



Senate Minutes (Approved)

Monday, September 19, 2016, 2:15 PM

College Center Building 10, College Heights Conference Room (Room 468)

The meeting was called to order at 2:16 PM.

ROLL CALL

Members Present

Vice President Katarina Stein; Finance Director Sennai Kaffl; Vice Chair Stephen McReynolds; Secretary Andrew Darzi; Senators Luke Awwad, Ben Chettipally, Alicia Chiang, Laurie Chin, Natalia Gomez, Nabila (Bella) Hamzah, Amir Farhan Mat Kamal, Maria (Lupe) Ramirez Serratos, Katrina Relos, Colby Riley, Gabriela Topete Eng Goon, Yaxuan (Mandy) Wang, Chak Haang (Vina) Wong, Jingwei (Andy) Zhang, Jingwen (Allison) Zhao.

Members Absent

President James Roe (excused, attending District Participatory Governance Council)

Advisors Present

Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager; Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Senator Ramirez Serratos, seconded by Senator Chettipally. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS

Motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, August 29, 2016, by _____, seconded by _____. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARINGS OF THE PUBLIC

None

REPORTS

Vice President Stein reported that she had attended the Institutional Planning Committee meeting last Friday. President Claire gave a presentation regarding the trend of “promise” programs starting across the state. The key feature of such programs is free tuition for students attending a community college. CSM is in the process of developing its own program.

Finance Director Kaffl reported that he also attended the IPC meeting and that the group had also reviewed the College Index, a summary of various trends and statistics that measure various key college metrics, such as the rate of transfers to UCs and CSUs, the number of certificates awarded, etc.

Vice Chair McReynolds reminded the group that the Club Fair would take place on Wednesday, Sept. 21 and Thursday, Sept. 22. The event will take place inside Building 10 with setup scheduled from 9 AM to 10 AM. Mr. McReynolds also reported that the Academic Senate Governing Council discussed the different caps in student enrollment in place for

various courses. Governing Council is interested in hearing student feedback, and Mr. McReynolds invited anyone with thoughts on the matter to contact him.

Senator Riley reported that he had attended the Committee on Instruction and that the group approve an entrepreneurial certificate program offering.

Senator Chettipally reported that the Programming Board had held its first meeting today and is beginning to brainstorm ideas for events for the semester and year. So far, the group is considering a Halloween event and an open mic event.

Senator Topete Eng Goon reported that the Advocacy Board met for the first time and had a good turnout.

Senator Zhao reported that she had attended the joint Diversity In Action Group/Equity/Basic Skills Initiative committee meeting. The group is looking at ways to combine the missions of the two committees while still addressing the unique needs each committee serves. There is also interest in seeing additional student representation on the committees, particularly from the learning communities.

Senator Wong reported that the Cultural Awareness Board met and is planning a Latino Heritage Month event for October.

Senator Gomez stated that she has a conflict between the Committee on Instruction meeting and the Advocacy Board meeting this Thursday. She requested a substitute attend COI in her place. Senator Riley volunteered.

Student Life and Leadership Assistant Fauzi Hamadeh again reminded the group that the Club Fair would take place next Wednesday and Thursday in Building 10. So far, 23 groups have signed up to participate. Mr. Hamadeh also stated that he would be out of the office on Tuesday, Sept. 20 and Wednesday, Sept. 21 due to all-day hiring committee meetings. Finally, Mr. Hamadeh reminded the group that the College's first Respect Forum would take place on Friday, Sept. 23 in the College Heights Conference Room. Lunch will be served at 12:30 PM with the forum beginning at 1 PM.

APPOINTMENTS

In the absence of President Roe, Vice President Stein made the following appointments on his behalf:

- Senator Ramirez Serratos and students Yi Zhao, Rhona Hindi, Jiawen Zheng, and Karan Dogra to Advocacy Board
Motion to approve the appointments by Vice Chair McReynolds; second by Senator Topete Eng Goon. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- Senator Topete Eng Goon and student Michelly Hadiguria to Cultural Awareness Board
Motion to approve the appointments by Senator Riley; second by Senator Hamzah. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- Senator Topete Eng Goon to Programming Board
Motion to approve the appointment by Senator Ramirez Serratos; second by Vice Chair McReynolds. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

LEGISLATIVE BILLS

None

YEAR ONE PROGRAM

Allie Fasth, CSM's Year One Program Services Coordinator, provided an overview of the Year One program, which is intended to be a bridge for students coming from high school to CSM. The incoming high school students are identified

before they graduate and participate in a summer bridge class that helps them transition to college. The students meet regularly with counselors and participate in various community building programs to develop connections between themselves and the college. In a few weeks, the program will be hosting a parent's night. The program follows students through their first year and into their second year at the College. The program is still being built out, so there are opportunity for collaboration between various groups on the campus.

