



Distance Learning Committee

College of the Siskiyous, 800 College Avenue, Weed, CA 96094

DISTANCE LEARNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, April 23, 2026

1:00 – 2:00 pm, LS 108

Members Present: Maria Elena Fernandez, Elizabeth Carlyle, Carly Zeller, Alison Varty, Jude Baldwin, Anne-Marie Kuhlemann, Kirk Thomsen

Meeting start: 1:00 pm

A. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. None.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Review and approve minutes from Feb. 5, 2026. Thomsen moved to approve/Varty seconded. Motion carried.

C. COMMITTEE ITEMS

1. Action Items
 - i. Approve AY 26-27 meeting frequency, dates, and times Thomsen moved/Varty second. Committee discussed meeting 2x a month, 1st and 3rd Thursday @1:00 pm. Motion carries. Will revisit in the fall.
 - ii. Approve Distance Learning Committee Information Items for Senate review and approval. Baldwin moved/Thomsen second. Fernandez presented draft of items for review specific to the updated 2027 Online Course Design Rubric. Committee discussed a shortened version. Fernandez to share at an upcoming Senate meeting. Motion carries.
 - iii. Standing Approval Item
 - a. Individual DE Recert Hours proposals – none to approve.
2. Discussion
 - i. Committee Check in: Discussed possible Instructional flex opportunities: Universal Access Bot workshop. Backward Design mapping. Instructor ethics around AI. Rethinking Assessment in the Age of AI. Jude mentioned Library collection clean-up as another option.
3. Other
 - i. Other items from the committee: None discussed.

D. CLOSED SESSION

1. None

E. ADJOURNMENT

1. 2:00 pm

Name	Attendance
Maria Elena Fernandez	☒
Carly Zeller	☒
Jude Baldwin	☒
Elizabeth Carlyle	☒
Kirk Thomsen	☒
Alison Varty	☒
Anne-Marie Kuhlemann (NV)	☒