING

Friday, August 21, 2026

1:00 pm-2:00pm

Room 207, Zoom

MINUTES

Zoom Link: <https://shastacollege-edu.zoom.us/j/85403095503>

LET IT BE KNOWN that all meetings of the Shasta College Student Senate are open to the public. We, the Governing Board and Representatives of the Shasta College Student Senate, encourage all students and members of the public to feel free to attend this meeting and to voice their opinions on matters of the agenda or matters that they feel are issues that affect the student body of Shasta College. Any person or student wishing to be formally recognized on the agenda is encouraged to contact Shasta College Student Senate and include the emails of Shasta College Student Senate President (scss@shastacollege.edu) and the Shasta College Student Senate Advisors, Amanda Saetern (asaetern@shastacollege.edu) and Katie Elwood (kelwood@shastacollege.edu), no later than 5pm on the Monday before the meeting at which they wish to be recognized. Thank you.

1. CALL TO ORDER *by Mariah Bobadilla at 1:00 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
Angelina Yang	Treasurer	Present	1/1
VACANT	Regional Affairs Officer		/1
Advisory Roles	Title	Attendance	
VACANT	Senator		
Staff	Title	Attendance	
Tim Johnston	VP of Student Services	Present	
Brianne Brichacek	Director of Student Life	Absent	
Amanda Saetern	Classified Advisor	Present	
Katie Elwood	Faculty Advisor	Present (at 1:10 p.m.)	

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

4/4

Guests: Dr. Frank Nigro, Candace Irwin, Amy Thompson, Alexandra Karlsson, Jesus Fuguroa Cacho, and Cardea Marcus.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

a. 8/21/26

Evelyn Degutis motioned to approve the agenda, and this was seconded by Angelina Yang. The motion passed unanimously with zero votes of opposition and zero abstentions.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a. 5/8/26



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Amelia Rocca motioned to approve the minutes, and this was seconded by Evelyn Degutis. 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 comments were received.

7. STAFF REPORTS

- a. TIMOTHY JOHNSTON (Vice President of Student Services)
Tim Johnston welcomed the new SCSS and thanked them for their service to the Shasta College Student Body and he expressed excitement for the upcoming 2026-2027 school year. Johnston also explained his role as the Vice President of Student Services and conveyed his willingness to help the SCSS as a resource and liaison.
- b. BRIANNE BRICHACEK (Director of Student Life)
Brianne Brichacek was absent. No comment was provided.
- c. AMANDA SAETERN (Classified Advisor)
Amanda Saetern welcomed the SCSS back and expressed excitement for the upcoming 2026-2027 school year. Saetern reminded the SCSS that office hours would start next week.
- d. KATIE ELWOOD (Faculty Advisor)
Katie Elwood was unable to attend this portion of the meeting. However, she provided a letter, which was read by Amanda Saetern, apologizing for her absence and welcoming the new SCSS. In her letter, Elwood expressed her full support for the new SCSS.

8. BUDGET UPDATE

(Discussion)

Amanda Saetern shared the budget spreadsheet for starting the 2026-2027 academic school.

9. PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

(Discussion)

Dr. Frank Nigro, Superintendent/President of Shasta College, wished the SCSS a successful semester and thanked them for their service to the student body. Dr. Nigro discussed Measure C, the bond extension for Shasta College. He distributed informational sheets and introduced the SCSS to the official Measure C website, voteyesmeasurec.com. Amanda Saetern accessed the website during the discussion.

Dr. Nigro explained that this bond extension would raise \$129 million for the renovation and reconstruction of several buildings on campus. He noted that Measure C is an extension rather than a



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new bond, and it would cost the average homeowner approximately \$2.45 per month, which is an amount homeowners have already been paying. Dr. Nigro encouraged the SCSS to consider endorsing Measure C and provided some suggestions for how the SCSS could support the measure, including hosting a voter registration event, conducting an active campaign, organizing a student rally, establishing a table at Community Day to promote the measure, encouraging other clubs to endorse the measure, creating short videos explaining how the measure will benefit students, and promoting the measure through personal social media accounts.

