The Associated Students of College of San Mateo



Student Senate Minutes

Monday, October 27, 2014 2:15 pm

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

- I. Call to Order 2:19 pm
- II. Roll Call Members Present: President Maggie Garcia; Vice President Javokhir Inatov; Finance Director Lana Bakour; Vice Chair Danuta Wang; Secretary Tim Exner; Senators Ruben Ayestas, Francisco Duarte, Erik Ferroggiaro, Marissa Garcia, Elim Kan, Caroline Khoury, Xue Li, Taniela Mapa, , George Silva, Samantha Trump, Yanrui Xu, Haoran Kevin Yu, Winnie Wu.

Senators Absent: Daria Anshakova, Yifei Oliver Li.

Visitors and Guests: Rupinder Bajwa

- **III. Approval of the Agenda** Motion to approve the Agenda by Senator Wang and seconded by Senator Duarte. Hearing no objections the motion is carried.
- **IV. Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)** Motion to approve minutes from 2014-10-13 by Senator Silva and seconded by Senator Xu. Hearing no objections the motion carried. Motion to approve minutes from 2014-10-20 by Senator Garcia and seconded by Senator Trump. Hearing no objections the motion carried.
- V. Announcements & Hearing of the Public (15 minutes per topic, 3 minutes per speaker)
 Rupinder Bajwa: I attended meeting three at Santa Rosa College. The rep fee is going up by \$2, \$1 of which goes to SSCCC. Proposition 13 reform was also discussed.
- VI. Reports
 - a. Officers
 - 1. President Maggie Garcia

Hi. I met with the district board. I am very happy about the events. I attended the Academic Senate. They discussed maybe cancelling summer classes. We should advertise these classes more. The College Council is to be eliminated.

2. Vice President Javokhir Inatov

No reports.

3. Finance Director Lana Bakour

I met with the textbook taskforce. We need suggestions to improve sales.

4. Vice Chair Danuta Wang

No reports.

5. Secretary Tim Exner

None

b. Senators

1. Senator Garcia

Halloween event is on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. We should make announcements in class. There is also a costume contest.

2. Senator Ferroggiaro

Meet with him about the weekend community project.

3. Senator Trump

The CAC Committee meeting is on November 7th at 8:00 am.

4. Senator Silva

I attended the by-monthly Committee on Instruction meeting on Thursday. They updated the curriculum and added MATH 190 – Pathway to Statistics. This will eliminate the algebra requirement of MATH 110, only if non-transferrable. There was a unanimous vote in favor.

c. Advisors

1. Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager

Don't forget about the volunteer project on November 1st. Please stay and meet with me. If you signed up please go. The Leadership Retreat went great! They had 28 participants and they were fantastic. They left with a positive outlook. Thank you so much for funding it.

2. Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant No reports.

VII. Unfinished Action, Discussion, and Information Items

a. Appointments – President Garcia

?Tung Yin to Advocacy Board. He believes it will be good for his transcripts and that Engineering could benefit from it. First be Senator Xu and seconded by Senator Kan. Senator Trump: He showed up at every meeting and table event. He would be a great addition to the board. With no objections the motion carried. Kat Stein to Programming Board. President Garcia: I think she'd be great. Eric to Programming Board. It would build up his resume and give him good experience for his major of Sociology. First by Senator Silva and seconded by Senator Garcia. With no objections the motion carried.

b. Legislative Bills - Advocacy Board Chair

Senator Trump: We are doing Advocacy tabling. There are 3 schools splitting the allocated 388 million dollars. Don't forget to vote!

c. Peer Educator Update

Advisor Schaefer: There are currently six Peers led by Tim. They are getting organized. They researched and covered stress for Health Fair and planned outreach. They are attending the Mental Health First Aid training this Saturday. They will have Safe Zone training in December. Things are off to a slow start because we had to hire new peers as most of the previous, experienced Peers are not involved this semester. We have Makiko involved as an advisor and in training the Peers. Tim has cleaned and prepared their own meeting room for them, they have a Facebook group and are using social networking to communicate and collaborate. I'm very happy with it and Tim is doing an excellent job. The Mental Health Fair went great for the Peer Educators and Active Minds who collaborated with us. It was good experience for us.

VIII. New Business, Discussion, and Information Items

a. Rose Garcia – Flag-A-Vet Event

Rose Garcia presented a proposal requesting \$800 for Flag-A-Vet event. They will be thanking veterans, offering lunch and a free t-shirt for attending. This would be an entire week. There will be different services available at different colleges such as, a mentor program, outside veteran's services, housing assistance, etc. They go every year to share experience and use the skills they've learned on and off campus. They can represent at Jackie Spears Health and Nutrition Conference, build relationships with local Human Rights Day event. First by Senator Silva and seconded by Senator Ferroggiaro. President Garcia: I'm excited about this but concerned. This

must be open to the public. Senator Ferroggiaro: Do you have boards, etcetera? Rose: Yes, it will be open to the public. Human Services and the SF Vets Department flyers. Senator Ferroggiaro: Will there be brochures? Rose: Yes, they will be in the Center. Advisor Schaefer: Only club events have to be open to the public. Advisor Hamadeh: The proposal is only for lunch. It must be amended. I ask for a motion to amend proposal to include t-shirts. First by Senator Silva and seconded by. With no objections the motion carried. The proposal for the Fag-A-Vet event is taken to a vote: The Senate votes 14 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained. The motion carried.

b. AGS Spring Statewide Conference Funding

Abiel, Taniela Mapa, and Didi of Operations presented a motion requesting \$2500 to attend the AGS Statewide Conference. The total it will cost is \$5000, transportation and rooms for 25 people. They have a Fundraising Committee which will do See's Candy fundraising, picking up recycling on Thursdays, and recycling from Farmers' Market on Saturday. The conference is April 17-19 in southern California. They will pursue volunteering at events every weekend such as, community cleanups and habitat restoration. The conference is held yearly. It really helped me learn about leadership. They are eligible for scholarships. They can network with other chapters. There are workshops and they help with transfer to a 4 years school. Finance Director Bakour: Are you driving or flying? AGS: Taking bus. Vice President Inatov: Who is coordinating this event? AGS: 9 people are planning it, getting the bus and will be linking up with other chapters. Senator Garcia: How many members are there? AGS: Over 60. Senator Garcia: You've done this before? AGS: Yes. AGS partners with the Police Activities League. They help 3rd graders learn to read at North Shoreview Elementary each Tuesday. They won an award for best Cheer. Their Advisor won an award. They are the biggest chapter in the state. We want other people to have the same experience. The attendees will hopefully be the next leaders. The senate votes 13 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained. The motion carried.

IX. Future Agenda Items

Proposal for Student of the Month funding. Budget update.

X. Final Announcements & Hearing of the Public (15 minutes per topic, 3 minutes per speaker) President Garcia: Register!

XI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting at 3:06 pm by Vice Chair Wang and seconded by Senator Ferroggiaro. Hearing no objections, the meeting is adjourned.