

Student Senate Minutes

(Approved)

Monday, June 3, 2013

2:15 pm

College of San Mateo, Center for Student Life (Building 17, Room 112)

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 2:18pm.

II. Swearing In

Advisor Hamadeh administered President Sharpe's oath of office, followed by President Sharpe Administering the oath of office to the Senate and remaining Executives.

III. Roll Call

Members Present: President Sharpe, Vice President Governale, Finance Director Haddad, Secretary

Kupperberg.

Senators: Bassuel, Callahan, Cheung, Dutton, Garcia, Girard, Lowe, Mottaghian, Vazquez Members absent: Senator Chan, Senator Jayasinha, Senator Li (Excused), Senator Zhou (Excused)

IV. Approval of the Agenda

Senator Girard moved to approve the agenda, motion was seconded by Senator Callahan. Hearing no objections, motion carries and the agenda was adopted.

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

Senator Callahan moved to approve the minutes of the May 13th, 2013 meeting, motion was seconded by Senator Girard. Hearing no objections, motion carries and the minutes were approved.

VI. Announcements & Hearing of the Public (15 minutes per topic, 3 minutes per speaker) No Announcements were made at this time.

VII. Reports

a. Executive Officers

1. President Sharpe congratulated the group, and stated that the summer would be awesome. Please rest up and take care of themselves in preparation for a vigorous year in ASCSM.

2. Vice President Governale expressed excitement to work with the group in the following year.

3. Finance Director Haddad expressed excitement, and asked that the group bare with him while he learned the ropes of ASCSM, he expects to do an incredible job once he gets the hang of things

b. Senators

1. Senator Girard thanked those who went to Jazz on the Hill, gave information on the next board meeting, and that the track is being constructed on, please be aware.

2. Senator Dutton reported that the Learning Center now has 30-40 new tutors.

c. Advisors

1. Advisor Schaefer reported hat he is excited and hoped that the group was ready to tackle a big semester.

2. Advisor Hamadeh Reminded the group that tomorrow is the ASCSM banquet and gave the information on where it would be, and if you plan to come, please shoot aaron or Fauzi an email.

Also, please check your email at least once a day, that is how most things are communicated with the group. If you are not receiving the emails, please let Fauzi know.

d. Committee Reports

1. Vice President Governale reported back on what was discussed at safety committee, including the start of the construction on the North Gateway Project which will effect the traffic on campus. The loop will be closed. Additionally, Safety committee had a "table top" exercise to prepare the group for an on-campus shooting.

2. President Sharpe reported back on the Institutional Planning Committee meeting. The group decided to combine the responsibilities of Budget Planning Committee with IPC, in which case, President Sharpe would like to appoint the Finance Director to IPC to be a part of the BPC subcommittee.

VIII. Unfinished Action, Discussion, and Information Items

a. **Appointments – President Sharpe**

1. President Sharpe nominated Nick Vasquez and Aaron Bassuel as Senators. A motion was made to approve the nomination by Senator Callahan, and Seconded by Senator Mottaghian. Senator Callahan then spoke in support of Nick and Aaron using evidence based on past work with clubs and ASCSM. Senator Mottaghian spoke on behalf of Nick, stated that he is consistent and the reason that he is a part of ASCSM.

With 7 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions, motion carries.

Following the vote, Senator Bassuel thanked the group for appointing them as senators to the group, and Senator Vasquez stated that he looked forward to working with the group again.

2. President Sharpe nominated Paige Kupperberg to be Secretary for the Associated Students. A motion was made by Senator Girard, and seconded by Senator Mottaghian. Senator Dutton asked if Paige Kupperberg is qualified for the position, she responded that she has been doing this for 2 years, and is confident in her abilities.

With 9 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions, motion carries.

b. Legislative Bills – Advocacy Board Chair

Vice President Governale explained that this is a standing item that will be here for the Advocacy Board to bring forward bills that have been forwarded by the group.

IX. New Business, Discussion, and Information Items

a. Leave of Absence approvals – President Sharpe

President Sharpe explained that there are 3 senators that need a leave of absence, Li and Zhou are international students who will be gone for the summer, and Senator Cheung has a class conflict and will be unavailable for the summer due to the summer class.

Advisor Hamadeh explained that a leave of absence lowers the number for quorum and can only be granted during the summer session to those who have a class or are international students who are leaving for the summer.

Senator Girard moved to grant a leave of absence to Senators Li, Zhou, and Cheung; motion was seconded by Senator Vasquez.

Senator Bassuel asked what quorum would be if the Senators were granted a leave of absence; Secretary Kupperberg stated that quorum would be 7.

With 8 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention, motion carries.

b. Governing Documents Overview – Advisor Schaefer & Advisor Hamadeh This item was not discussed.

c. Summer Event – President Sharpe

President Sharpe explained that every year the ASCSM brings it's-its and bottled water to the campus for a small event. She would like to establish a task force to carry the event out. The task force will consist of President Sharpe, Senator Vasquez, Senator Bassuel, Senator Garcia, and Vice President Governale. The task force will bring a funding request next meeting.

X. Future Agenda Items

1. Senator Mottaghian requested an update on the retreat

2. President Sharpe asked that we discuss the summer event proposal

Vice President Governale asked that all agenda item requests be submitted no later than June 19th.

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

1. President Sharpe is working on a newsletter, she would like to have one out by the fall semester. Please email her if you are interested in helping. Senator Hanna asked if there would be collaboration with Alpha Gamma Sigma. President Sharpe responded that it would be just ASCSM, and the manpower will be members of the ASCSM and that the intended audience is the campus as a whole.

Advisor Schaefer stated that there are 3 positions for those interested: Advocacy Board Chair and Programming Board Chair appointed by President, and the Vice Chair appointed by the Senate. Also, the Friday before school starts, we have welcome day. We typically get 100+ students and family, we usually ask students to help with the event. We will be coming to you for sign ups.

2. Secretary Kupperberg stated that we are looking for someone to be Secretary for the 2013/14 academic year. If you know anyone who may be qualified and interested please let me know. Senator Dutton asked what the qualifications would be, and Advisor Schaefer listed qualifications.

3. Senator Garcia expressed excitement for the upcoming year and to work with the group.

4. Advisor Schaefer announced that the senate pictures will be taken at the next meeting, and asked that everyone dress accordingly.

XII. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Senator Mottaghian, and seconded by Senator Bassuel at 2:58 pm with no objections.

Minutes submitted by: