

ASCSM Student Senate Minutes (Approved)

Monday, August 22, 2011

2:15 p.m.

College of San Mateo, College Center, Colledge Heights Conference Room (Building 10, Room 468)

- I. The meeting was called to order at 2:18pm**

- II. Roll Call**

Members in Attendance: President Paige Kupperberg; Vice President Daniella Medeiro; Secretary Regina Ramos; Finance Director Nioratra Benyasri; Vice Chair Hayley Sharpe; Senators Paula Alunni, Losili Alusa, Kat Alvarado, Nicholas Carlozzi, Julie Anne Crews, Shine Gao, Bailey Girard, Niko Larot, Melanie Medeiro, Carlos Mesquita, Michael Norton, Allie Patawaran, Matt Schmeeckle, Jeff Stanley, and Emmeline Wong.

Members Absent: Senators Brittany Arthur and Epine Siaopo.

Associate Senators in Attendance: Sashka Leahy, Tryn Miller, and Nick Vasquez.

Guests in Attendance: Grace Noland, Can (John) Kilie, Raphael Bernabe, Ashley Manandhar, Samuel Rodriguez, Stephanie Chiou, Carmela Liao, Maria Carmela Mercado, and Nicole Ramos.

- III. Approval of the Agenda**

Motion to approve the Agenda as presented by Senator Shmeeckle; second by Vice Chair Sharpe. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

- IV. Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)**
 - a. Monday, August 8, 2011
Motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, August 22, 2011 meeting as presented by Senator Girard; seconded by Senator Sharpe. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

- V. Announcements & Hearing of the Public**

Student Trustee Jointer welcomed everyone to a new semester and hoped that everybody had a good summer vacation. He also mentioned that he was the former Vice Chair and it was the best job in the world. He also came to the meeting to introduce himself as the new Student Trustee and to contact him with any concerns that needs to be addressed by the Board of Trustees.

- VI. Special Presentations**

None

- VII. Executive Reports**
 - a. **President Paige Kupperberg** mentioned that the executive report is her least favorite part of the Senate Meeting. She also welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the semester and is super excited to work with everybody.
 - b. **Vice President Daniella Medeiro** welcomed everyone to the fall semester and is happy to see new faces in the room that are interested in joining ASCSM. Vice President Medeiro also quoted one of her professors saying, "to succeed, you need to read." She also encouraged the Student Senate to help out during Welcome Week.

- c. **Secretary Regina Ramos** welcomed everyone back to school and also reminded the Student Senate to sign up on the Welcome Week board.
- d. **Finance Director Nioratra Proud Benyasri** welcomed the old, new and aspiring members of ASCSM. Ms. Benyasri also strongly suggested that the Student Senate help out during Welcome Week.
- e. **Vice Chair Hayley Sharpe** said she has nothing else to say but wishes to have a great semester ahead.

VIII. Senator Reports

- a. **Senator Girard** reminded the Student Senate to sign and help out during the Blood Drive that is happening on Wednesday, August 31.
- b. **Senator Stanley** reminded the Student Senate to log out of their Facebook account after they are done using it.
- c. **Senator Patawaran** reminded the Student Senate that the Social Action Committee would be meeting on Thursday, August 25 at 3:15pm.

IX. Advisor Reports

- a. **Aaron Schaefer, CSM Coordinator of Student Activities**, reminded that each member of the Student Senate is allowed one guest per person in the Senate Office. Mr. Schaefer also mentioned that the computers in the Senate Office are ASCSM usage only unless their guest is working on an ASCSM related project. He also welcomed everyone back to school and that he's excited to be working with a big group. Mr. Schaefer also reminded that clubs need to get their paperwork done as soon as possible. Finally, Mr. Schaefer reminded the Student Senate should sign up and help out during Welcome Week.
- b. **Fauzi Hamadeh, Associate Advisor**, handed out the Student Senate Office Rules to the Student Senate and emphasized on rule number seven on the list. Mr. Hamadeh also reminded the Student Senate that the Office of Student Life closes at 12:00 pm on Fridays and if they are coming to the Senate office the moment the Office of Student Life closes, they must go around to use their own door and not the main double doors of the Office of Student Life.

