

FACULTY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (FPDC) MINUTES

DATE: April 14, 2026

LOCATION: Zoom

CALL TO ORDER: 1:04 p.m.

QUORUM MET: Yes

CHAIR: Crystal LoVetere

PRESENT

Kristine Aslanyan, COUN
Shawna Baskette, Manager
Angela Cho, SEM
Angela Hoppe-Nagao, Guest
Christopher Ingstad, HO
Fernando Jimenez, HSS
Janet Mitchell Lambert, Guest

Crystal LoVetere, Chair
Judy Salas, Confidential
Nishi Shah, LA
Kaitlin Scott, Library
Monique Valencia, CSEA
Christopher Wilson, FAC

ABSENT

Kari Hemmerling, HPEDA
Elizabeth Page, SAS

Sarah Pirtle, CSEA
Frank Vega, TECH

COMMITTEE GOALS:

Goal A: Foster a culture that values and sustains faculty professional development as a central part of institutional success.

Goal B: Improve campus communication to expand awareness of professional development and Flex opportunities, with an emphasis on transparency around policies, procedures, and the recording process.

Goal C: Facilitate professional development opportunities that support faculty growth and align with Cerritos College's educational goals, ultimately enhancing student success.

Goal D: Encourage professional development that deepens equity-minded practices and nurtures a culture of respect in keeping with the college's values of diversity and inclusion.

Goal E: Advocate for the hiring of the full-time replacement position to partner with the CTX Specialist in coordinating and supporting professional development and CTX operations.

Goal F: Increase collaboration with campus experts on innovation initiatives that support and align with the college's institutional goals

AGENDA ITEMS

1. **Approval of the Minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes for March 10, 2026, was made by Kaitlin Scott and seconded by Shawna Baskette. The minutes were approved unanimously.
2. **Recognition of Awardees – Outstanding Contributor to Professional Development Awards:** The committee expressed appreciation to Janet Mitchell Lambert and Angela Hoppe-Nagao for their dedication and commitment to professional development. Members shared positive reflections on their experiences working with each awardee and extended their congratulations and thanks.
3. **Reminders:**
 - a. **RSI Recognition Raffle** (Deadline: May 1, 2026) – Crystal reminded the committee that the purpose of the RSI Recognition Raffle is to provide an engaging incentive and a fun opportunity to recognize and reward faculty for their efforts in completing RSI. She encouraged the committee to remind faculty to submit entries before the deadline for a chance to win a prize.
 - b. **Faculty Luncheon** (Thursday, April 23, 2026) – The committee was reminded to attend the Faculty Luncheon and to encourage colleagues to join in celebrating this year’s special recognitions.
 - c. **Instructor Insights:** There is still space available for full-time faculty to participate in the Instructor Insights training opportunity. Please encourage your colleagues to take advantage of this offer. The deadline to complete all required materials is May 15, 2026.
 - d. **Faculty Reports:** Updated Flex reports will be available by May 1, 2026. Please remind faculty to complete their Flex Obligation by June 30, 2026.
4. **Open Forum/Additional Items:**
 - a. The committee was invited to attend the “Full Use Simulator” Open House on April 21, 2026, at 11:00 am in SS-220.
 - b. Update: The Keenan Workplace Violence training is currently unavailable. Human Resources is working on providing a replacement training.

Next FPDC Meeting: May 12, 2026, at 1:00 PM