

I am Diana Tedone-Goldstone, I served as Academic Senate Vice President (2017-2019) and Academic Senate President (2019-2021). Teresa Morris , who served as curriculum chair, 2011 - 2021 and Academic Senate co-president 2021-2022 at CSM, and I are librarians. We are attending the Cañada senate meeting on Thursday and attended CSM's senate meeting this last Tuesday to present this statement in response to public comments made at the District Senate meeting in September 2022.

A statement was made about senate leadership and the ability of counselors and librarians to serve in senate leadership on behalf of all faculty. Specifically called into question was the ability to serve as academic senate president. We are both disappointed and disturbed by this statement. Librarians as a discipline and a profession that vigorously interacts with the whole campus. It is essential to know, collaborate with, support and engage all faculty to be able to do our jobs. To say that we "cannot properly represent or understand the needs" of our fellow faculty is wrong and frankly insulting.

The full minutes of the September 2022 District Senate meeting are posted and available online. I will put the direct link in the chat box.

We are concerned that this statement represents an ongoing ignorance about the variety of faculty work, the nature of leadership and a growing trend to devalue the work of "non-instructional" faculty.

We are asking for this to be placed on the January 2023 Academic Senate agenda as a discussion item at CSM and Cañada.

### [DAS minutes September 12, 2022](#)

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