



STUDENT SENATE MEETING

Friday, August 28, 2026

1:00 pm-2:00pm

Room 207, Zoom

MINUTES

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

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1. CALL TO ORDER *by Mariah Bobadilla at 1:02 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
Evelyn Degutis	Vice President	Present	/1
Amelia Rocca	Secretary	Present	/1
Angelina Yang	Treasurer	Present	/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	Present	
Amanda Saetern	Classified Advisor	Present	
Katie Elwood	Faculty Advisor	Present	

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

4/4

Guests: *Amy Thompson, Trinity Brooks, Candace Haan, and Cardea Marcus.*

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
 - a. 8/28/26
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. 8/21/26
Angelina Yang motioned to approve the agenda, and this was seconded by Evelyn Degutis. The motion passed unanimously with zero votes of opposition and zero abstentions.



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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 Jonston noted that Constitution Day is legislatively mandated for any Community Colleges that process financial aid, and he values the SSCC's involvement in the event. Jhonston also mentioned his appreciation for the SSCC's consideration on whether to endorse Bond Measure C.

- b. BRIANNE BRICHACEK (Director of Student Life)

Brianne Brichacek provided the student senate with the official rule book and informational pamphlet for the ballot bowl. Brichacek also proposed that the SSCC consider doing a video campaign which would involve members of the Senate creating short videos explaining why they think it's important to vote.

- c. AMANDA SAETERN (Classified Advisor)

Amanda Saetern reminded the SSCC that she will be absent next week, August 31st to September 4th, and Saetern shared that Senate members should reach out to Brianne Brichacek or Katie Elwood with any questions or concerns. She mentioned that when doing so, we should CC all three.

- d. KATIE ELWOOD (Faculty Advisor)

Katie Elwood wished the SSCC, the staff, and guests a happy Friday. Mariah Bobadilla wishes Elwood a happy birthday and thanks her for all her support and contributions to the SSCC during her time as the faculty advisor.

8. BP/AP REVIEW – Second Reading

(Discussion/Action)

- a. BP 5400 – Student Organizations
- b. AP 5400 – Student Organizations

Evelyn Degutis motions to approve BP 5400 and AP 5400 on Student Organizations and Angelia Yang seconds. Evelyn shares that she reviewed both and stated that everything was in order, and the changes made helped clarify the wording. Mariah Bobadilla, Angelia Yang, and Amelia Rocca agreed with her sentiment. The motion passed unanimously with zero votes of opposition and zero abstentions.



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9. STUDENT HEALTH AND WELLNESS OFFICE

(Discussion/Action)

Trinity Brooks stated that the Student Health and Wellness Office has three things that they would like to share with the SSCC. First, Brooks mentioned that they will be hosting a think pink event on the 15th of October from 9 a.m. till 1 p.m. and they would appreciate it if any SSCC members would be willing to volunteer. Brooks noted that if anyone was interested they should email her at tbrooks@shastacollege.edu. Secondly, Brooks informed the SSCC that O.A.K (overdose aid kits) will be placed around all Shasta college campuses. She also demonstrated what would be inside each box and how students would utilize them. Amanda Saetern brought up the Shasta College Campus Opioid Safety website. Lastly, Brooks propositioned the SSCC for support or funding for a new campus map. This map is fully interactive, completely ADA compliant, and can be updated in real time. Brooks stated that it would cost \$30,000 to implement and then a yearly payment of \$20,000. Brooks notes that PACE, Campus Safety, Health and Wellness, Athletics, and IT are in support. Katie Elwood asked if IT has any concerns about data safety. Candace Haan states that the map system has been vetted and implemented in many community colleges. Haan adds that she wants this map to serve as a part of campus culture. Elwood inquired to whether marketing had any concerns. Brooks stated that they didn't seem opposed and that they only update the PDF map every six months. Mariah Bobadilla asked if there are any departments that are against the halving of a new campus map, and Brooks said no. Bobadilla asked how much money they are looking for from the SSCC. Brooks said that they'd appreciate anything that the SSCC would be willing to donate. Amanda Saetern asked how other community colleges fund it, and Haan said it varied from school to school. Bobadilla asked when they'd like the SSCC's decision. Brooks said they'd like to know if the Senate supports it within the next month, but that they wouldn't need any funding till December. Amelia Rocca motions to table this topic for further discussion and decision until the following meeting. Evelyn Degutis seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously with zero votes of opposition and zero abstentions.