X. Unfinished Action, Discussion, and Information Items

a. Appointments – President Kupperberg

President Kupperberg made the following appointments for the various Shared Governance and accreditation oversight committees:

- Committee On Instruction – Senator Alvarado as primary
- DIAG planning – Senator Wong as primary; Senator Patawaran as backup
- DIAG policy – Associate Senator Chiou as primary
- IPC – Senator Girard as primary; Senator Carlozzi as backup
- Accreditation Oversight – Senator Girard as primary
- Technology – Associate Senator Robinson as primary
- District Budget – Senator Stanley as primary
- Accreditation – Vice Chair Sharpe as primary; Senator Wong as backup
- Academic Senate – Senator Stanley as backup
- Library & Learning Support Services (self-study) – Senator Crews as primary
- Instructional Program (self-study) – Senator Carlozzi as primary
- College Council – Senators Schmeckle and Norton in addition to President Kupperberg and Vice President D. Medeiro
- Student Services Leads – Senator Gao as primary; Senator Larot as backup
- Distance Education – Senator Patawaran as primary
- Enrollment Management Committee – Senator Alusa as primary
- Human Resources Committee – Senator Crews as Primary

- Safety Committee – Senator Crews as primary, Associate Senator Mandahar as backup
 - College & District Auxiliary Services Advisory Committees – Senators Schmeekle, M. Medeiro, and Alusa; Vice President D. Medeiro as backup
 - Leadership Governance (self-study) – Senator Norton as primary; Senator Alusa as backup
 - Financial Resources (self-study) – Vice President D. Medeiro as primary
 - Technology (self-study) – Senator Larot as primary, Senator M. Medeiro as backup
 - Human Resources (self-study) – Secretary Ramos as primary
- Motion to approve by Finance Director Benyasri; second by Senator M. Medeiro.

- Ashley Manandhar and Stephanie Chiou as an Associate Senator
- Motion to approve by Senator Norton; second by Senator Alvarado. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

b. ASCSM Goals for 2011/12 – Coordinator Schaefer & President Kupperberg

The Student Senate developed a series of goals and priorities. These goals were forwarded to the Finance & Administration Committee for review. The final goals for the 2011/12 year are: Communication, Commitment, Community, Respect and Enrichment.

Motion to approve by Senator Girard; second by Finance Director Benyasri.

Hearing no discussion, the senate moved to a vote.

The motion carried with 14 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining.

c. Tentative Event Calendar for Fall 2011 – Coordinator Schaefer

Due to the need for further discussion, Coordinator Schaefer requested that this item be tabled until next meeting.

Motion to table this item until next meeting by Senator Schmeekle; seconded by Senator Alvarado.

The motion carried with 12 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

XI. New Business, Discussion, and Information Items

a. Funding for Club Conference – Coordinator Schaefer

Coordinator Schaefer introduced the item, explaining that the conference has been planned last year and stirred interest in the clubs. Coordinator Schaefer said that the Club Leadership Conference would be similar to ASCSM's leadership retreat. He also mentioned that the cost for the conference would be around \$10,000 covering food and transportation. Finally, Mr. Schaefer said that there will be an application process if more than 45 students wishes to join.

Senator Wong asked if there would be a limit per each club member to join the leadership conference. Coordinator Schaefer said priority will be given to executive members of the club and carried to the members at large.

Motion to approve by Senator Girard; seconded by Senator Wong.

The motion carried with 14 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

b. Attire for Student Senator – Coordinator Schaefer

Coordinator Schaefer explained the need to identify members of the Student Senate on campus, events and in conferences. Office of Student Life is asking for \$2,000 to fund the purchase of sweatshirts, polo shirts, and t-shirts for members of the Senate, including officers, Senators and associates.

The motion to add \$500 to \$2,000 from Public Relations account approved by Senator Crews; seconded by Senator Carlozzi.

Senator Allie suggested that the Student Senate should open a design contest to the public. Coordinator Schaefer said it was a phenomenal idea.

Senator Bailey suggested that the Student Senate should also purchase hats and other trinkets.

The motion was called to question by Senator Medeiros; seconded by Senator Girard.

The motion carried with 13 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

XII. Committee Reports

a. Governmental Relations Committee

Senator Schmeekle reminded his committee members to attend his meetings. Senator Schmeekle urged his members to reevaluate their reason for joining the Governmental Relations Committee.

b. Public Relations Committee

Senator Gao said she hasn't set a permanent meeting time for the Public Relations Committee because she is waiting on the chairs of Programs & Services Committee to set their permanent meeting time.

XIII. Future Agenda Items

The following items were suggested for consideration for a future agenda:

- Sponsorship of blood drive for the fall 2011 semester
- Funding to purchase ASCSM attire
- Stop sign on the road by the side of Building 17

XIV. Final Announcements & Hearing of the Public

None

XV. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Senator Alvarado; seconded by Senator Patawaran. Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 3:42 pm.

Submitted by

/s Regina Ramos
ASCSCM Secretary