



## Student Senate Minutes

Monday, December 2, 2013

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 all ASCSM Student 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 Student Senate on non-Agenda items during the Announcements & Hearing of the Public items on the Agenda. Members of the public may participate in discussions only when recognized by the Chair.*

- I. Call to Order 2:15 PM**
- II. Roll Call:** President Sharpe; Vice President Governale; Finance Director Haddad; Vice Chair Callahan; Secretary Tran; Senators Bajwa, Garcia, Girard, Lastimoso, Lee, Li, Li, Liang, Lowe, Silva, Vasquez, Zhou  
Members absent- Senators Cheung and Dutton  
Visitors/Guests- Professor Janatpour
- III. Approval of the Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda by Vice Chair Callahan and Seconded by Senator Lowe. Hearing no objections the motion is carried.
- IV. Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meeting(s):** Motion to approve minutes by Senator Girard and Seconded by Senator Lastimoso. Hearing no objections the motion is carried.
- 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. Reports**
  - a. Officers**
    1. President Hayley Sharpe  
Hope everyone had a good holiday. Asked if people are interested in a holiday party with secret santa. I plan to make a report to the Board of Trustees with senators' photos and information about transfer.
    2. Vice President Amanda Governale  
This town hall event is this Wednesday at 11 please sign up as the sheet is being passed around.
    3. Finance Director Hanna Haddad  
No Reports.
    4. Vice Chair Bill Callahan  
Reading apprentice ship program teaches students how to read better. Notes from the Typhoon relief fund and there is a calendar of things that have happened and things that have yet to happen.
    5. Secretary Chris Tran  
No Reports
  - b. Senators**  
Senator Lee- Contacted SPCA for future events. Will be on campus for two hours.
  - c. Advisors**
    1. Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager  
Thank you guys for the hard work going into Filipino relief effort. I am really impressed with collaboration with clubs and others. Reminded people to please take any templates on the computers it will be wiped out. If items are left behind they will be returned to lost and found. Also we would like to

hear if we may have some help to clean out the event prep room food will be provided. We need an update for head count for Winter Retreat. Also I will be out mid day Wednesday until next week.

2. Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant  
Absent

## **VII. Unfinished Action, Discussion, and Information Items**

### **a. Appointments – President Sharpe**

No appointments.

### **b. Legislative Bills – Advocacy Board Chair Girard**

H.R.331-Direct Secretary of Veteran Affairs to permit Centralized report of enrollment in Veterans.

Voting to support HR 331 Yay-13 Nay-0 Abstained-0. Motion passes.

H.R.1816-Veterans' STEM Education Program Voting to take place Yay-12 Nay-0 Abstained-1 motion passes.

H.R.2659-Opportunities for Success Act of 2013

Voting to take place Yay-13 Nay-0 Abstained-0 motion passes.

S. 918 related to H.R.2155- The American Dream Accounts Act of 2013

Motion to watch bill S.918 by Senator Vasquez and Seconded by Senator Lee. Voting to take place Yay-10 Nay-1 Abstained-1 motion passes to watch bill.

HR 2770- Pathways Back to Work Act of 2013

Senator Vasquez opposes this bill. Will be tabled.

### **c. Typhoon Yolanda/Haiyan Relief Activities Update**

Updates please refer to handout.

**VIII. New Business, Discussion, and Information Items**

**a. Art & Science Lecture Funding – Professor Mohsen Janatpour**

Professor Janatpour gave a funding proposal for the art lecture. Motion to approve \$500 by Senator Li and Seconded by Senator Silva. Voting to take place Yay-12 Nay-1 Abstained-0 funding approved.

**b. Transfer Tribute Funding – President Sharpe**

President Sharpe gave a brief presentation with the Transfer Tribute Funding. Motion to approve \$3,000 by Senator Li and Seconded by Senator Bajwa. Voting to take place Yay-13 Nay-0 Abstained-0 Motion passes.

**c. Relaxation Week – Programming Board**

Senator Garcia gave a presentation for Relaxation week. Motion to approve \$1,750 by Senator Girard and Seconded by Vice Chair Callahan. Yay-13 Nay-0 Abstained-0 funding approved.

**d. Welcome Week for Spring 2014 – Programming Board**

Senator Garcia gave a funding proposal for welcoming new and returning students. Motion to approve \$7,500 by Senator Lee and Seconded by Lastimoso. Voting to take place Yay-13 Nay-0 Abstained-0 funding approved.

**e. Holiday Decorations – President Sharpe**

Holiday decorations funding proposal. Motion to approve by Senator Li and Seconded by Senator Vasquez. Voting to take place Yay-13 Nay-0 Abstained-0. Funding approved.

**f. Review of ASCSM Goals and Action Steps for 2013/14 – Advisor Schaefer and President Sharpe**

Survey will be sent out with Senate involvement and if we have accomplished our goals.

**IX. Future Agenda Items**

None

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

None

**XI. Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn meeting at 3:29 by Senator Lowe and Seconded by Senator Li. Hearing no objections the meeting is adjourned at 3:29.