



Senate Minutes (Approved)

Monday, September 26, 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

President James Roe; 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, Jingwen (Allison) Zhao

Members Absent

Vice President Katarina Stein, Jingwei (Andy) Zhang

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 Hamzah, seconded by Senator Relos. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS

Minutes of the Monday, Sept. 19, 2016, meeting were not available. Hearing no objections, approval was tabled until the next meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARINGS OF THE PUBLIC

None

REPORTS

President James Roe reported that the District Participator Governance Council had heard the proposed increase in the Student Body Fee as an information item. The next step is to take the proposed increase to the Board of Trustees for approval. The District Student Council is interested in hosting a mixer between the three student governments in the District. Transcript notations for members of student government are still being worked out. Mr. Schaefer announced that he clarified with Vice President of Student Services Jennifer Hughes and there may be a solution in the works. Finally, Mr. Roe announced that he had compiled a weekly clean-up list for the ASCSM Office.

Finance Director Kaffl reported that he had attended a District Committee on Budget and Finance meeting and that the group discussed the ongoing District Public Safety Study. The study is still in the data collection phase with a report due in December 2016.

Secretary Darzi had no reports.

Vice Chair McReynolds praised the Senate for the excellent help during the Club Fair. Mr. McReynolds also reminded that anyone with items to be reported to the Academic Senate should let him know.

Commissioner of Publicity Chin reported that she has been meeting with staff in the Public Relations and Marketing department and is working on ways to increase social media engagement and a template for a Senate newsletter. She is also working on ways to help “break the ice” between Senators and help students understand the role of the Associated Students on campus.

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

Senator Topete Eng Goon reported that the Advocacy Board met for the second time last week and that the group is going to start looking at bills to bring to the Senate.

Senator Wang reported that the Safety Committee meeting scheduled this week is canceled due to lack of agenda items.

Student Life and Leadership Manager Schaefer announced that the attendees for the California Community College Student Affairs Association conference in October have been selected. He asked those who will be attending to stick around after the Senate meeting for a quick briefing.

Student Life and Leadership Assistant Fauzi Hamadeh asked that the CCCSAA attendees who have not completed the required paperwork to please see him sometime this week. Advisor Hamadeh reported that he and Mr. Schaefer attended the Respect Forum on Friday and it went well with a good exchange of ideas and conversations. Mr. Hamadeh commented that there were no students present, and stated that there would be future forums scheduled more conveniently for students.

Hearing no objections, Vice Chair McReynolds suspended the order of the day and took up New Action, Discussion, and Information Item A: Multicultural Center and Item B: Support for CSM High School Jazz Festival.

MULTICULTURAL CENTER

Jackie Santizo, Program Services Coordinator for the Multicultural Center, provided information about the MCC as a hub for services primarily geared towards first-generation college students, A.B. 540 students, LGBTQIA+ students, and other communities. The center is open to everyone, but provides targeted services for the aforementioned populations. The MCC is also working with the learning communities and other groups on campus to develop programming and events to bring awareness to issues of social justice. Last semester, the MCC partnered with the Cultural Awareness Board for several events, and discussions are starting to continue that relationship.

SUPPORT FOR CSM HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ FESTIVAL

CSM Professor Mike Galisatus presented the request for \$2,000.00 to support the annual High School Jazz Festival. The festival, which is in its 20th year, brings high school students from around San Mateo County to the college for a day of performances and workshops. The funding being requested from the Senate would help pay for the adjudicators who provide direct feedback to the bands. Performances go on throughout the day, and any member of the campus community may visit the Theatre to hear a performance.

Motion to approve \$2,000.00 from the College Program Assistance account (#5032) by Senator Topete Eng Goon; second by Senator Ramirez Serratos.

Finance Director Kaffl asked if any snacks or refreshments would be provided to the students participating in the event. Professor Galisatus stated that parents from Hillsdale High School setup a concession stand at the event for students. Mr. Hamadeh pointed out that the students also find their way to either the small café in Building 5 or to the cafeteria in Building 10. Mr. Schaefer stated that the offer had been made in the past to student groups to use the event as a fundraiser, but no groups had taken Professor Galisatus up on the offer.

With a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion to approve \$2,000.00 from the College Program Assistance account to support the CSM High School Jazz Festival carried.

Hearing no objections, Vice Chair McReynolds resumed the order of the day.

APPOINTMENTS

President Roe made the following appointments:

- Celeni Cano and Mondana Bathai to Advocacy Board
Motion to approve the appointment by Senator Wang; second by Senator Wong. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- Kira Roman to Programming Board
Motion to approve the appointment by Senator Chin; second by Senator Wong. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- Finance Director Kaffl to District Participatory Governance Council
Motion to approve the appointment by Senator Riley; second by Senator Chettipally. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- Senator Ramirez Serratos to District Safety Committee
Motion to approve the appointment by Senator Gomez; second by Senator Topete Eng Goon. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

LEGISLATIVE BILLS

None

ASCSM SENATE GOALS FOR 2016/17

The Senate reviewed Goals number 4 and 5 and suggested action steps to help implement them.

Goal #4: Enhance the marketing and branding of ASCSM through various means

Suggestions to support this goal included establishing events such as “Meet the ASCSM President” or “Meet a Senator;” finding ways for members of the Senate to connect more with students on campus and in classes; using social media such as Facebook and Snapchat; developing a Senate newsletter (in progress); holding a mixer with members of the Senate and the boards; and ensuring that ASCSM support is advertised through the events that the Senate helps fund.

Goal #5: Strengthen outreach to promote the goals, the mission, and the role of the Associated Students.

Mr. Hamadeh framed the discussion for this item around the questions of what is the Associated Students and what do they do? The Senate discussed educating the members of the boards to be able to answer this question when approached at ASCSM events. There was also a desire to see the members of the different boards educated about the roles of each of the other boards.

Language regarding the action steps will be finalized and brought back to the Senate for final approval.

CLUB FAIR DEBRIEF

Vice Chair McReynolds said everything went well besides some last minute clubs taking advantage of table positions and timing. Next time, clubs with late paperwork will have to miss out. Another issue was the ASCSM table being unattended. Next time we'll have to do a better job communicating with the each other and the Boards to insure staffing.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

- Action Steps approval
- Title IX Task Force update

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

EOPS hosting an event Wednesday to help students budget and control money better.

World Chat Event Wednesday in Building 10, language will be Cantonese

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 3:35 PM by Senator Riley; second by Senator Chettipally. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Submitted by,

Andrew Darzi
ASCSM Secretary