



ASCSM Senate Minutes

Monday November 24, 2014

2:15 pm

North Hall Building 18, Room 308

- I. Call to Order 2:19 pm**
- II. Roll Call**
 - a. Members Present: Vice President Javokhir Inatov; Finance Director Lana Bakour; Vice Chair Danuta Wang; Secretary Tim Exner; Student Trustee Rupinder Bajwa; Senators Ruben Ayestas, Francisco Duarte, Marissa Garcia, Elim Kan, Caroline Khoury, Yifei Oliver Li, Xue Li, Taniela Mapa, , James Roe, George Silva, Samantha Trump, Winnie Wu, Yanrui Xu, Haoran Kevin Yu.
 - b. Advisors present: Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant.
 - c. Members absent: President Maggie Garcia, Senators Daria Anshakova, Erik Ferroggiaro
- III. Approval of the Agenda**
 - a. Motion to approve the Agenda by Senator Duarte and seconded by Senator Mapa. Hearing no objections the motion is carried.
- IV. Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)**
 - a. Motion to approve minutes from Monday, November 17, 2014 by Senator Wang 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)**
 - a. None.
- VI. Reports**
 - a. **Officers**
 - i. On behalf of President Garcia, Vice President Inatov read the following message: “Hello everyone. I’m sorry that I cannot be there today. However I want to give a big thank you to all those who helped out last week with our school events. A big thank you to Ruben, Marissa, and Winnie for all their hard work for we cannot do it without you guys. I would also like to mention that I heard a lot of great feedback from our students and they truly appreciate everything we do for them. So thank you once again everyone. Lastly, I would be sending everyone an email regarding information of the new Freshmen Success Initiative task force. This task force is composed of 3 different task force and 2 senators will be appointed to each task force. The purpose of this task force is to develop a proposed model to help assist high school graduates transition from high school to CSM. We are overall trying to create a better way to help freshmen succeed and guide them into the right direction. Please check your emails letter and I would like to mention that if you were ever one of those students who had a rocky start or found it hard to get involved, we need people like you to help us make this program successful! So please do not be afraid to email me any questions you may have. We will make the appointment's next week, so please make sure to read the email. Hope you guys have a fantastic day! Don't forget to breathe... Love you all and wish you luck on your school work.”
 - ii. Vice President Javokhir Inatov had no reports.
 - iii. Finance Director Lana Bakour mentioned that President Claire is involved in the Freshman First Year Experience program to help students transition to college.

- iv. Vice Chair Danuta Wang reported that International Students have been given an extension of prerequisite classes and there will be an agent to represent students. Unfortunately, international students are not performing well in English. I attended the ICC meeting and League of Legends will be coming today. The ICC Mixer is the Wednesday following the Thanksgiving break.
- v. Secretary Tim Exner had no reports.

b. Senators

- i. Senator Garcia stated thank you for the great job at the events. Especially Sam, who got the hot water working. The Holiday Toy Drive starts December 1st. There will be donation boxes around campus such as in front of the bookstore.
- ii. Senator Y. Oliver Li reported that he went to DIAG last Tuesday. He reminded us about the Literature event Tuesday Nov. 25th from 11 am to 12:15 pm in the theater.
- iii. Senator Khoury reported that the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society is having a “Ready for Work” clothing drive November 21st through Dec. 12th. This clothing drive is to help men and women find jobs. There are boxes in Building 10.
- iv. Senator Garcia stated thank you for all the help at the events. Especially Sam, who got the hot water working. She reminded us that there is a holiday toy drive Dec. 1st to Dec. 17th. There will be a box in front of the bookstore.

c. Advisors

- i. Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager, was not present.
- ii. Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant, reminded us that the Center for Student Life is closed on Wednesday as there is no school. Committee chairs must send me the Agendas by tomorrow at 12 pm. He mentioned the Winter Retreat in January. It will be Friday December 16th to Sunday Jan. 18th. They will return on that Sunday. Those 11 can attend but we are also inviting people from the boards. They are still looking for a location but it could possibly be Pajaro Dunes where they have gone before. He reminded us about the Holiday Mixer and will be sending out an email. It’s a Holiday party Thursday Dec. 11th in the Center for Student Life from 1 to 3 pm. He stressed the importance of the Freshman First Year Experience program. This is a big deal that the President cares a lot about. It will about identifying students that need help and usher them through the transition to college. There will be 3 task forces. The goal is to guide these students through their first year. He apologized for the change of meeting location. There is a Board meeting in 10-468.

VII. Unfinished Action, Discussion, and Information Items

a. Appointments – President Garcia

- i. No appointments at this time.

b. Legislative Bills – Advocacy Board Chair

- i. Senator Trump: There is no Advocacy Board meeting tomorrow.

VIII. New Business, Discussion, and Information Items

a. Writers’ Project Campus-Wide Journal, “The Labyrinth”

The Writer’s Project explained they are requesting funds to create and print a Labyrinth publication. It will be the first of its type. It will include features on professors and student’s writing, ideas, and artwork. Last year they won Best Honor’s Newsletter in the entire country. They are switching to a Student Journal that won’t just be focused on academics. It will not be just for CSM students. It will be a tri-campus publication of 20-30 pages. Students can submit art, pictures, essays, papers, Sweet Tweets for Sweet Treats, etc. They want to print 300 copies.

Motion to approve \$1000.00 for the Writers' Project to print 300 copies of their Labyrinth publication by Senator Trump and seconded by Senator Xu.