Evelyn Degutis conveyed her support for Measure C, and Mariah Bobadilla echoed her support. Katie Elwood noted that the SCSS's decision on whether to endorse Measure C could have an impact not only on current students but also on future generations. The SCSS agreed to table their official decision for a later date.

10. BP/AP REVIEW – First Reading

(Discussion)

Candace Irwin explained the major changes made to each BP and AP for the first reading.

a. AP 5050 – Student Success and Support Program

Candace Irwin explained that AP 5050 is suggested as good practice and outlined the changes made.

b. BP 5400 – Student Organizations

Candace Irwin explained that BP 5400 is legally required and outlined the changes made.

c. AP 5400 – Student Organizations

Candace Irwin explained that AP 6400 is legally advised and outlined the changes made.

Amanda Saetern comments on the importance of AP and BP 5400 as they directly relate to the SCSS.

11. PRINTING BUDGET

(Discussion/Action)

Amanda Saetern suggested a budget of \$500 would be sufficient for printing. Angelina Yang motioned to approve the budget, and Evelyn Degutis seconded the motion. Angelina Yang amended the motion to include the figure of \$500. Evelyn Degutis seconded the motion. Mariah Bobadilla, Evelyn Degutis, Amelia Rocca, and Angelina Yang all voted in favor. The motion passed unanimously with zero votes of opposition and zero abstentions.

12. PARTICIPATORY COMMITTEES

(Discussion/Action)

a. Budget Committee – Wednesday, 8/26 10am-11am

b. Curriculum Committee – Every other Monday 3pm-5pm

Evelyn Degutis expressed interest in joining the curriculum committee and noted that she had already attended a meeting. Amelia Rocca moved to appoint Evelyn Degutis as the student



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representative to the curriculum committee. Angelina Yang seconded the motion. The motion passed with three-fourths of quorum members in favor, no opposition, and one abstention by Evelyn Degutis.

- c. College Council – Every other Tuesday 3pm-5pm
- d. Student Success Committee – TBA on Thursdays 1pm-2:30pm
Amelia Rocca expressed her interest in joining the student success committee.
- e. Enrollment Management Committee – TBA
- f. Program Review Committee – TBA on Thursdays

Discussion was held on this topic, and Evelyn Degutis was appointed to the curriculum committee. Mariah Bobadilla, Amelia Rocca, and Angelina Yang agreed to table further discussion on their decisions. Katie Elwood noted that the program review committee meetings may be held at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday.

13. KNIGHTS CONNECT

(Discussion)

- a. Resource Fair 9/9-10
Amanda Saetern announced that the event would start at 10:00 a.m. and end at 1:00 p.m. on both days. Evelyn Degutis confirmed her attendance on the 9th of September at the Shasta College campus in Redding. Mariah Bobadilla, Amelia Rocca, and Angelina Yang expressed that they may be able to attend on the 9th of September at the Shasta College campus in Redding but wished to consult their schedules before confirming.
- b. Involvement Fair/Community Day 10/8
Amanda Saetern noted that both Community Day and the Involvement Fair would take place on the same day, September 8th. Evelyn Degutis asked to confirm that the Involvement Fair is the revised name for Club Day, and Amanda confirmed. Amanda Saetern announced that the event would take place from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

14. CONSTITUTION DAY 9/17

(Discussion/Action)

Amanda Saetern suggests that \$300 would be sufficient for purchasing supplies and three cakes for Constitution Day. Evelyn Degutis motioned to allocate \$300 for the event and Angelina Yang seconded the motion. Mariah Bobadilla, Evelyn Degutis, Amelia Rocca, and Angelina Yang all voted in favor. The motion passed unanimously with zero votes of opposition and zero abstentions.

15. 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



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- e. Regional Affairs Officer Report
- f. Participatory Committee Representative Reports
No reports were provided.

16. 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.

Evelyn Degutis expressed her excitement for the SCSS and the upcoming 2026-2027 school year. Mariah Bobadilla echoed her excitement.

17. Next Meeting on Friday, August 28 at 1:00pm in Room 207 and Zoom.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Evelyn Degutis moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:43 p.m., and this was seconded by Angelina Yang. Mariah Bobadilla, Evelyn Degutis, Amelia Rocca, and Angelina Yang all voted in favor. The motion passed unanimously with zero votes of opposition and zero abstentions