SAN DIEGO COLLEGE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION

Professional Development Committee

MINUTES - Monday, September 14, 2026 **2:00 –3:00 PM** **Zoom virtual meeting**

Members Present:	Carla Grossini-Concha, Cat Prindle, Denise Munoz, Diana Vera-Alba, Esteban Alvarado, Floreniza (Carla) Yumul, Mark Nesbit (Proxy for VP Sabanos), Jessica Luedtke, Lily Gonzalez, Michele Madrid-Novak, Tammy Krasne, Veleka Iwuaba
Not Present:	Maureen Rubalcaba, Patty Lopez, Megan Leppert
AGENDA	
1. Call to Order 2:00 PM	
2. Action Items	
2.1 Approval of Agenda	
CONCLUSION	Motion to approve by Michele, seconded by Esteban– agenda approved
2.2 Approval of 5/11/2026 PD Committee Meeting Minutes	
CONCLUSION	Motion to approve by Veleka, seconded by Esteban
3. Information/Discussion Item(s)	
3.1 Welcome and Opening Circle	
INFORMATION	Carla G. kicked off the meeting with an opening question; everyone in the group shared a workshop or professional development opportunity that has shifted their perspective.
3.2 Convocation & Flex Days Review	
INFORMATION	Carla G. reviewed observations and feedback from Fall 2026 Convocation and Fall Flex, including the Restorative Community Circles led by Nina Harris and Duke Fisher, which engaged more than 370 participants. Committee members shared positive feedback and identified challenges related to limited time, space, noise, and opportunities to participate in multiple program meetings. Fall Flex offered fewer professional development sessions than the previous year, with an emphasis on quality and impactful programming, including sessions led by college colleagues and six sessions facilitated by Optum on topics such as workplace diversity, navigating challenging conversations, and stress management. The committee also discussed recommendations for future activities and programming for classified professionals.
3.3 Harbor View Renaming Restorative Circles, Diversity Coordinator Update	
INFORMATION	Esteban A. provided an overview of the ongoing Harbor View restorative renaming process, which was initiated in Spring 2026 and is incorporating a restorative approach to meaningfully engage the college community. The process began with renaming circles led by Nina Harris and Duke Fisher, with support from members of the Restorative Practices Initiative cohort who were trained in community-building circles and adapting restorative practices to support the renaming process. Renaming circles will continue throughout the semester, both in person and via Zoom, providing opportunities for community members to participate. The Harbor View Restorative Renaming Circles will be hosted on the following days and locations: • Tuesday, September 22nd | 9:00 - 11:00 am | Harbor View Multipurpose Room 101 • Tuesday, September 22nd | 12:30 - 2:30 pm | Harbor View Multipurpose Room 101 • Tuesday, September 29th | 12:30 - 2:30 pm | Mid City 203 • Tuesday, September 29th | 3:30 - 5:30 pm | Mid City 203 • Monday, October 5th | 5:00 - 7:00 pm | Zoom • Thursday, October 8th | 5:00 - 7:00 pm | Zoom
3.4 Passport to Success	
INFORMATION	Veleka reviewed plans for the mentorship program kickoff scheduled for October 9th at CE Mesa. Approximately 50 mentees are expected to participate, and additional mentors will be needed to support the program.
3.5 NANDI Conference	
INFORMATION	Carla G. shared that the NANDI 2026 Conference is happening and CE is sponsoring 10 employees to attend and provided the details of the event and deadlines to express interest.
3.6 Vision Resource Center Regional Training – November 4th	

INFORMATION	Carla G. announced the Vision Resource Center Regional Training at CE on November 4th, details for location and time are forthcoming.
3.7 Professional Learning & Development in 2026-2027	
INFORMATION	This was tabled for the next meeting due to time constraints.
4. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM	
Next Meeting: Fall – October 12, 2026 at 2:00 – 3:00 PM	

Minutes submitted by: Liza Blevins **Minutes approved:** The Committee 10/12/2026