



Associated Students of College of San Mateo

## Senate Minutes (Approved)

Monday, March 21, 2016, 2:15 p.m.

College Center Building 10, City View Conference Room (Room 401)

- I. **The meeting was called to order at 2:18 p.m.**
- II. **Roll Call**
  - a. **Members Present:** Vice President Samantha Trump; Finance Director Danuta Wang; Secretary Tony Tan; Senators Bella Hamzah, Erik Ferroggiaro, Young-Min Kim, Katarina Stein, Daniel Wallace, Sio Pang Jacky Wong, Vina Wong, Marco Zavala, Jingwei Andy Zhang, and Allison Zhao.
  - b. **Members Absent:** President Sennai Kaffl; Vice Chair James Roe; SMCCCD Student Trustee Rupinder Bajwa; Senator Laurie Chin, Jennie Elkady, Kurtis Casperson, Grecia Mascareno.
  - c. **Advisors Present:** Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant.
- III. **Approval of the Agenda**
  - a. Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Senator Ferroggiaro; seconded by Senator Kim. Hearing no objections, the motion carried
- IV. **Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)**
  - a. Motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, March 14, 2016, meeting by Senator Stein; seconded by Senator Ferroggiaro. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- V. **Announcements & Hearings of the Public**

None.
- VI. **Reports**
  - a. **Officers**
    - i. **President Sennai Kaffl:** was not present.
    - ii. **Vice President Samantha Trump:** stated that she is sorry for being late and hoped everyone to stay dry.
    - iii. **Finance Director Wang:** had no report.
    - iv. **Vice Chair James Roe:** was not present.
    - v. **Secretary Tony Tan:** had no report.
    - vi. **SMCCCD Student Trustee Rupinder Bajwa:** was not present.
  - b. **Senators**
    - i. **Senator Vina Wong:** stated that the international education program will hold an event on May called World Gala. There will be auditions and photo contest in April. She stated that anyone who has good traveling pictures can email them and the winner will get a GoPro camera as a prize.

- ii. **Senator Stein:** stated that programming board is planning to have a big event which there will be a sports day and volleyball, football, and Ping Pong will be provided. They are also trying to have a mini golf. They will have food from Subway or AAA after they decide what kind of food they want to have. There will also be a casino day so they will bring the casino guy and tables in. Music and photo booth will be set up. She also stated that WTF festival requires have been made and they might need some help if the board can't get everything done.
- c. **Advisor**
- i. **Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager,** was not present.
  - ii. **Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant,** stated that some members are on a D.C. trip and they will be back on Tuesday night. Advisor Aaron will be back on Thursday. He stated that the Student Trustee Nominee Election will be on Wednesday and Thursday from 9 am to 1pm and from 5pm to 6:30 pm for evening students. The student life center, the prep room, and the senators' office are off limits for campaigning or against any candidate. He stated that we will try to have the results ready on Friday if we are able to gather the group and count the votes. He also stated that the district student council discussed about increasing student body fee last week and the three colleges are agreed to have \$5 for summer fee and \$15 for spring and fall fees. The resolution will be back on the first meeting after spring break. He stated that for arming the public safety, no decision has been made by the district. The district is requesting a proposal to find a third party consultant to help research and it won't be done until December. He stated that if any of us hears any question about this on campus, please let them know that things are still in process and it won't happen tomorrow or any time soon. He also stated that the student life center will be closed during spring break so agendas need to be sent before Friday to get posted and if anyone needs anything from student life center, please get it done before Friday as well.

## VII. Action Items

### a. Appointments -- President Kaffl

Vice President Trump stated that Senator Zavala is no longer a member of Election Commission therefore we need a new person to be appointed to the Election Commission. She stated that Senator Katarina Stein is to be appointed to the Election Commission.

Motion to approve Senator Katarina Stein to the Election Commission by Senator Jacky Wong and seconded by Bella Hamzah. Without objection, the motion passes.