Finance Director Kaffl asked Ms. Fasth how the Senate may help support the program. Ms. Fasth stated she is still recruiting students for this year and asked the Senate to forward any freshman who graduated from high school in 2016 to her. She also asked that the Senate help generally promote and build awareness about the program.

SUPPORT FOR CSM HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ FESTIVAL

Due to the absence of Professor Mike Galisatus, this item was tabled until the next meeting.

SUPPORT FOR CSM STUDENT VETERAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Justine Evars, Program Services Coordinator for the Veterans Resource and Outreach Center, provided information about the upcoming Student Veteran Leadership Conference. The conference will bring student veterans, faculty, staff, and administrators from across California – and beyond – together to discuss ways to support student veterans. It will also provide opportunities for attendees to share best practices, learn from each other, and network. In addition, companies that specifically hire veterans will be tabling and providing opportunities. Ms. Evars is requesting \$3,000.00 from the Senate to help support the conference.

Motion to approve \$3,000.00 from the College Program Assistance account (#5032) to support the CSM Student Veteran Leadership Conference by Vice Chair McReynolds; second by Senator Riley. With a vote of 16 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

At this time, Vice President Stein stepped out of the room and passed the gavel to Vice Chair McReynolds.

SUPPORT FOR FALL 2016 CLUB FAIR

On behalf of Vice Chair McReynolds, Mr. Hamadeh explained that the funds being requested would pay for the setup for the club fair as well as pizzas to give away to students. Students will be required to visit at least four club tables before receiving pizza via a passport system. A total of \$1,000.00 is being requested, with \$600.00 for pizza and \$400.00 for setup costs. The funds being requested are not coming from the general Inter Club Council budget but rather from an account that is made up of funds from clubs that have ceased to exist at CSM.

Motion to approve \$1,000.00 from the Club Account Reserve trust account by Senator Gomez; second by Senator Wong. With a vote of 16 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

At this time, Vice President Stein returned and Vice Chair McReynolds passed back the gavel.

TITLE IX/SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS EVENT

Advisor Schaefer suggested that this event be utilized as the collaborative event between the Advocacy, Cultural Awareness, and Programming boards. Mr. Schaefer requested that each board identify two to three members to participate on a task force. Mr. Schaefer also asked for one to two members of the Senate to serve on the task force. Vice President Stein and Senator Ramirez Serratos volunteered.

ACTION STEPS FOR ASCSM GOALS FOR 2016/17

The Senate reviewed the first three goals for 2016/17 and provided the following suggestions for action steps:

Goal #1: Increase collaboration and insure greater communication among the Advocacy Board, the Cultural Awareness Board, the Programming Board, and the Student Senate.

Increase communication between the board chairs; increase the scope of some events to incorporate all boards (such as Spring Fling or the Title IX/Sexual Assault Awareness event); board chairs should attempt to attend meetings of other boards; hold a mixer with the Senate and members of the boards.

Goals #2: Increase outreach, communication, and collaboration with campus learning communities, such as EOPS, Mana, Puente, and Umoja.

Hold a joint event between the Senate and the learning communities prior to the closing of Building 17 for construction; designate liaisons between the Senate and the learning communities; conduct targeted outreach to the learning communities.

Goal #3: Provide greater support for club activities both on and off campus through Senate involvement.

Members of the Senate who are in clubs should make announcements about club events at the Senate meetings; members of the Senate should make a commitment to attend club sponsored events.

The remaining goals and related action steps will be discussed at the next meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Members of the Senate suggested the following items for future Senate meetings:

- Action steps for remaining 2016/17 goals
- Support for CSM High School Jazz Festival

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Advisor Schaefer reminded the group that applications to attend the California Community College Student Affairs Association leadership conference are due by Wednesday at noon.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 3:49 PM by Senator Chettipally; second by Senator Chin. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Submitted by,

Andrew Darzi
ASCSM Secretary