

Orange County Regional Consortium

College Resource Leadership Council Business Meeting

Approved Full Discussion Minutes: August 20, 2026

Zoom Video-Call Details

Orange County Regional Consortium is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: August 2026 OCRC Program Recommendation Meeting
Time: August 20, 2026 9:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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Voting Members present:

- Andrea Gallyon, Coastline College (Alternate)
 - Marbelly Jairam, Cypress College (Alternate)
 - Ken Starkman, Fullerton College
 - Dorsie Brooks, Golden West College
 - Debbie Vanschoelandt, Irvine Valley College
- Kim Tang, North Orange Continuing Ed
 - Larissa Nazarenko, Orange Coast College
 - Kari Irwin, Saddleback College
 - Anthony Pagan, Santa Ana College
 - Denise Foley, Santiago Canyon College

- I. *Call to Order – Meeting called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Mr. Ken Starkman, CRLC and Dean Resource Associate, OCRC*
- II. *CRLC Member Roll Call – Ms. Maria Lepe, OCRC Interim Director, Special Programs, conducted the roll call, and quorum for voting members was confirmed.*

III. June 2026 CRLC Business Meeting Full Discussion Minutes were Approved

- **Motion:** Kari Irwin, Saddleback College; **Second:** Dorsie Brooks, Golden West College; **APPROVED**
 - **Abstentions:** Larissa Nazarenko, Orange Coast College; Dorsie Brooks, Golden West College; Andrea Gallyon, Coastline College; Marbelly Jairam, Cypress College.

IV. Informational Items

- a. Program Data Requests *None submitted for this month*

V. Action Items

Mr. Ken Starkman, CRLC and Dean Resource Associate, OCRC

- a. Program Recommendation: **Motion:** Debbie Vanschoelandt, Irvine Valley College; **Second:** Anthony Pagan, Santa Ana College; **Recommended: YES**
***Type of LMI Endorsement:** A=All Endorsed; S= Some Endorsed; C=Caution Advised

Program Title	Program Award Type	TOP Code	CIP Code	SOC Code	College	Contact	*Type of LMI Endorsement	LMI Criteria			Emerging
								Supply Gap	Wages	Education	
1. Construction Administrative Assistant Certificate	Certificate	0952.00	52.0401	43-6014	Fullerton College	Ken Starkman kstarkman@fullcoll.edu	C	✓		✓	
2. Construction Management Certificate	Certificate	0957.00	46.0412	47-1011	Fullerton College	Ken Starkman kstarkman@fullcoll.edu	A	✓	✓	✓	
3. Facility Maintenance Technician Certificate	Certificate	0952.00	46.0401	49-9071	Fullerton College	Ken Starkman kstarkman@fullcoll.edu	C	✓		✓	
4. Facilities Management Associate in Science Degree	A.S. Degree	0957.00	46.0412	11-3013 47-1011	Fullerton College	Ken Starkman kstarkman@fullcoll.edu	A	✓	✓	✓	
5. Facilities Management Certificate	Certificate	0957.00	46.0412	11-3013 47-1011	Fullerton College	Ken Starkman kstarkman@fullcoll.edu	A	✓	✓	✓	
6. Residential Construction Technician Certificate	Certificate	0952.00	46.0401	49-9071	Fullerton College	Ken Starkman kstarkman@fullcoll.edu	C	✓		✓	
7. Community Music Teaching CoA	Certificate	0899.00	13.9999	25-3021 25-3099	Saddleback College	Kari Irwin kirwin@saddleback.edu	C	✓			
8. Vocational Nursing	Certificate	123020	51.3901	29-2061	Saddleback College	Kari Irwin kirwin@saddleback.edu	A	✓	✓	✓	

Larissa Nazarenko requested additional information regarding the Community Music Teaching Program. Brandon Elliott explained that the program was developed in response to regional employer needs for teaching artists and non-credentialed music educators who possess both musical expertise and pedagogical skills. The proposed certificate incorporates existing music courses along with three core components focused on: individual teaching methodology, group instruction methodology, and career/business skills for private or nonprofit music instruction. The curriculum also emphasizes cultural awareness and effective instruction for students from diverse socioeconomic backgrounds. The group also discussed the program’s coding structure. Kari Irwin noted challenges in identifying an appropriate classification due to inconsistencies between applicable codes. After consultation and review, the program was placed under “Education, Other,” although the classification is not considered an ideal fit.

b.

Modified Programs
**Informational*

- a. [Construction Estimating Skills Certificate](#), Fullerton College
- b. [Construction Inspection Associate in Science](#), Fullerton College
- c. [Construction Inspection Certificate](#), Fullerton College
- d. [Construction Management Associate in Science Degree](#), Fullerton College
- e. [Construction Technology Associate in Science](#), Fullerton College
- f. [Construction Technology Certificate](#), Fullerton College

VI.

Update, Discussion, and/or Action Item

a.

Title V Curriculum

Mr. Ken Starkman, CRLC and Dean Resource Associate, OCRC

- a. Ken Starkman shared recent Title V curriculum updates issued by the state, including guidance related to CalGETC and Credit for Prior Learning (CPL). He specifically highlighted updates regarding the relationship between CPL and articulation and encouraged those involved in CTE to review the new guidance. Questions may be directed to Ferdie Santos.

b.