Vice President Trump stated that Wengfei Li is to be appointed to the Advocacy Board. Wengfei Stated that she has lots of energy and has involved with lots of clubs. She is very interested in joining the Advocacy board and wants to learn new things.

Motion to approve Wengfei Li to the Advocacy Board by Senator Jacky Wong; seconded by Senator Zhao. Without objection, the motion passes.

**b. Legislative Bills – Advocacy Board Chair Casperson**

None.

**c. Funding for Robotics Materials – Robotics Club**

Albert from Robotics Club stated that they are requesting money to build Arduino Robots. Their president and advisor will be helping and guiding them to assemble. The money requested will be used to cover ten robot kits which will also be used in the next semester.

Motion to approve \$1,510 for funding robotics materials by Senator Zhang; seconded by Senator Zavala.

Senator Hamzah asked what kind of robot they will build and Albert stated that it will be the very basic one to just finish their project.

Vice President Trump asked if they will show the robots to people and Albert stated they won't because the robot is too basic.

Senator Wallace asked if they will have this project each semester and Albert stated that it could be very possible.

With a vote of 10 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carries.

**d. Funding to Attend Veteran Leadership Summit –Student Veterans of America, CSM Chapter**

Representative from Student Veterans of America, CSM Chapter stated that this veteran conference is held for all student veterans in California to network with each other. He stated that there will be keynote speaker and lots of networking opportunities. Members will be able to interact with representatives from veteran service agencies and also learn to build their leadership skills. The money they are requesting is just to cover the hotel cost because 8 rooms are needed.

Motion to approve \$1,960.00 for Veterans Leadership Summit by Senator Ferroggiaro; second by Senator Kim.

Senator Hamzah asked how they will get to the event from hotels and he stated that they will take the motel shuttle.

Senator Kim asked how they come up with the amount of money and he stated that they don't know how many people will sign up so the money is based on the cost of 8 rooms for 2 nights.

With a vote of 10 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carries.

**e. Purchase of Banners for ASCSM Boards – Commissioner of Publicity Elkady**

Advisor Hamadeh stated that Commissioner of Publicity Jenine brought this idea to executive cabinet which provides each board with a professional unique plastic banner to promote not only the board but also ASCSM. Each board will be able to design their own banner and they are seeking a way to be able to update the meeting time and place on the banner each semester so that we only need to change the time itself to let people know where to go.

Motion to approve \$750.00 for banners for ASCSM boards by Senator Zhao; second by Senator Jacky Wong.

Finance Director Danuta Wang asked if each banner will have the same size and Advisor Hamadeh stated that we usually get the 3 by 5 ones which can be hung over the table.

Senator Jacky Wong asked if the time shown on the banner will be changeable and Advisor Hamadeh stated that they are looking into it and usually they can buy those changeable banners from somewhere and they are figuring out the cost and other details.

Senator Hamzah asked about the banner machine and Advisor Hamadeh stated that these are different than the paper ones and we will keep using these plastic banners year after year.

With a vote of 10 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carries.

#### **VIII. Discussion and Information Items**

##### **a. Event for Evening Students Debrief – Programming Board Chair Stein**

Senator Stein stated that they had lots of people coming on Wednesday and they were handing out food and playing music. Also lots of senators were there and it was just prefect.

Vice President Trump stated that on Thursday we didn't play music but they were also lots of people there.

Senator Jacky Wong stated that Sennai and he went to College Center to invite people to come and we didn't end up with lots food.

Advisor Hamadeh stated that he needs to know the staffing before the event starts because on Thursday when they came back they didn't know who is charge and who is going to be there. He stated that please send him the staff list so that they know all the people who will be present for the event.

#### **IX. Future Agenda Items**

The following items were recommended for the next ASCSM Senate meeting: Shuttle for Building 36, D.C. trip Debrief.

#### **X. Final Announcements & Hearing of the Public**

None.

#### **XI. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 2:57 p.m. by Senator Zhang; second by Senator Vina Wong. Hearing no objections, the motion carries.

Submitted by,

Tony Tan  
ASCSM Secretary