



STUDENT LIFE COMMITTEE

May 2, 2024 | Auto Partners Room 11 | 1:00 PM

Student Life Committee Goals 2023-2024

1. Explore strategies and develop recommendations to connect students through in-person and online cohorts, to advance a sense of belonging on campus (EMP Goal A: Strengthening the culture of completion)
2. Develop practices to utilize the Cerritos College App to engage students through online cohorts, interaction features, and app communication (EMP Goal A: Strengthening the culture of completion).
3. Explore strategies to streamline presentation of the graduates during the Commencement Ceremony, to reduce graduates leaving early. (EMP Goal: Org effectiveness).

Minutes

1. Welcome: Introductions & Roll Call

Member Role (*denotes Ex-Officio Member)	23-24 Member	Present - P; Absent - A; Vacant - V
Dean of Student Services	Elizabeth Miller	P
VP of Student Services	Robyn Brammer	P
Coord. of Student Conduct	Cynthia Lavarriere	P
Student Activities Coordinator	Chris Dela Cruz	A
ACCME rep 1	Maria Castro	A
ACCME rep 2	Debra Ward	A
Faculty rep 1 (instructional)	Brooke Hanniff	P
Faculty rep 2 (student services)	Nellie Hernandez-Garcia	A
Confidential Rep	Edith Finney	A
CSEA rep 1	Nikki Jones	P
CSEA rep 2	Maria Isai	P
ASCC Director of Student Services	Airad Reyes	P
ASCC student representative	Matthew Roman	P
Bookstore Manager*	Rosie Alvarez	P
Associate Dean, Student Health*	Hillary Mennella	A
Dean of SAWS, or designee*	Elizabeth Page	P
Chief of Campus Police*	Don Mueller	P
Facilities representative*	Carlos Serna	A
Quorum: Fall – 6; Spring – 9	ATTENDANCE	11

Guests: Robin Taylor, David Rincon

2. 2024-2025 Goal Discussion

- The Committee drafted goals for the following Academic Year:
 - i. Determine a location for the 2026 Commencement ceremony, when the Falcon Stadium is unavailable.
 - ii. Student Housing – if funding, goal related to this group providing feedback on programmatic areas
 - iii. Develop practices to utilize the Cerritos College App to engage students through online cohorts, interaction features, and app communication (EMP Goal A: Strengthening the culture of completion).
 1. Grow number of departments utilizing the app
 - iv. Explore strategies to streamline presentation of the graduates during the Commencement Ceremony, to reduce graduates leaving early. (EMP Goal: Org effectiveness).

- Goals will be finalized at the September 2024 meeting.

3. 2023-2024 SLC Committee Self-Evaluation

- The Committee received information for the annual Shared Governance Committee online self-evaluation survey. The link will be emailed to members. Link to survey: https://cerritosierp.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0VxVbJcD8LbIqCy
 - i. Survey due by May 17.

4. Information & Discussion: 2024 Commencement

- The Committee received updates and provided feedback on Commencement planning
 - i. Grad Fair debrief
 1. Approx. 730 graduating students picked up their tickets. Deadline for tickets to be pick-up is May 10.
 2. Feedback:
 - a. Add more ticket lines to reduce lines and wait. Currently, we have the names divided into three ticket pick-up lines.
 - b. Open doors 30- minutes earlier than what is advertised.
 - c. Schedule the event from 10am-3pm. (After 1pm, the traffic dramatically decreased).
 - ii. Commencement Speaker Update
 1. Dr. Miller provided an update on guest speaker. Guest speaker is no longer available.
 - a. We will move forward with Dr. Fierro and the student speaker.
 2. The committee received an update on the student speaker who has been working with Brooke to prepare for the speech.
 - iii. Commencement Day-of Schedule
 1. Dr. Miller is finalizing the scheduled and work assignments for commencement.
 2. Training sessions currently scheduled for event support (5/13 @ 12pm), faculty (5/14 @ 11am), staff & managers (5/14 @ 12pm)
 3. Graduate Info Sessions on Zoom (May 9 + 10) Registration required.
- Other items from the floor
 - i. Name announcers confirmed.
 - ii. Committee discussed event security measures.
 - iii. David Rincon provided an update on AV and stage needs.
 1. Committee requested for extra speakers and a ramp for the main stage.

5. Information & Discussion: Cerritos College Food Court, Vending, & Bookstore Services

- The committee received updates on this agenda topic, and was given the opportunity to provide feedback on food & vending services.
 - i. Bookstore: EOPS & Basic Needs students are picking up their regalia in store.
 - ii. Frantones: vacating their on-campus location by end of May 2024.
 - iii. Cassidy's Corner: update provided to committee.

6. Announcements

- Commencement Events
 - Graduate Info Session #1 – May 9th at 5pm (Zoom)
 - Graduate Info Session #2 – May 10th at 12pm (Zoom)
 - Student/STH Event Support Training – May 13th at 12pm (Zoom and/or AP 12)
 - Faculty Information Session – May 14th at 11am (Zoom)
 - Staff & Manager Event Support Training – May 14th at 12pm (Zoom and/or AP 12)
 - **Commencement! Friday, May 17, 2024 – 6pm – Falcon Stadium**
- Next Student Life Committee Meeting – Commencement Debrief (June meeting) will be moved June 13th instead of June 6th.

7. Adjourn