

ASCSM Student Senate Minutes (Approved)

Monday, November 7, 2011

2:15 p.m.

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

I. The meeting was called to order at 2:21 pm

II. Roll Call

Members in Attendance: President Paige Kupperberg (absent); Vice President Daniella Medeiro; Secretary Regina Ramos; Finance Director Nioratra Benyasri; Vice Chair Hayley Sharpe; Senators Paola Alunni, Losili Alusa, Kat Alvarado, Bailey Girard, John Kilic, Ashley Manandhar, Melanie Medeiro, Michael Norton, Allie Patawaran, Alex Simon, Jeff Stanley

Associate Senators in Attendance: Raphael Bernabe, Charles Blanco, Stephanie Chiou, Carlie Jones, Alicie Kinert, Sashka Leahy, Cara Liao, Leylany Marquez, Grace Noland, Mara Ochoa

Guests in Attendance: Joe Gonzalez, Sarah Funes, Nicole Ramos

III. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda presented by Senator Manandhar; second by Senator Simon. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

IV. Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)

a. Monday, October 31, 2011

b. Monday, October 24, 2011

Motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, October 31, 2011 and Monday, October 24, 2011 meeting as presented by Senator Manandhar; second by Senator Girard. Hearing no objections, the motion was carried.

V. Announcements & Hearing of the Public (15 minutes per topic, 3 minutes per speaker)

Associate Senator Grace would like to announce to the Student Senate that she has been meeting with Vice President Hughes because AGS would like to learn how to effectively reach out to not only CSM students but Canada and Skyline College about the Plan Ahead, Pay Ahead campaign.

VI. Special Presentations

None

VII. Reports

A. Executive Officers

a. **President Kupperberg** is at the District Shared Governance Committee meeting.

b. **Vice President Medeiro** announced to the Student Senate that there is no school on Friday.

c. **Secretary Ramos** would like the Student Senate to attend PTK's Commit to Completion event.

d. **Finance Director Benyasri** had nothing to report.

e. **Vice Chair Sharpe** announced that ICC wouldn't be meeting today.

B. **Senators & Associates**

- a. **Senator Girard** announced to the Student Senate that he enjoyed the General Assembly Conference.
 - b. **Senator Patawaran** reminded the Student Senate to register for classes this week.
- C. Advisors**
- a. **Fauzi Hamadeh, Associate Advisor** would like the Student Senate to know that Aaron is not present today because he accompanied a few students from the Senate to SSCCC and was exhausted by the trip. Additionally, Mr. Hamadeh would like remind those Student Senators to clean the mini-fridge and microwave on Thursday because there will be no classes on Friday.
- D. Committee Reports**
- a. **Social Action Committee** has not been meeting over the last 3 weeks.
 - b. **Academic Enhancement Committee** announced that there would be no meeting this week.
 - c. **Programs & Services Committee** is excited for the Finals Week Stress Reduction event.

VIII. Unfinished Action, Discussion, and Information Items

- A. Appointments – President Kupperberg**
None
- B. Legislative Bills – Governmental Relations Committee** is a standing item.

IX. New Business, Discussion, and Information Items

- a. Second Annual “Holiday Angels” Toy Drive – Academic Enhancement Committee**
ASCSM would like to host the 2nd annual “Holiday Angels” Toy Drive, where we would be able to assist EOPS, CalWorks, CARE and Child Development Center with toys, books and etc.

Motion to approve by Senator Simon; second by Senator Norton.

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

- b. Winter Retreat Funding – Coordinator Aaron Schaefer**
Each winter, the Student Senate participates in a leadership retreat to do additional training and cover areas that may have come up during the fall semester. This proposal will cover site, transportation, and supply costs for the retreat.

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

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

- c. Stanford Tour – Transfer Club**
The transfer club is proposing funding for a bus to transport 25 students to the Stanford University Medical Center for a pre-med tour and admissions information session.

Motion to approve by Senator Manandhar; second by Senator Stanley.

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

- d. GSA Marriage Equality Speaker Funding – Senator Alvarado**
The Gay-Straight Alliance is seeking funding for two speakers to come and speak about GLBT issues in our community for GLBT history month.

Motion to approve by Senator Norton; second by Senator Manandhar.

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

e. World Beat Groove – Senator Ramos

Professor Rudy is requesting funding for promotional cost of his event, World Beat Groove. This event will provide a multi-cultural, social, informational emphasis, which will benefit the student body, staff, faculty and community in general.

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

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

f. Canned Food Drive – Vice Chair Sharpe

The Social Action Committee are working with Second Harvest (SF), where they will supply us with the bins to collect. The event will take place until thanksgiving.

Motion to approve by Senator Simon; second by Senator Manandhar.

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

g. Group Service Project – Academic Enhancement Committee

The Academic Enhancement Committee would like to undertake another group service project which would exemplify service learning in the community.

Motion to approve by Senator Manandhar; second by Senator Girard.

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

X. Future Agenda Items

Tax initiative

XI. Final Announcements & Hearing of the Public (15 minutes per topic, 3 minutes per speaker)

Associate Advisor Hamadeh announced to the Student Senate that whoever is registered to vote should do so. Voting will take place tomorrow, November 8 from 7 to 8pm.

XII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Senator Simon; second by Senator Medeiro. Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned by 3:08 pm.

Submitted by

/s Regina Ramos
ASCSM Secretary