Associated Students of College of San Mateo



Student Senate Minutes (Approved)

Monday, January 22, 2018, 2:17 p.m. College Center Building 10, College Heights Conference Room (Room 468)

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:17 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: President Colby Riley, Vice President Katrina Relos, Vice Chair Spencer (Sitt) Paing,

Commissioner of Publicity Natalia Gomez Torres, Secretary Jordan Chavez; Senators Jose Barajas, Mondana Bathai, Fatima Briones, Andreas Langenbacher, Yimin Li, Claire (Linfang) Liu, Aaron Meneses, Farid Qobti, April (Youn) Thu, Gabriela Topete Eng Goon, & Mandy

(Yaxuan) Wang.

Members Absent: Senator Fatima Briones.

Advisors Present: Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Assistant; Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and

Leadership Assistant.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Senator Topete Eng Goon; seconded by Senator Bathai. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)

Motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, December 4, 2017 meeting by Senator Barajas; seconded by Senator Bathai. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

REPORTS

President Riley expressed that he was happy to see everybody and hoped that everyone enjoyed their winter recess; he indicated that he looked forward to starting off the spring semester right. Mr. Riley recalled his attendance of the recent Institutional Planning Committee meeting, stating that the college planned on undertaking an "educational master plan;" this plan by Accreditation Office encompassed numerous aspects of the campus. Information has been forwarded to various on-campus groups for feedback and recommendations.

Vice President Relos conveyed her excitement for the spring semester and hoped that fellow Senate members had a pleasant break from classes.

Vice Chair Paing hoped that everyone was doing well, and asked members to encourage clubs to request funding.

Secretary Chavez told the Board Chairs that, should their Vice Chairs need help with their minutes, they could contact him. He also recounted that Sustainability Committee had initiated planning for this year's Earth Week; the theme this year would entail careers within the field of sustainability. The committee also planned on conducting a waste audit, as well as an office E-waste drive. Mr. Chavez hoped that ASCSM and the Center for Student Life could partake in that drive, as well as other sustainability opportunities.

Senator Topete Eng Goon also attended last week's Institutional Planning Committee, reporting that Cañada College's basketball team was currently training and practicing on CSM's campus. CSM President Mike Claire began seeking out a coach for the school's possible men's basketball team, as well.

Senator Bathai detailed the professional development days that took place earlier this month and her attendance of the panel on textbooks, as well as the one on the honors program; she revealed that student participation during future flex days had yet to be determined. Ms. Bathai reminded the Senate that Reboot Week was this week, on Tuesday and Wednesday; the event would entail food and games for both days, as well as an evening event on Tuesday only. She insisted that members sign up to help out during the event.

Student Life and Leadership Manager Schaefer welcomed the Senate back to school, noting that, as usual, a few members of the Senate and boards had stepped down from their positions; as a result, there were a few vacancies for Senators and the Finance Director position. Mr. Schaefer stressed that, because of this, it was crucial for ASCSM to begin recruiting for the three boards, as well as for clubs, during Reboot Week; he highlighted that, last semester, there were a total of 44 active clubs on campus. In the future, Advisor Schaefer remarked, members should start thinking of whether or not they will run for office in the ASCSM General Election. He also thanked those who attended the recent winter leadership retreat in Los Angeles.

Student Life and Leadership Assistant Hamadeh reminded members that, if they needed to be reimbursed for expenses made during the retreat, they had to submit check request forms to the Center for Student Life as soon as possible. Mr. Hamadeh told students that should ensure that their enrollment in classes was settled for this semester, reminding them of the six-units-at-CSM requirement and 50% completion rate mandated for Senate membership. Advisor Hamadeh announced that clubs could turn in their Spring 2018 paperwork to the Student Life Center, and that the first Inter Club Council meeting would take place on Wednesday, January 31st, at 1:30 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS

President Riley made the following appointments:

Aaron Meneses, Ashley Perrilliat, & Rosemarie Taylor to Programming Board

Motion to approve the appointments by Senator Bathai; seconded by Senator Topete Eng Goon. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

April (Youn) Thu to the Senate

Motion to approve the appointment by Senator Bathai; seconded by Senator Langenbacher. By a vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

Members of the Senate lauded Ms. Thu for her exemplary work for Programming Board, as well as her leadership within the Southeast Asia Culture Club.

