



ALAMO  
COLLEGES  
DISTRICT

## **FACULTY SENATE**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 2026  
10:00 AM**

**ALAMO COLLEGES DISTRICT  
Dr. Bruce H. Leslie Boardroom  
2222 N. Alamo St.  
San Antonio, TX 78215**

## **AGENDA**

1. Introduction of Membership led by Chancellor
2. Review Faculty Senate Charter
3. Process of Appointment of Presiding Officer, Associate Presiding Officer and Secretary from Senate Membership
4. Confirm Meeting Dates and Time
5. Setting Next Meeting

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ALAMO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT WEBSITE  
<https://www.alamo.edu/about-us/leadership/board-of-trustees/board-meetings/>  
<https://www.alamo.edu/about-us/leadership/shared-governance/faculty-senate/>  
3:00 PM ON THIS 23rd DAY OF JANUARY 2026

## Charter of the Alamo Colleges District Faculty Senate

### Article I: Name

The name of this body shall be the **Alamo Colleges District Faculty Senate** (hereafter referred to as “Faculty Senate”).

### Article II: Purpose

The Faculty Senate is established as the **single formal advisory body** representing the collective faculty of the Alamo Colleges District. Its purpose is to:

- Advise the Chancellor and institutional leadership on academic and professional matters.
- Promote shared governance in accordance with **Texas Education Code § 51.3522** and **§ 51.3523**.
- Ensure faculty perspectives are considered in institutional decision-making.

### Article III: Authority and Limitations

- The Faculty Senate is **advisory only** and shall not exercise final decision-making authority.
- It may not use institutional seals, trademarks, or resources unless directly related to its advisory role.
- It operates under the authority of the **Board of Trustees**, which retains final institutional responsibility.

### Article IV: Membership

#### 1. Composition:

- Each of the five colleges shall have:
  - **1 Chancellor-appointed member** (after consultation with the college president).
  - **6 elected full-time faculty members**, as designated by the Chancellor.

#### 2. Eligibility:

- Members must be **full-time, regular-status faculty** in good standing.

### 3. Elections:

- Conducted per college.
- All full-time faculty are eligible to vote and nominate.
- The top vote-getters, up to the number designated, will be elected.

### 4. Terms:

- **Appointed members:** Up to six (6) consecutive one-year terms; reappointment allowed after a two-year break.
- **Elected members:** Two-year staggered terms; re-election allowed after a two-year break.

## Article V: Officers

### 1. Officers:

- Presiding Officer
- Associate Presiding Officer
- Secretary

### 2. Appointment:

- Officers are appointed by the Chancellor from among Senate members.

### 3. Terms:

- One-year terms; renewable at the Chancellor's discretion.

### 4. Removal:

- Members may be removed for cause upon recommendation by the Vice Chancellor for Academic Success and approval by the Chancellor.

## Article VI: Meetings

1. Meetings are **open to the public** and must be **streamed**.
2. The Chancellor may prescribe meeting procedures.
3. A **quorum** is defined by the Senate; however, **no vote is valid unless at least 50% of members are present**.

4. **Meeting notices and agendas** must be posted on the college website at least **seven (7) calendar days** in advance.
5. **Attendance must be recorded** for meetings involving votes of no confidence.

#### **Article VII: Governance and Transparency**

- The Faculty Senate shall operate under a **shared governance model**.
- It shall define its own internal procedures consistent with this Charter and Board Policy B.2.2.

#### **Article VIII: Meeting Decorum**

To ensure respectful, productive, and transparent deliberations, the Faculty Senate shall adhere to the following standards of meeting decorum:

##### **1. Respectful Conduct**

All members shall engage in civil discourse, listen actively, and treat one another with professionalism and respect, regardless of differing viewpoints.

##### **1. Speaking Protocol**

Members shall seek recognition from the Presiding Officer before speaking. Interruptions, side conversations, and disruptive behavior are prohibited.

##### **1. Time Management**

Agendas shall include time allocations for each item. The Presiding Officer may enforce time limits to ensure all items are addressed efficiently.

##### **1. Consensus**

Consensus shall be guided by principles of shared governance and is encouraged; however, the Faculty Senate is **advisory only** and shall not exercise final decision-making authority.

##### **1. Conflict of Interest**

Members shall disclose any conflicts of interest prior to discussion or voting on related matters.

##### **1. Recording and Documentation**

Minutes shall reflect key discussions, decisions, and votes. Members shall refrain from recording meetings unless authorized by the Presiding Officer.

## **1. Public Engagement**

While meetings are open to the public, only Senate members may participate in deliberations.