SACCR 2026 – Bridges to the Future

AGENDA AT A GLANCE

Sunday, September 13	Monday, September 14	Tuesday, September 15	Wednesday, September 16
4:00 – 6:00 PM Executive Board Meeting	8:00 AM – 3:00 PM Registration 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Pre-Conference Sessions 12:00 – 1:00 PM Lunch 4:00 – 5:00 PM Opening Session Dr. Vicky Wood Trident Technical College President Tripp Hays Explore Charleston Destination Services Manager 5:00 – 7:00 PM Welcome Reception	8:00 AM – 2:00 PM Registration 8:00 – 9:00 AM Breakfast 9:00 – 10:00 AM General Session Dr. Amanda Bickerstaff AI for Education 10:10 – 10:55 AM Concurrent Sessions 1 11:05-11:50 AM Concurrent Sessions 2 12:00 – 12:30 PM Lunch 12:30 – 1:15 PM General Session Dr. Kristin Brooks Complete College America 1:30 – 2:15 PM Concurrent Sessions 3 2:25 – 3:10 PM Concurrent Sessions 4 3:20 – 4:05 PM Concurrent Sessions 5	8:00 – 8:45 AM Breakfast, Business Meeting & Raffle 8:00 – 8:45 AM Presidents' Breakfast with Dr. Stephen Pruitt SACSCOC President 9:00 – 9:45 AM Concurrent Sessions 5 10:00 – 10:45 AM Closing Keynote Dr. Stephen Pruitt SACSCOC President Lunch on Your Own 1:00 – 3:00 PM Executive Board Meeting

As of 9.8.2026

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Date	Time		Topic	Presenter	Location	
Tuesday	10:10-10:55 AM	1.1	Telling Your Institution's Story	Dr. Godfrey Fuji Noe	Rutledge Room	1
	10:10-10:55 AM	1.2	What's New In Substantive Change?	Dr. Michelle Madden	Poinsette Room	2
	10:10-10:55 AM	1.3	AI Literacy You Can SEE	Dr. Amanda Bickerstaff	Gold Ballroom	3
	10:10-10:55 AM	1.4	A Tried-and-True Method for Demonstrating Sufficient Full-Time Program Faculty (6.2.b/20)	Dr. Daniel Mynatt	Pinckney Room	4
Tuesday	11:05-11:50 AM	2.1	Below the Line: Characteristics of Programs that Do Not Meet the New Federal Financial Loan Aid Eligibility Requirements	Dr. Godfrey Fuji Noe	Poinsette Room	5
	11:05-11:50 AM	2.2	From Partnership to Impact: Leveraging Community Partnerships to Fund, Implement, and Evaluate Community College Initiatives	Dr. Lauren Hopkins	Rutledge Room	6
	11:05-11:50 AM	2.3	AI Literacy You Can SEE	Dr. Amanda Bickerstaff	Gold Ballroom	7
	11:05-11:50 AM	2.4	A Consultant’s Perspective on the Proposed Principles of Accreditation	Dr. Douglas Wymer	Pinckney Room	8
	11:05-11:50 AM	2.5	From Data to Decisions: A Case Study in Gateway Math Redesign	Mr. Steven Studdard	Colonial Ballroom	9

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Tuesday	1:30-2:15 PM	3.1	Dynamic Career Pathways: Using Real Resume Data to Reveal How Careers Actually Move	Dr. Chris Chmura	Gold Ballroom	10
	1:30-2:15 PM	3.2	From Partnership to Impact: Leveraging Community Partnerships to Fund, Implement, and Evaluate Community College Initiatives	Dr. Lauren Hopkins	Rutledge Room	11
	1:30-2:15 PM	3.3	Beyond the Hype: Practical AI for Institutional Research and Effectiveness	Dr. Dani Walker & Dr. Steve Cox	Poinsette Room	12
	1:30-2:15 PM	3.4	Strengthening Academic Planning Through Student Feedback	Mr. Francois Beneteau	Pinckney Room	13
Tuesday	2:25-3:10 PM	4.1	From Compliance to Continuous Improvement: A Practical Tool for Strengthening Accreditation Practice	Dr. Megan Bange	Poinsette Room	14
	2:25-3:10 PM	4.2	Integrating AI into Teaching and Learning	Mrs. Sha'Kia Riggins	Rutledge Room	15
	2:25-3:10 PM	4.3	Why 70% of Higher Ed Initiatives Fail (and How to Ensure Yours Won't)	Mr. Noah Churchill, Ms. Nina Faix	Pinckney Room	16
	2:25-3:10 PM	4.4	From Fall to Spring: Using Persistence Data and AI-Assisted Analysis to Drive Student Success	Ms. Mandy Session	Gold Ballroom	17
Tuesday	3:20-4:05 PM	5.1	Sparking a Grants Culture on Campus	Ms. Jennifer Peacock	Gold Ballroom	18
	3:20-4:05 PM	5.2	Ad Astra - To be announced	Ad Astra	Rutledge Room	19
	3:20-4:05 PM	5.3	Approaching SACSCOC Section 8.2 with Confidence	Dr. Amanda Bylczynski	Poinsette Room	20
	3:20-4:05 PM	5.4	Publishing in the Community College Review	Dr. Duane Akroyd	Pinckney Room	21

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Wednesday	9:00-9:45 AM	6.1	Beyond Outcomes and Accreditation: Leveraging NCCBP Reports for Better Institutional Decisions	Ms. Michelle Taylor	Gold Ballroom	22
	9:00-9:45 AM	6.2	Bridging Data to Workforce: Turning Institutional Research into Real-World Impact	Dr. Jessie Lynn Nichols	Poinsette Room	23
	9:00-9:45 AM	6.3	Bridging Data to Action: Translating Predictive Student Success Insights into Institutional Outcomes	Ms. Emily Kelleher	Rutledge Room	24
	9:00-9:45 AM	6.4	Harnessing Analytics to Drive Student-Centric Academic Operations	Ms. Lindsey Ohls	Pinckney Room	25