



*In accordance with California's Code of Regulations, Title 5, ARC's Academic Senate is the organization whose primary function, as the representative of the faculty, is to make recommendations to the administration of a college and to the governing board of a district with respect to academic and professional matters.*

*"Academic and professional matters" means the following policy development and implementation matters:*

- (1) Curriculum, including establishing prerequisites and placing courses within disciplines;*
- (2) degree and certificate requirements;*
- (3) grading policies;*
- (4) educational program development;*
- (5) standards or policies regarding student preparation and success;*
- (6) district and college governance structures, as related to faculty roles;*
- (7) faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes, including self-study and annual reports;*
- (8) policies for faculty professional development activities;*
- (9) processes for program review;*
- (10) processes for institutional planning and budget development; and*
- (11) other academic and professional matters as are mutually agreed upon between the governing board and the academic senate.*

**2/26/2026**

**3:00 P.M., Student Center Board Room**

Meeting ID: 816 8060 2582

[Zoom link](#)

## **American River College Academic Senate Regular Meeting AGENDA**

### **Preliminaries**

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of the [Minutes](#)
4. Introduction of Guests
5. Public Comment Period (3 minutes per speaker)
6. President's Report

### **Consent Item**

7. Approval of [Remote Attendees](#)
8. [New Faculty Learning Community Coordinator Position F26-Sp27](#) job description

### **Decision Items (5-10 minutes maximum per item)**

9. [Critical Hire for Fire Technology Coordinator \(2nd Read\)](#) - (Fire Technology Program, Ken Wong, and Apprenticeship and Public Safety Associate Dean Charissa Gorre)
10. [ARC Distance Education Project Charter \(2nd Read\)](#) - (Distance Education Faculty Coordinator, Pamela Bimbi, and Vice President of Student Services and Equity, VPSSE, Dr. David Miramontes-Quiñones)
11. Centering Faculty Voices on Faculty Hiring Committees [Resolution \(2nd Read\)](#)
12. [Dual Enrollment Faculty Coordinator Position for F26-S28](#) job description (**1st Read**)

### **Reports (5-10 minutes per item)**

13. LRCFT Location Safety Committee - (LRCFT ARC President, Art Jenkins)
14. Council Updates
  - a. Institutional Effectiveness Council (Dr. Connie Ayala)
  - b. Operations Council -
  - c. Student Success Council (Caitlin Zumalt)

### **Discussion (10-15 minutes per item)**

15. ACCJC Midterm Report - (Sociology Professor, Dr. Jeff Sacha, Research Analyst, Dr. Diana Lopez, and Dean of Institutional Effectiveness & Innovation, Dr. Brenda Valles)
16. Report Back (Feedback from College Areas)
  - a. Open Issues from any Previous Agenda Item
17. Report Out (Information from District Meetings and Other Areas)
  - a. District Academic Senate and District Meetings
  - b. Other areas
18. Items from College Areas for Academic Senate Consideration

### **Upcoming Meetings:**

- Board of Trustees Retreat, Feb 27 to 28, District Office Board Room
- ARC Academic Senate Meeting, March 12, 3-5 pm, Student Center Board Room
- District Academic Senate Meeting, March 3, 3-5 pm, District Office Conference Room