

Associated Students of College of San Mateo

Senate Minutes (Approved)

Monday, May 02, 2016, 2:15 p.m. College Center Building 10, College Heights Conference Room (Room 468)

I. The meeting was called to order at 2:16 p.m.

II. Roll Call

- a. Members Present: Vice President Samantha Trump; Finance Director Danuta Wang; Vice Chair James Roe; Secretary Tony Tan; Senators Kurtis Casperson, Laurie Chin, Jenine Elkady, 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 (DPGC); Senator Bella Hamzah, Erik Ferroggiaro, Grecia Mascareno; SMCCCD Student Trustee Rupinder Bajwa.
- c. Advisors Present: Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager, Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant.

III. Approval of the Agenda

a. Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Senator Jacky Wong; seconded by Senator Zhao. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

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

- **a.** Motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, April 25, 2016, meeting by Vice Chair Roe; seconded by Senator Chin. 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: congratulated to people who got into UC Berkeley. She stated that we should keep strong and do our job. She also stated that she won't be here in the next senate meeting.
 - iii. **Finance Director Wang:** stated that they will talk about closing and reallocating trust accounts.
 - iv. Vice Chair James Roe: stated that the AGS event was great.
 - v. Secretary Tony Tan: had no report.
 - vi. SMCCCD Student Trustee Rupinder Bajwa: was not present.

b. Senators

i. **Senator Elkady:** stated that there is funding available through the BSI committee to send students to the NCORE conference in late May/early June.

c. Advisor

- i. Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager, stated that there is a leadership conference in the city and the senate are invited and paid by the college. It's going to take place May 31st through June 4th. People who are interested can email Fauzi and they need to know by tomorrow's evening. Those who are eligible to go are needed to be students who are going to be returning CSM, Canada, or Skyline next year and involved into clubs or student government.
- ii. **Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant,** stated that he sent out the reminding emails for the district mixer and the deadline to rsvp the districtwide student government mixer is tomorrow by 4:30pm. We need to know how many people are coming to prepare food and stuffs. This is a great opportunity to meet other groups of student government in other colleges.

VII. Action Items

a. Appointments -- President Kaffl

Vice President Trump stated that Senator Laurie is running so we need a new person to be appointed to the Election Commission. She stated that Senator Wallace is to be appointed to the Election Commission.

Motion to approve Senator Wallace to the Election Commission by Senator Jacky Wong and seconded by Vice Chair Roe. Without objection, the motion passes.

b. Legislative Bills – Advocacy Board Chair Casperson None.

c. Funding for ASCSM Diversity Week – Cultural Awareness Board

Senator Elkady stated that next week on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday it's the diversity week. There will be an open mic by Advocacy Board on the first day of the event which is the social justice day. Pizza will be provided just like the club fair. On Wednesday burritos will be provided on cultural awareness day. There will be Peruvian dancers performing. Last day will be Unity Day and games boba drinks will be provided. There will be a map of the world and people can take pictures pointing at the world map and telling people where they are from.

Motion to approve \$5,500.00 for ASCSM Diversity Week by Senator Stein; second by Senator Kim.

Advisor Schaefer stated that we need to add \$500 cost on it in case we need to pay the faculties.

With a vote of 12 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carries

- **d.** Appointments to ASCSM Election Commission Advisor Schaefer This item has been included in Item a.
- e. Closing and Reallocation of Trust Accounts Advisors Schaefer and Hamadeh Advisor Schaefer stated that when they were doing the spring allocation and they've noticed that there are some accounts that they knew them exist but they are not being used. The account Alumni Association was there years ago when people wanted to build an Alumni Association but they never used the money. The ASCSM auxiliary Fund Reserve, Restricted Contingency Reserve, and Trust accounts reserve accounts are just sitting there and not being used. The district is coming to us and they might ask why didn't we use these moneys but increase student body fees. The Health Fair Trust account hasn't been used for 6 to 7 years since the health fair gets money from somewhere else and they noticed us that they no longer needed it so we will utilize it. For the Veterans Emergency loans, people are getting money from somewhere else and nobody is paying the loan back so this account is no longer needed. And we will combine all the accounts into Leadership Program & Training account. He stated that the new balance in this account will be around ninety thousand and we want to use this money to have something educational open up each semester for our students to learn about culture diversity.

Advisor Hamadeh stated that they had a trip several years ago as a part of winner retreat for the senate. It was a three-day event going to the museum of tolerance. The trip was going through the whole museum like holocaust exhibit and stuff about the World War II. He stated that it's a very powerful, intense, and moving experience but it's also expensive because the cost of flying, hotel, and admission to museum but it's worth it.

Advisor Schaefer stated that this will be open to all students. There will be application process and it will be competitive so we will have committee to decide who are going. He stated that this is not going to be used as club funding.

Motion to approve closing and reallocation of trust accounts by Senator Elkady; second by Senator Zhang.

With a vote of 12 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carries.

VIII. Discussion and Information Items

a. Spring Fling Debrief – Programming Board Chair Stein

Senator Stein stated that the spring fling went pretty well. Senator Zavala stated that there were lots of football players gathering there and someone was asking why people making food were wearing gloves. Advisor Schaefer stated that we require people who work there to wear gloves because we don't' want people be sick and then come back to us. Senator Stein stated that last Tuesday was terrible because three people showed up and she missed all her classes to hand out burritos but there were not enough people to have more activities and she could only hand out food to help. She stated that we need more senators coming to help. Senator Casperson stated that he was sorry for not showing up and next time we can put the sign-up and schedule on the board at student life center to know who signed up for what and who will show up.

IX. Future Agenda Items

The following items were recommended for the next ASCSM Senate meeting: none.

X. Final Announcements & Hearing of the Public None.

XI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 2:59 p.m. by Senator Hamzah Vice Chair Roe; second by Senator Mascareno. Hearing no objections, the motion carries.

Submitted by,

Tony Tan ASCSM Secretary