Senator Xu stated they did a good job on this and she's looking forward to it. If you have anything good, submit it. The Writers project stated that it would be a sophisticated journal. It will be open to all and a good thing to put on your resume if you have your work published. They want to do this Dec. 9th. Senator Garcia asked if this would include Film and Photography students and others. The Writers' Project stated it will and will include academics and clubs as well. Senator Wang asked why they used that cover. The Writers' Project stated that the cover will be a student's work. Senator Mapa asked, since it is a district-wide publication, who are they in contact with? The Writers' Project stated professors, clubs and some students. Senator Duarte asked how many of these they've done. The Writers' Project stated three. There will be a permanent copy in the Library and online as well. Vice Chair Wang asked how they will choose. The Writers' Project stated that they will review, select and edit them as necessary. Student Trustee Bajwa asked if the focus will be on CSM. The Writers' Project stated no, it will be district-wide. Student Trustee Bajwa asked if they will print it and give it to all 3 schools. Senator Trump stated they will try. The other schools are not helping. Vice Chair Wang asked how many clubs were helping? Senator Trump stated 15-20 (16). And that they are grant funded. Senator Duarte asked when they meet. The Writers' Project stated they meet Fridays at 1:30 pm and they have a Roundtable meeting at 1:30 pm on Monday's. Advisor Hamadeh asked what the difference between this publication and the Sampler was. The Writers' Project stated that the Sampler was only for Honor Students and this will be for everyone. It is also bigger, more of a magazine. Advisor Hamadeh asked where they were having it printed. The Writers' Project stated RA Comixs. Advisor Hamadeh asked if they had checked with Copy & Post. The Writers' Project stated they had not. Advisor Hamadeh told them to check with Copy & Post.

By a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion to approve \$1000 from the Club Assistance/ICC account for The Writer's Project to create and print the Labyrinth publication carried.

b. League of Legends Club – Intel Extreme Masters Event in San Jose

League of Legends club explained that they want to attend the Intel Extreme Masters event in San Jose. It is a weekend long event at the SAP Center. They would be viewing a video game event as spectators. There will be pros from all over the world. They will watch pro gamers play for money, talk to the pros and get autographs.

Vice President Inatov asked them if they will be playing. League of Legends club stated no, they would not. They would just be watching and buying stuff.

Motion to approve \$300.00 for the League of Legends club to attend the Intel Extreme Masters event in San Jose by Vice Chair Wang and seconded by Senator Roe.

Student Trustee Bajwa asked if tickets are available. League of Legends club stated that LCS is a member's only tournament. Finance Director Bakour stated this was out of the Club Assistance account. Vice president Inatov asked how many in the club. League of Legends club stated that there are 15. You don't play. Some people there play and others just watch and talk strategy. Vice President Inatov asked if they could join global forums. League of Legends club stated yes, the Collegiate Star League. They are trying to hold a tournament at CSM. Senator Trump asked why we should approve \$300.00 for this. And how it promotes CSM or benefits the school academically. League of Legends club stated it is not really to promote CSM though they could possibly wear shirts. Finance Director Bakour asked when it was. League of Legends club stated it was December 6th and 7th. Vice President stated \$50, how many are going. League of Legends club stated 14. Senator Roe asked how often this tournament was in California. League of Legends club stated the LCS is held in the spring, summer and fall in Santa Monica. Senator Garcia stated she watched the video and was convinced. But she agrees with Sam that it should promote CSM. It will be a good experience. Finance Director Bakour reminded us that they approved \$200 for a

Polaroid camera. Advisor Hamadeh stated that regardless of previous proposals, it's good to ask about the impact, benefit to and promotion of CSM. There is no academic link. It needs balance. Student Trustee Bajwa stated he thinks it will be a good experience but only for the club. If you discuss strategy and watch pros you should report on what you learned. It would be interesting. Senator Mapa stated that it's not directly related to academics. You should promote academics. Get tips and info on how to get into the industry and the art behind gaming. And how it is hard to convince people it is a sport. Senator Y. Li stated that it sounds cool but he'd rather they request \$100 and do a fundraiser. They could sell shirts and tell students about League of Legends. He doesn't see an impact. Finance Director stated it was a good idea for the future but not enough time. Advisor Hamadeh stated that they should make a link to the art and career possibilities in gaming. A pro gamer just signed a \$25 million dollar contract and lives like any sports star. Senator Trump stated that maybe next time they should hold a contest.

By a vote of 12 in favor, 2 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion to approve \$300 from the Club Assistance/ICC account for the League of Legends club to attend the Intel Extreme Masters event in San Jose is carried.

c. ICC Mixer

Vice Chair Wang and Advisor Hamadeh explained that there will be an ICC Mixer December which will include food and refreshments.

Motion to approve \$600.00 for the ICC mixer event by Vice Chair Wang and seconded by Senator Trump.

Vice President Inatov asked what time this would be. Advisor Hamadeh stated it would be after normal business at their normal 1:30 pm meeting. Every semester we try to have a mixer for each club but we ran out of time. There is normally a larger mixer in the fall. The funds come from the Club Account Reserve.

By a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion to approve \$600.00 from the Club Account Reserve for the ICC Mixer is carried.

d. ASCSM Budget Update

Hearing no objections, the ASCSM Budget Update was tabled until the next meeting.

IX. Future Agenda Items

- a. None.

X. Final Announcements & Hearing of the Public

- a. Student Trustee Bajwa stated that he is going to the District Student Council meeting at 3:30 pm at Canada. The regional meeting is in Santa Rosa. He will bring a report to us. They are requesting that we send the budget information online. Advisor Hamadeh stated that we will put the budget info on the CSM website. He will notify us when it has been done.
- b. Senator Roe wished everyone a very happy Thanksgiving.

XI. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn meeting at 3:15 pm by Senator Trump and seconded by Senator Ferroggiaro. Hearing no objections, the meeting is adjourned.