10. 2026 BOND MEASURE C

(Discussion/Action)

Amanda Saetern asks the SSCC whether they would like to endorse Bond Measure C. Evelyn Degutis motions to endorse Bond Measure C and Amelia Rocca seconds. Katie Elwood asked the SSCC if they are clear and confident about what the term "endorse" means and what it would involve. Mariah Bobadilla explains that endorsement means not using district resources to promote the measure or acting as representatives for the entire college. She adds that the endorsement will come from the SSCC members as students. Brianne Brichacek provides a Bond Measure C project list, the community forum schedule and a frequently asked questions handout. Brichacek noted that the bond will cost the community 129 million, but the total cost of the projects is 191 million because the government will often provide matching funds for projects like these. Amelia Rocca expresses her support for the measure, stating that she sees no downsides as it's a renewal, and taxpayers have been paying the same rate since 2002. Degutis asked if the SSCC will have camping booths. Bobadilla clarifies that we would promote the measure at the SSCC's table during events. Tim Jhonston adds that if the SSCC chooses to endorse Bond Measure C, they may appear on the official voter guide. All SSCC members



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express support for Bond Measure C, and the motion passed unanimously with zero votes of opposition and zero abstentions.

11. CLUB APPROVALS

(Discussion/Action)

a. Rocketry Club

Mariah Bobadilla states that the Rocketry Club constitution looks to be complete and in order. Evelyn Degutis moves to approve the Rocketry Club's constitution. Angelina Yang seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously with zero votes of opposition and zero abstentions.

12. PARTICIPATORY COMMITTEES

(Discussion/Action)

a. Budget Committee – 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 10am-11am

Amelia Rocca expressed her interest in budget committee as it fits her schedule the best. Rocca asked if it was likely the committee would allow her to leave five minutes early to get to class at 11:00 a.m. on time. Katie Elwood and Amanda Saetern assured her that would be fine. Evelyn Degutis moved to appoint Amelia Rocca as the student representative to the budget committee. Angelina Yang seconded the motion. The motion passed with three-fourths of quorum members in favor, no opposition, and one abstention by Amelia Rocca.

b. College Council – 1st and 3rd Tuesdays 3pm-5pm

Mariah Bobadilla expressed interest in college council as she was a part of this committee last year, however she stated that she'd like to keep her Tuesdays less busy. Angelina Yang mentioned that the college council meetings conflicted with her work. Therefore, college council stays without a student representative and is still open for students outside of the SSCC.

c. Student Success Committee – TBA once a month Thursdays 1pm-2:30pm

Amelia Rocca expressed interest in the student success committee but noted that it would interfere with her work. Mariah Bobadilla asked Angelina Yang which of the remaining committees she preferred to join. Yang said that Bobadilla may have first pick. Bobadilla stated that she'd like to join the student success committee. Angelina Yang moved to appoint Mariah Bobadilla as the student representative to the student success committee. Evelyn Degutis seconded the motion. The motion passed with three-fourths of quorum members in favor, no opposition, and one abstention by Mariah Bobadilla.

d. Program Review Committee – 1st and 3rd Thursdays 12:30pm-2pm on Zoom

Angelina Yang expressed her interest in joining the program review committee. Amelia Rocca motioned to appoint Angelina Yang as the student representative to the program review committee and Evelyn Degutis seconded the motion. The motion passed with three-fourths of quorum members in favor, no opposition, and one abstention by Angelina Yang.

13. KNIGHTS CONNECT



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(Discussion)

- a. Resource Fair 9/9-10
- b. Involvement Fair/Community Day 10/8

Amanda Saetern noted that she finalized the schedule for when each SSCC officer would be present at both the Involvement Fair/Community day and the first and second day of the resource fair. Angelina Yang mentioned that she'd be unable to attend the Resource Fair on the 9th due to a previously unknown conflict but that she would still be able to come on the 10th. Mariah Bobadilla stated that she did not have any changes to make to her schedule, same as Amelia Rocca and Evelyn Degutis.

14. CONSTITUTION DAY 9/17

(Discussion)

Amanda Saetern brought up the finalized flyer for Constitution Day. All members of the SSCC said that the flyer looked great.

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
- 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.

Amelia Rocca asked if the minutes from the 8/21/26 meeting were alright. Amanda Saetern and Katie Elwood assured her that they were adequate and that it's better to write too much than too little.

17. Next Meeting on Friday, September 4 at 1:00pm in Room 207 and Zoom.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Angelina Yang moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:50 p.m., and this was seconded by Evelyn Degutis. 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