

Technology Advisory Committee (SACTAC)

Minutes

August 26, 2026

Members in Attendance: Jennifer Hoeger, Jose Lopez Mercedes, Deanna Jung, Alexander Natale, Kelly Nguyen, Adam Morgan, Marvin Gabut, Christina Wagner, Mark Turner, Jimmy Nguyen, Luis Pedroza, John Steffens, Ron Gonzalves

Guests: Kimberly Perna, Annebelle Nery, Donna Khalid, Krystle Taylor, Andrew Auh, Mark DeAsis, Pilar Traslavina, Michelle Macintyre, Parisa Samaie, Dina Humble

1. Approval of the agenda [action]
 - a. Moved by: Adam Morgan
 - b. Seconded by: Luis Pedroza
 - c. Result: Approved unanimously
2. President's Address [information]
 - a. President Annebelle Nery stated that college-wide technology and software proposals should be vetted through SACTAC before advancing to College Council; department-specific instructional tools generally remain with discipline experts, while recurring concerns or broader impacts may be raised with SACTAC.
 - b. The committee discussed developing an inventory of existing software and tools, requesting presentations from vendors or primary users, and using workgroups or subcommittees when deeper review is needed.
 - c. Discussion also supported improving the review, prioritization, and documentation of technology requests from program review and tracking department-level tools to identify opportunities for consolidation, support, or funding.
3. Approval of the [minutes from May 27](#) [action]
 - a. Moved by: Luis Pedroza
 - b. Seconded by: Jimmy Nguyen
 - c. Result: Approved with three abstentions: Christina Wagner, Adam Morgan, and Jose Lopez Mercedes.
4. Public comment
 - a. No public comment.
5. Recommendation to Establish a Software Evaluation Subcommittee [1st read] (25 mins.)
 - a. The first-read proposal would establish a subcommittee reporting to SACTAC to explore, recommend, and prioritize software; develop evaluation frameworks; review proposals; and gather user feedback.
 - b. The proposed meeting time is the second Thursday of each month from 1:30-3:00 p.m. Discussion addressed review turnaround, counseling and Noncredit representation, and alignment with the spring calendar.

- c. Members do not need to serve on SACTAC and would be appointed by their constituent bodies. Members were asked to consult their constituencies and return with feedback in September; the goal is a September vote and an October start.
- 6. Reports [information]
 - a. ASG (5 mins.)
 - i. No report; an ASG representative had not yet been identified.
 - b. Library (5 mins.)
 - i. The Library reported delays and staff workload from interim student-printing workarounds while the new pay-to-print system and institutional payment gateway await approval and implementation; the target is mid-September.
 - ii. The campus-wide transition will align student printing support with Santiago Canyon College, including a \$2 monthly credit up to \$10 annually for SAC students.
 - c. Noncredit (5 mins.)
 - i. Noncredit has been reorganized into three divisions and three departments to increase faculty representation and dedicated student support; an organizational chart was shared.
 - ii. Staff also reported continued work on website accessibility.
 - d. Student Services (5 mins.)
 - i. Starfish was renewed through 2030. Existing Career Center and orientation platforms are expected to continue, and Student Services is updating its Nuventive assessment-planning components.
 - ii. The district is in the second migration wave from CCCApply to CCCStart, with a tentative January or February 2027 implementation and parallel service during transition. Counseling participation is being sought, and Noncredit will be included as relevant information becomes available.
 - e. Distance Ed. (5 mins.)
 - i. Distance Education is pursuing UDOIT, a Canvas accessibility tool, under the existing Cidi Labs contract and has been testing it with course materials.
 - ii. In response to a question about mathematical graphs and alternative text, Distance Education offered to test representative course content with the tool.
 - f. Student Information Support (5 mins.)
 - i. Work continues on the Snowflake data lake, Power BI licensing, and closer alignment of Canvas and Colleague snapshot timing for internal dashboards.
 - ii. Regroup licensing was expanded for outreach messaging, and updated Nuventive training videos are being prepared for publication.
 - iii. The Starfish workgroup is developing first-generation and first-time student cohorts and alerts; work will proceed more slowly as the Business Systems Analyst that supported the system moved to Admissions and Records.
 - iv. The Ivy + Ocelot integration with Colleague is in testing and implementation is now led by Admissions and Records.
 - v. Data cleanup is underway for 25Live, which will replace Astra for scheduling and event management.

- g. Information Technology Services (5 mins.)
 - i. ITS is implementing the new student-printing system and institutional payment gateway, pending approval and final testing.
 - ii. Classroom audiovisual upgrades at multiple sites are pending Board approval. ITS also discussed computer-replacement scale, costs, and updated district computing and printing standards.
 - iii. Questions about Respondus access on high-school-issued devices for dual-enrollment students should be routed through the Dual Enrollment Office, which is coordinating with partner districts.
 - iv. ITS plans to move instructional computers from generic accounts to individual student logins, with a spring implementation target, to improve the security of academic computing.
- h. Other
 - i. No additional items were raised. The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:40 p.m.