



Student Senate Minutes (Approved)

Monday, August 6, 2012

2:15 pm

College of San Mateo, College Center, College Heights Conference Room (Bldg. 10, Rm. 468)

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 2:27pm.

II. Roll Call

Present: Vice President Sharpe; Finance Director Alvarado; Vice Chair Hoffman; Secretary Kilic.
Senators present: Liao; Lengyel; Marquez; Roberts; A. Sakov; E. Sakov; Salazar; Vasquez; Wang.
Advisor(s): Schaefer. Guests present: Bailey Girard.

III. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda by Senator Salazar; seconded by Senator Marquez.

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

Motion to approve the minutes of the prior meeting by Senator Salazar; seconded by Senator Marquez.

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

None.

VII. Reports

a. Executive Officers

1. President Kupperberg: At a doctor's appointment.
2. Vice President Sharpe: This is the last week for 8 week classes. Keep studying and then we have a week until classes start.
3. Finance Director Alvarado: Good luck on your finals and hopes you did well on your 6 week finals.
4. Vice Chair Hoffman: Sorry for being late and hello.
5. Secretary Kilic: none.

b. Senators

None.

c. Advisors

1. Aaron Schaefer, Coordinator of Student Activities: School starts in a couple weeks and Welcome Day is coming up. I will send out an email so reply if you are interested in coming. We would definitely appreciate the help. Fauzi is not here today because he is not feeling well. I just wanted to thank your esteemed chairs for organizing their meetings.
2. Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Activities Assistant: none.

d. Committee Reports

1. Executive Cabinet: None
2. Advocacy Board: We will be tabling during Welcome Week so you're interested in helping, contact me.
3. Programming Board: Meeting this coming Wednesday at 12:30 and we are going to be discussing Welcome Week and get started on planning.
4. Inter Club Council: ICC has not started meeting yet.

5. College, District, and State Committees, Boards, and Organizations: Hayley: The District Student Council Meeting is this Friday at 10am at Canada College. We are currently working on our bylaws and it is going really well.

VIII. Unfinished Action, Discussion, and Information Items

a. Appointments – President Kupperberg

None.

IX. New Business, Discussion, and Information Items

a. Public Safety Introduction by Chief of Public Safety Brain Tupper

Hearing no objections, this item was tabled to the next meeting.

b. Update on Accreditation and Information on Self Study

Susan Estes: Last year there were students on all accreditation committees. If you would like to know what it means to be accredited, the info can be found on the website. We always have students on each of these committees and we look over all the standards. Each committee takes the criteria put out by the accreditation commission and they check to see if the college meets those criteria.

c. ASCSM Goals Overview – President Kupperberg

Motion to approve goals by Hoffman; seconded by Salazar.

Vote: Favor: 11; Oppose: 0; Abstain: 0

d. Welcome Week – Senator Kinert and Secretary Kilic

Secretary Kilic: Welcome Week is coming up and we have a good amount of planning to do. Programming Board will be meeting soon so if you are interested, please show up. We already have a few ideas.

e. Middle Class Scholarship Act – Senator Salazar

ASCSM took a stance to renew Middle Class Scholarship. Students have to pay loans after school. Goal is to keep college costs down for middle-income families. Anyone that makes less than 150,000 will have their fees slashed by 2/3rds.

Motion to support the Middle Class Scholarship Act by Senator Lengyel; seconded by Senator Roberts.

Financial Aid has not kept up with inflation. Back then parents could afford to send children to college. Loans were there to help. Since education has gotten so expensive, middle class gets left out. These days, community college is a more viable option. People are more dependent on loans now and it's difficult for students to pay back these loans.

Vote: Favor: 10; Oppose: 0; Abstain: 0

f. Tactics for Recruitment Strategies – Advisor Schaefer

This is a real goal for ASCSM but we need to go the extra mile instead of just putting up banners and fliers.

Vice President Sharpe: we need to table along with the banner and giveaways. Twice a month would be good, excluding events. We can buy pizza to get attention.

Senator Lengyel: Schwag. I got interested when I saw ASCSMs logo around. Putting up fliers in high-traffic areas to get attention and even inviting students to come in during a meeting or planning session.

Advisor Schaefer: we send out emails with our events to students. We do encourage students to join our group on facebook so we can really push out information.

Senator Vasquez: Once or twice a month we can have an executive and a senator hold an Ask-A-Senator event, maybe by tabling.

Finance Director Alvarado: We can use the televisions in building 10. We should also build a relationship with The San Matean.

Advisor Schaefer: Press releases. Let them know what events we have going on in time.

Vice President Sharpe: Bookstore can advertise us with their Television

Senator Salazar: Sandwich board. We should have a sign up sheet where we can go into a class and talk for 5 minutes and inform the students about what is going on on campus.

Aaron: Asking teachers if you can speak in their other classes as well. Teachers can be really receptive.

Senator E. Sakov: When giving out food, for example, we should really show that the event is sponsored by ASCSM.

Advisor Schaefer: Bringing in people that you don't know, that will help open more circles.

Senator A. Sakov: Mentor new members in AS.

Secretary Kilic: Getting our name out during sporting events.

Senator Lengyel: we can use sandwich boards to post where we can't normally post.

Guest Bailey Girard: Use business cards.

g. New ID Card System

Motion to table this to the next meeting. Hearing no objections, this item was tabled to next meeting.

Senator Salazar: we are currently researching different companies for prices.

X. Future Agenda Items

New ID card System

Welcome Week

Advocacy Town Hall bringing local politicians to school

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

Senator Salazar: Bring ideas and join advocacy board

XII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 3:32pm by Senator Vasquez; seconded Senator E. Sakov.