

Crafton Hills College

Crafton Council

Minutes

Date: February 24, 2026
Time: 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Location: CCR 233

Members:
 Kevin Horan, Chair
 Kristen Clements, AS VP Outreach=**A**
 Natalie Lopez, Academic Senate-
 President
 Chris Olivera, AS VP Support=**A**
 Karen Peterson, Classified Senate
 President
 Jared Shaw, Student Senate President=**A**

Delmy Spencer, VPSS
 Gio Sosa, Dean IERP
 Mike Strong, VPAS
 Diana Vaichis, CSEA Rep
 Keith Wurtz, VPI=**A**
 Meridyth McLaren, CTA Rep=**A**
 Sara Butler, guest

Quorum=yes

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	FURTHER ACTION
Review and approve minutes from 02-10-26	The minutes from February 10, 2026, were approved as written. Motion for approval made by Karen, seconded by Natalie. No opposition. No abstentions. Motion approved.	
Recap of Opening Day Data from Climate Survey and results from Opening Day Exercise – Gio and Sara	<p>We took the initial Climate Survey FA23 findings and determined that three areas of focus showed less than positive feedback. The three areas of focus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhancing Communications Across Campus • Mental Health and Well-Being • Planning and Program review annual prioritization process (how items submitted are getting funded) <p>We did a group activity during Spring 2026 All Campus meeting reflecting on how to better support students and the campus community. Each table had a different set of questions, but all groups participated in the Closing Reflection. Sara took all the written responses, transcribed them and five common themes were identified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Engagement and Support Enhancing student participation, belonging, academic success, focus groups to further engage students. • Access and Inclusion Access to classes, support services and opportunities, health and wellness, childcare, public transportation • Decision Making and Transparency Improving communication, accountability and inclusive decision making, clear policies and how governance aligns with institutional goals. • Community and Outreach 	

	<p>Strengthen relationships with local stakeholders while showcasing campus programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professional Development and Resource Needs <p>Improving access to materials, equipment and faculty training.</p> <p>Next steps include sharing the information with the Educational Master Plan Committee to identify ways of incorporating our work into Strategic Directions and Key Results.</p> <p>The results from the FA25 Campus Climate Survey will be available in the next few weeks. We will take the results from the FA23 Campus Survey, the themes from the All-Campus meeting activity and compare them with the results from the FA25 Campus Climate Survey to see what changes have occurred so we can increase our awareness of successes and identify where we have room to grow.</p>	
Adoption of Accessibility Agenda/Minutes Template – Keith	Keith was unable to attend today so we will table this for Action to our next meeting. Kevin stated that Title 2 Compliance with Accessibility Standards needs to be addressed. Keith and the IEAOC created a template for meeting minutes and agendas and will be taking this to all the senates and committees to show what changes need to be made.	Put on 03-10-26 agenda
Standing Agenda Item: ERP & Software Centralization Updates	Mike is the lead person for CHC. He stated that two kickoff meetings have occurred. Luke Bixler is leading for the district. We will need engagement from all three sites. The timeline is 3 years start to finish. We need to get people on board to identify business processes and gaps and have the leadership to guide the action items and timeline. Mike asked that each committee member of Crafton Council help with engagement with their constituency groups. This group has scheduled meetings with all the senates and will be attending Crafton Council on 03-24-26. Mike wants to go with Luke to all these meetings to show our partnership and commitment.	
Committee Reports (monthly)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget Committee - Mike 	No report.	Report on the 4th Tuesday each month
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educational Master Plan - Gio 	We will be reviewing updates for Strategic Direction 4 today.	Report on the 4th Tuesday each month
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrollment Strategies - Keith 	No report.	Report on the 4th Tuesday each month

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IEAOC - Keith 	No report.	Report on the 4th Tuesday
Public Comments	None.	
Announcements (All)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike gave an update on the Public Arts Taskforce. They had an open forum on 02-11-26, 25 people attended the zoom meeting, went into break out rooms, discussed several questions. Received great feedback. The information is being summarized now and will review at the taskforce next meeting. • One Book One College has two events coming up. A zoom meeting before Spring break with the Honors students and a big wrap up event where we hope to include members of the football team from California School for the Deaf Riverside. Nominations have been received for the selection of next year's book. The committee will be reviewing soon. • Library in partnership with the STEM Center) will have a display for Women's History Month in March. • Tutoring Center will be losing 14 tutors as college university acceptance letters are coming out. They will be doing a big recruitment. • Closing ceremony for Black History month will be on Thursday. • Lunar event held earlier today was great!! 	
Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. CCR 233	Meeting adjourned at 1:29 p.m.	

Mission Statement: The Crafton Hills College mission is to change lives. We seek to inspire our students, support our colleagues, and embrace our community through a learning environment that is transformational. Crafton Hills College welcomes everyone and is committed to working with students from diverse backgrounds. The College has an exceptional learning environment built on a tradition of excellence, a talented faculty, a driven student body, a committed staff, with passionate leadership and community support.

Vision Statement: To empower the people who study here, the people who work here, and the people who live in our community through education, engagement and innovation.

Institutional Values: We rely on the following values to support our vision and mission:

Respect: To champion active listening and open dialogue within our community.

Integrity: To uphold honesty in our interactions and academic pursuits and maintain community collaboration.

Diversity & Inclusion: To promote a welcoming environment through equitable and antiracist practices in all aspects of our work.

Innovation: To actively grow and adapt to support our mission and vision through a willingness to embrace new perspectives and new ideas.

Leadership: To develop and inspire current and future leaders through professional development, mentorship, education, and experience.

Sustainability: To be a leader in our community by reducing environmental impact with practices that meet the needs of the present without compromising the future.