

ASCSM Student Senate Agenda

Monday, October 10, 2011

2:15 p.m.

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

The public is invited and encouraged to attend and participate in all Associated Students Senate Meetings. All meetings are open to the public, and are accessible to those with disabilities. Start times are approximate. The public may address the Senate on non-Agenda items during the Announcements & Hearing Public items on the Agenda. Members of the public may participate in discussions when recognized by the Chair.

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Approval of the Agenda**
- IV. Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)**
 - a. Monday, October 3, 2011
- V. Announcements & Hearing of the Public (15 minutes per topic, 3 minutes per speaker)**

At this time, any member of the public may address the body on non-Agenda items.
- VI. Special Presentations**
 - a. CSM Learning Center Update - Jennifer Mendoza, Director, CSM Learning Center
 - b. Changes to the Class Schedule - Beverly Madden, CSM Director of College Development & Marketing
- VII. Reports**
 - a. Executive Officers
President Kupperberg, Vice President Medeiro, Secretary Ramos, Finance Director Benyasri, Vice Chair Sharpe
 - b. Senators & Associates
 - c. Advisors
 - d. Committee Reports
- VIII. Unfinished Action, Discussion, and Information Items**
 - a. **Appointments – President Kupperberg**
The A.S. President may nominate and the Student Senate may discuss and vote on any nominations or appointments necessary for the 2011/12 academic year; possible action to take place.
- IX. New Business, Discussion, and Information Items**
 - a. **Hispanic Heritage Month – Programs & Services Committee**
The Student Senate may discuss and take action on funding Hispanic Heritage Month, possible action to take place.
 - b. **Proposed Revisions to ASCSM Bylaws Article VI, Impeachment & Recall – Coordinator Schaefer**
The Student Senate may discuss and take action on approving the proposed changes to Article VI, Impeachment and Recall, of the ASCSM Bylaws, possible action to take place.
- X. Future Agenda Items**

At this time, the Senate may suggest any future items for the Finance & Administration Committee to consider for future meetings.
- XI. Final Announcements & Hearing of the Public (15 minutes per topic, 3 minutes per speaker)**

At this time, any member of the public may voice any concluding comments.
- XII. Adjournment**

Proposed ASCSM Bylaw Changes

Proposal Replace the current language of Article VI, Impeachment & Recall, Sections 6.1 through 6.3 of the ASCSM Bylaws with the following language:

6.1 Intent

No Executive Officer or Member of the Student Senate shall be removed from office or deprived of rights, privileges, and responsibilities of membership, without “due process” as provided by the ASCSM Constitution and Bylaws. The due process shall exist as follows:

6.2 Initiation Process

6.2.1 Any Executive Officer or Member of the Student Senate may be removed for misconduct or neglect of duty.

- a. Neglect of duty shall be defined as the inability or refusal to carry out his/her duties as outlined by the AS Constitution and/or Bylaws.
- b. Misconduct shall be defined as a violation of the AS Constitution or Bylaws, local, state, or federal laws, and/or college or district policy (including but not limited to the Student Code of Conduct). Additionally misconduct can include, but is not limited to, unethical behavior, making verbal or physical threats, or other behavior that can negatively impact the operations of the Student Senate or affiliated groups.

6.2.2 Only a sitting Senator or Executive Officer may bring impeachment charges against another Member of the student government.

- a. The initiating Senator/Officer shall present the Senate with a Resolution of Impeachment outlining the charges and reason(s) for impeachment.
- b. All Impeachment and Removal Proceedings shall be conducted in an open and public meeting and in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code Section 54950 et. seq.).
- c. All Impeachment and Removal Proceedings shall take place during a regularly scheduled meeting of the Student Senate. No Impeachment and Removal Proceedings may take place at an emergency or special meeting of the Student Senate.
- d. A motion and second shall be made supporting the resolution before discussion on the resolution takes place.
- e. Upon the conclusion of the discussion of the resolution or a call to question, the Senate shall vote on the resolution.

- i. A vote of 50% +1 of the Senators in attendance shall be required for passage of the resolution.
 - ii. If a 50% +1 vote is not achieved, all charges against the Senate/Officer shall be dismissed.
- f. Upon an affirmative vote, the Senate shall move to a committee of the whole. The Senate shall vote to elect a sitting Senator to Chair the removal proceeding. The A.S. Vice President shall sit as a voting member of the committee of the whole. The presenting Senator or the Senator/Officer under impeachment may not be selected to Chair the proceedings.

6.3 Removal Proceedings

6.3.1 Sitting as a committee of the whole, the Senate shall be read the Impeachment Resolution.

6.3.2 The Senator/Officer being removed shall have the opportunity to speak to the charges.

- a. Should the Senator/Officer being removed fail to appear after being duly noticed as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code Section 54950 et. seq.), the Senate shall have the power to move forward with the Removal Proceedings.

6.3.3 Upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those in attendance, the Senator/Officer in question shall be removed from Office immediately and without appeal.

6.3.4 No Senator or Officer once removed from office may hold or run for a Senator or Officer position within student government for one (1) year from the time of removal.