

Associated Students of Cerritos College

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

2.25.2026

Senator Vega introduced the following Bill,
Senator Aquino seconded the following Bill.

A BILL

Amendments to ASCC Bylaws: Director of Information Technology and Editing of Director of Academic Affairs SB-2526-22

- Whereas:** The Associated Students of Cerritos College’s (ASCC) Cabinet serves as the executive branch of student government, wherein student leaders are tasked with proactively engaging campus departments, divisions, and administrators to communicate student input, advocate for institutional improvements, and address emerging issues that directly impact the student body; and
- Whereas:** Since the COVID-19 pandemic, Cerritos College has increasingly implemented digital systems, virtual services, and cloud-based platforms as permanent components of academic and operational infrastructure; however, many students are left confused, underinformed, or without clear guidance regarding how to effectively navigate these technologies and understand their academic and ethical implications; and
- Whereas:** Artificial Intelligence (AI) and digital platforms— including tools such as SchedulePlus, ChatGPT, Turnitin, Grammarly, and other emerging technologies—have become integrated into students’ everyday academic experiences; and while students frequently utilize these tools, many lack structured knowledge, formal training, and ethical guidance regarding responsible and transparent use, thereby creating a need for student-led dialogue; and
- Whereas:** Establishing the position of Director of Information Technology would provide ASCC with a direct and consistent link to campus Information Technology and digital services, allowing the organization to address key student concerns such as Wi-Fi reliability, Canvas functionality, printing services, and device access; promote digital equity by advocating for reliable and inclusive access to technological resources; keep the student body informed about software updates, new platforms, and available digital tools; and ensure that students maintain a clear and active voice in institutional technology planning, implementation, and problem-solving efforts; and
- Whereas:** Although the Director of Academic Affairs has originally presided over matters related to Information Technology, the rapid expansion of digital infrastructure, post-pandemic technological integration, and the growing influence of Artificial Intelligence in higher education have significantly broadened the scope and complexity of technology-related

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issues, thereby exceeding the capacity of a single academic-focused portfolio and demonstrating the need for a dedicated Director of Informational Technology to provide focused oversight, advocacy, and strategic leadership; and

Whereas: Creating a Director of Informational Technology would establish a lasting institutional framework within ASCC that builds a foundation for future Cabinets to expand AI literacy, promote ongoing education about emerging technologies, and encourage the ethical, transparent, and creative use of technology in ways that support academic integrity and student innovation; and

Resolved: The ASCC Senate hereby approves the creation and implementation of the position of **Director of Information Technology**, whose duties shall include maintaining a direct channel of communication with the campus Information Technology Division; communicating updates regarding campus technology systems and digital services to the Executive Cabinet; bringing forward student concerns related to technology access, digital platforms, artificial intelligence, and campus technology resources; and supporting the Executive Cabinet in understanding and responsibly navigating the use of artificial intelligence within ASCC operations.

Resolved: The Associated Students of Cerritos College hereby amends the Bylaws of the Associated Students of Cerritos College by adding the following section to Article V, Section 2, Subsection A:

Director of Informational Technology

- a. Maintain a direct channel of communication with the Information Technology Division.
- b. Communicate information regarding campus technology systems, digital services, and technological updates to the Executive Cabinet.
- c. Bring forward student concerns related to technology access, digital platforms, artificial intelligence, and campus technology resources.
- d. Support the Executive Cabinet in understanding and responsibly navigating the use of artificial intelligence within ASCC operations.

Resolved: The Associated Students of Cerritos College hereby amends the Bylaws of the Associated Students of Cerritos College by striking the verbiage “, and Informational Technology” from Article V, Section 2, Subsection A, Subdivision 12, Line 155:

Director of Academic Affairs

- a. Maintain a direct channel of communication with academic departments, Library and Success Center, ~~and Information Technology~~.
- b. Coordinate and promote activities with departments on campus and academic-centered events.

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Amendment History

None.

Final Senate Action

Date of final vote: February 25, 2026

Senators Voting Aye: Ayub, Bennett, Castro, Chamberlain, Chavez, Chung, De Las Alas, Godinez, Haque, Hernandez, Lara, Mateo, Miranda, Montoya, Nieto Mejia, Om, Raya, Rodriguez, Rubianes, Sosa-Diaz, Vega, Villar

Senators Voting Nay: None

Senators Abstaining: None

Vote Count: 22 Aye, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain

Senators Absent (4): Aquino, Biji Jacob, Ruiz, Valdez

Committee Referral

Referred to Committee? No

Presidential Action

Presidential Action: APPROVED

Presidential Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be a stylized name, possibly 'A. Jacob'.

Date: March 2, 2026