Regional SWP Update

Dr. Michael Sacoto, OCRC Interim Executive Director

- a. Michael Sacoto provided several OCRC updates. Project leads for the 2026–2028 Regional Strong Workforce Projects were reminded to submit required Excel information sheets by September 30 to allow sufficient time for entry into NOVA ahead of the Chancellor’s Office deadline. He also shared that a Round 2 application for 2026–2028 Regional Strong Workforce funding would be released shortly, with revised application guidance and an updated timeline. Previously unfunded projects were encouraged to revise and resubmit, and Round 2 applications are due October 2. An update was provided on the \$15 million statewide backfill. Approximately 40% is expected to support regional Strong Workforce funding, with Orange County potentially receiving an additional estimated \$400,000, bringing available Round 2 reallocation funding to slightly over \$1 million once confirmed. Michael also reminded members of the September 17 Program Recommendation Meeting, followed by a virtual K-12 Strong Workforce meeting with regional breakout sessions to support collaboration between community colleges and K-12 partners. Lastly, he shared that the OCRC bylaws are undergoing executive review. A revised version is expected to be distributed at the September 17 meeting for member review and feedback, with anticipated Governance Council approval on November 12.

c. **COE Update**

Dr. Jesse Crete, OC COE Director

- a. Jesse Crete welcomed Anna-Lena, the new Research Coordinator, and shared that she is leading the Emerging Technology series. Jesse also acknowledged Jenica Power’s contributions to the team, particularly her work on LMAs and exploratory labor market analyses, as she prepares to transition to a new opportunity. Jesse reviewed the BDP process and timeline and reminded members that requests intended for the January 15 application deadline must be submitted by August 31. She emphasized that the process requires sufficient time for research, coding review, coordination with colleges, and the OCRC recommendation process. She also reported an increase in LMA requests and reminded members that requests connected to a new program approval should be submitted under the “new program” category. Exploratory requests and program reviews do not include all components required for an OCRC program recommendation and may result in delays if submitted incorrectly. Jesse provided an update on TOP, CIP, and SOC code alignment and noted that updated codes are expected to be available in COCI on September 15. She encouraged members to closely review the revised code crosswalks and federal definitions when selecting codes, noting that CIP and SOC definitions are federally established and cannot be modified by the COE. She also shared plans to offer a future webinar on the TOP-CIP-SOC alignment process and available tools. The deans also discussed challenges related to federal financial aid and ACCJC documentation requirements, including requests for SOC codes and alignment between COCI and ACCJC records. Members shared recent experiences and offered support to colleges navigating similar requirements.

VII. **College Updates**

- a. **Coastline:** Andrea Gallyon shared an update on the newly awarded Align AI regional project. She noted that the project budget was reduced and that she will be reaching out to project partners to revise their individual budgets. Updated budget information will need to be submitted to Michael by September 30.
- b. **Cypress:** Marbelly Jairam shared that a Transfer, Pre-Graduation, and Job Fair is planned for October. She plans to invite regional college partners with bachelor’s degree programs to participate and will share additional information as it becomes available. She noted that the event may also provide an opportunity to strengthen transfer partnerships.
- c. **Fullerton:** Ken Starkman shared that Fullerton College has appointed Carlos Ayon as the new Vice President of Instruction. Carlos has previously served as an alternate member and has participated in regional efforts for several years. Ken noted his continued support of CTE at Fullerton College.
- d. **NOCE:** Kim Tang shared that the Google IT Pre-Apprenticeship Program is being renewed and that she is seeking partners interested in establishing linkage agreements. She noted that initial conversations have taken place with potential partners, with additional opportunities possibly developing later in the fall.
- e. **Orange Coast:** Larissa Nazarenko shared that Angelo Esposito has joined as Interim Dean of Industrial Technology and will gradually assume her responsibilities through the end of September. She noted that his background is in engineering and engineering technology. Larissa also shared that the college has a new Vice President of Administrative Services and is in the process of hiring a Director of Grants and Regional Projects. In addition, she highlighted the recent Navigate OCC event, which welcomed incoming students to campus ahead of the start of the new term.
- f. **Saddleback:** Kari Irwin shared that Saddleback College began classes on Monday and is off to a strong start to the semester. She also thanked Rebecca for serving as the alternate and noted that they are both getting up to speed on current OCRC activities.
- g. **Santa Ana:** Matthew Morin shared that Anthony Pagán will serve as the voting member for the current year, with Matthew serving in an alternate role. He also noted that the college is in the process of hiring a permanent Dean of Human Services and Technology. Anthony Pagán shared that the college is in its first week of the semester and is hosting the CAP Discovery Fest on campus. The event provides students with an opportunity to connect with faculty and learn more about available programs and career and academic pathways.
- h. **Santiago Canyon:** Denise Foley shared that Aaron Volker is serving as Interim Vice President of Academic Affairs and Enrique Perez continues to serve as Acting President. She noted that classes began on Monday and the college welcomed students back with several campus activities. Denise also shared that major construction at the front of campus has been completed after approximately 18 months. The main entrance and parking areas have reopened, improving access across campus.

VIII. **Approval of Action Item Minutes**

- a. **Motion to approve August 20, 2026, action item minutes. Motion** Dorsie Brooks, Golden West College; **Second:** Marbelly Jairam, Cypress College; **APPROVED**
- b. **Adjourn**

The next **Orange County CRLC Meeting** will be on **September 17, 2026**, from 9:00 – 10:00 A.M.