
EVERGREEN VALLEY COLLEGE
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2026

LA-367 AT 3:00 PM [ZOOM OPTION](#)

2025-2026 PDC COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Anali Dimas (Classified/Enrollment Services)	Veronica Santos (Classified/LA)
Bob Lombard (MSE)*	Binh Vo (English/LA) PD Coordinator
Grace Tong (Student Success)*	Kathy Tran (Fiscal/Business Services)
Maria Esperanza Outeiriño-Feijoo (Language Arts)*	Jamison Jossis (Facilities)*
Bobby Seals (SSHAPE/SSHAPE)	Vincent Cabada (Facilities/Administration)*
Mark Gonzales (At-Large/SSHAPE)*	Melody Barta (Business and Workforce)*
	John Stratton (Nursing and Allied Health)*

MINUTES

1. Call to order: 3:38 pm with quorum (Melody 1st to approve Binh as a voting member to achieve quorum), Esperanza 2nd
2. Adoption of agenda: Esperanza 1st, Melody 2nd
3. Approval of Minutes from December 4, 2025: Mark 1st, Esperanza 2nd
4. Public Comments (limited to three minutes): none
5. Action items
 - a. PD [Funding Request Form](#) and Budget: \$7750
 - i. Canceled Request from Melissa-Ann.Nievera-Lozano who's on sabbatical
 - b. Pending Requests and Approvals:
 - i. Lorraine Levy's request now in Concur and her new request: Esperanza 1st, Melody 2nd: approved
 - ii. Janice Assadi: Melody 1st, Mark 2nd: approved
 - iii. Luz Elena Cervantes: Melody 1st, Mark 2nd
 - iv. Maria Antonini de Pino
 - v. Esperanza Maria.Outeirino-Feijoo
 - vi. Juan Antonini de Pino
 - vii. Anita Bowles: Binh will email/follow up
 - c. March PDD Planning:
 - i. How do we navigate: this committee continues to support the online option if we cannot provide meals/breakfast for in-person event.
 - ii. Feedback Form will be finalized and voted on and sent out after our next meeting on February 19, 2026.
6. Discussion items

- a. March and future PDD Lunch Coordinating: kudos to Melody and Esperanza for stepping up to coordinate January PDD lunch. You both did an excellent job!
- b. The Breakout Session Proposal Form has been put together and will be sent out after the committee's approval at the next meeting.
- c. Budget issue:
 - i. Submitting the AURR in an attempt to get more funding for the food:
 - 1. Mark and Melody 100% disagreed about this option.
 - 2. We need help from the administration instead of tapping into the AURR.
- d. March PDD modality: in person (we want the lunch + breakfast) or online
 - i. The committee has reaffirmed this stance, and we need to vote on this at our next meeting.
 - ii. Alternate plans in place, and the PIC will handle this (not us).
- e. Potluck idea: fun but how to make it work? Division meetings potluck = great but how does this work for campus wide
 - i. Health perspective: handling of the food = not supportive of potluck
- f. 3rd idea: ask the AFT to fund this March PDD
 - i. We will need to convince the Executive Board, and given the time constraint, this option is not feasible.
- g. CSCA = can they also join in supporting us with lunch? What about MSE? VPAA Office? Binh will need to follow up and ask.
- h. Who's mandating PDD + Fresh and Natural as our vendor
 - i. In the contract negotiated between the AFT and the District and Senate (number 8 on 10+1)
- i. Andrew Takomoto (Research Analyst) = HR to get data for the COLA; this should not come from us
 - i. Prices go up, the fundings need to go up; Spring online (no food)
 - ii. We are concerned about the bigger PDDs in Fall.
 - iii. Funding should go up as prices should go up (essentials)
- j. Fund raising (4th idea):
 - i. Invite VP Alexander and ask about how do we go about getting the budget.

VPAA needs to fight for a bigger chunk = this is where it happens
 Board: put more classes in person because we have a beautiful campus, but the budget strain remains the same for years.

- k. Binh will follow up on this at the next meeting after checking in with President Lopez, VP Dickerson/Pouncil
- l. Now, work on a survey asking the campus for their sense of lunch or no lunch at PDDs
- m. Reimagining breakout sessions to be more inclusive (hyflex/Zoom option): Regional network untethered event? There is little to no support from the Senate on this matter, so this has been tabled.

- n. Whole-year plan: how are we doing so far?
 - i. Goal 1: Demonstrate a common understanding as to what our committee does for the funding requests
 - ii. Goal 2: Increase the number of workshops for classified members
- o. Academic Senate leadership: reports and feedback
 - i. Approved Committee Report Form (pilot for 1 year) -- by next May
 - ii. [Committee Assessment Form](#)
- p. Still need to update PDC handbook
- 7. Collaborating with SJCC about Funding Budget increase and untethered event
 - a. <https://sjcc.edu/faculty-staff/committees/professional-development-committee/default.aspx>
 - i. This item has been tabled.
 - b. Reviewing data: alignment between staffing and increased COLA
 - i. HR needs to be contacted for this data-set.
 - c. The role of the District Senate
 - i. This discussion needs to include SJCC and the AFT: the real issue is the cost of living has spiked, but the PDC budget has remained the same for the past two+ years.
- 8. Announcements: Next PDC meeting is Thursday, February 19, 2026
 - a. Meetings on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month
- 9. Recognition and Announcements: Mark and other members thanked Binh for PDD work
- 10. Adjournment: Esperanza 1st, Mark 2nd