LEGISLATIVE BILLS

None.

SPRING 2018 REBOOT WEEK EVENT

Senator Bathai reiterated her point on volunteering for the event, also telling the Senate that contracts for games were still being negotiated, and would be confirmed at some point later that afternoon. On Tuesday, sandwiches will be served and video/arcade games and a photo booth will be presented to the students; for Tuesday evening, cupcakes and hot drinks will be served to nighttime students. On Wednesday, Cream will be handing out ice cream sandwiches, and casino games will be set up for the students.

ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR SPRING 2018 REBOOT WEEK

Additional funding for the Spring 2018 Reboot Week event will cover food and other supplies for the nighttime component of Tuesday; a variety cupcakes from Susie Cakes will be distributed to students during the event.

A total of \$3,000.00 from the 5150 Programs account was proposed to cover the purchase of supplies and food for the Reboot Week event.

Motion to approve \$3,000.00 to fund additional food and supplies for the Reboot Week event by Senator Topete Eng Goon; seconded by Senator Meneses. By a vote of 12 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

FUNDING FOR CSM TRANSFER TRIBUTE CEREMONY

At the end of each spring semester, CSM holds a ceremony honoring those who will be transferring from the college to a four-year university. This event is particularly for students who will not transfer with an AA or AS degree; the subsequent Commencement Ceremony will officially recognize those who have received such degrees. During the Transfer Tribute event, several speeches will be conducted and refreshments will be served. This year, the Transfer Tribute will take place the Thursday before Commencement, May 24th, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

A total of \$5,000.00 from the 5032 College Program Assistance account was proposed to cover the purchase of various food and supplies for the Transfer Tribute event.

Motion to approve \$5,000.00 to fund the purchase of refreshments and other supplies for the Transfer Tribute ceremony by Senator Qobti; seconded by Senator Meneses. By a vote of 12 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

FUNDING FOR ATTENDANCE AT NSLDC PRIDE CONFERENCE

To broaden the variety of experiences and opportunities for leadership development, more and more students have attended different leadership conferences. This semester, four students will be able to participate in the National Student Leadership Diversity Convention's Pride Conference in Chicago; this conference will entail interactive workshops, keynote presentations, and discussions geared towards the issues and empowerment of the LGBTQIA+ community. Leaders will learn new skills and methods of promoting diversity, inclusion, and anti-prejudice against those who identify with the LGBTQIA+ community. Applications for members of the Senate who would like to attend the conference will be due by Friday, January 26th, at 12:00 p.m.; other student leaders on campus who might not be part of ASCSM will also have the opportunity to apply.

A total of \$8,245.00 from the 5033 Conferences account was proposed to cover conference registration (of four students and one advisor), lodging, airfare, meals, and other necessities.

Motion to approve \$8,245.00 to fund attendance at the NSLDC Pride Conference in Chicago by Senator Meneses; seconded by Senator Wang. By a vote of 12 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

FUNDING FOR ASCSM SUMMER LEADERSHIP RETREAT

Each year, ASCSM holds a summer retreat for members of the Senate before the academic year begins; typically, this retreat is held towards the end of summer break, during mid-August. The retreat entails a variety of workshops, activities, and presentations that will prepare ASCSM members to be the leaders they were appointed or elected to be. Currently, a location and set of dates have yet to be determined; because retreat sites tend to get booked early, however, it was imperative to acquiring funds early in the semester.

A total of \$9,000.00 from the 5033 Conferences account was proposed to cover the costs of the retreat site, lodging, travel, food, supplies, and other necessities for the trip.

Motion to approve \$9,000.00 to fund the ASCSM Summer 2018 Retreat by Senator Barajas; seconded by Senator Liu. By a vote of 12 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Funding for 31st Art & Science Presentation by Professor Mohsen Janatpour
- Funding for Spring 2018 Club Fair
- Campus Syllabus Statement on Equity
- Debrief of Spring 2018 Reboot Week Event
- Expansion of Regular ASCSM Outreach

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Advisor Schaefer reminded everyone to sign up and help out during the Reboot Week event, noting its importance to recruitment.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:18 p.m. by Senator Barajas; seconded by Senator Topete Eng Goon. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Submitted by,

Jordan Chavez ASCSM Secretary