# **Associated Students of College of San Mateo**



# **Student Senate Minutes (Approved)**

Monday, February 26, 2018, 2:15 p.m. College Center Building 10, College Heights Conference Room (Room 468)

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL

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

Jordan Chavez; Senators Jose Barajas, Mondana Bathai, Fatima Briones, Max Gaines, Natalia Gomez Torres, Andreas Langenbacher (*late arrival*, 2:32), Claire (Linfang) Liu, Aaron Meneses,

Farid Qobti, April (Youn) Thu, & Mandy (Yaxuan) Wang.

Members Absent: Senators Yimin Li & Gabriela Topete Eng Goon.

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 Barajas; seconded by Senator Meneses. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

# APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)

Motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, February 12, 2018 meeting by Senator Gaines; seconded by Senator Meneses. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Senator Bathai reminded members to RSVP for the ASCSM Board Mixer at Gyu Kaku in downtown San Mateo during next week's flex day, March 8<sup>th</sup>.

Student Life and Leadership Assistant Hamadeh told the Senate that the next meeting for both the Senate and Programming Board will be held in Building 10, Room 195, rather than the usual conference room.

Vice Chair Paing announced that the International Education Office would be hosting a film event on March 6<sup>th</sup>; the film is a Filipino comedy with subtitles, and a Q&A/discussion will take place following the film. Mr. Paing also indicated that a silent disco to conclude Umoja's Black History Month event will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup> in the Bayview Dining Room.

Student Life and Leadership Manager Schaefer insisted that if members were sick, they stay home, so as not to spread their illness with others.

Vice President Relos and Senator Barajas declared that Senators would cover various topics on sex and sexuality, transgender awareness, and feminism for the upcoming ASCSM Feminist Week. They reminded members that the would take place from March 13<sup>th</sup> through March 15<sup>th</sup>; Tuesday would cover sex and sexuality, Wednesday would have a keynote speaker, and Thursday would cover transgender awareness.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

None.

#### LEGISLATIVE BILLS

None.

#### FUNDING FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY TOUR BY TRANSFER CLUB

Each year, the CSM Transfer Club tours several university campuses throughout California; this year, the club will tour UCLA, UCSB, USC, and CSU Long Beach. During these tours, students will have the opportunity to learn more about different schools they might transfer to through campus walks and talking to admissions representatives, current students, and other members of the universities' communities. Five chaperones will accompany the trip (on March 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>), which will accommodate about 40 students.

A total of \$3,000.00 from the 5031 Club Assistance/ICC Account was proposed to fund Transfer Club's Southern California University Tour; however, ICC rules dictate that the largest expenditure a club can request is \$2,500.00. The current request was changed to \$2,500.00; a source for the remaining \$500.00 will be found soon. This money will cover the hotel expenses for 40 students and several chaperones.

Motion to approve \$2,500.00 to fund Transfer Club's Southern California University Tour by Vice Chair Paing; seconded by Senator Thu. By a vote of 10 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstaining, the motion carried.

#### FUNDING FOR STANFORD UNIVERSITY CLINICAL ANATOMY LAB TOUR

The CSM Medical Scholars Club will be touring Stanford University's clinical anatomy lab in their R&D area; students will have the chance to see one of the most innovative research/technological centers in the country, examine human cadavers, and learn more about the human body. This trip will not only benefit students who are planning on going into the medical field, but also those who simply have an interest in science or human anatomy/physiology. A total of 28 students may have the opportunity to attend this eye-opening experience.

A total of \$1,000.00 from the Club Assistance/ICC Account was proposed to fund the Medical Scholars Club's trip to Stanford's clinical anatomy lab; fees will be \$35.00 per attendee.

Motion to approve \$1,000.00 to fund Medical Scholars Club's tour of Stanford University's clinical anatomy lab by Senator Bathai; seconded by Senator Qobti. By a vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

#### FUNDING FOR ROBOTICS CLUB SUPPLIES

Due to the absence of a representative from Robotics Club, this item was tabled for a future ASCSM Senate meeting.

#### FUNDING FOR LABYRINTH RECEPTION

In celebration of the Writers' Project's most recent issue of the *Labyrinth*, the club will be putting on a small launch party. The *Labyrinth* is a student-published literary magazine that includes creative pieces by students throughout the SMCCD, put out every semester. Funding for the reception will cover the costs of printing large posters of the magazine's cover, catering, and copies of old and new editions of the *Labyrinth*. This event will be held on March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

A total of \$1,500.00 from the 5031 Club Assistance/ICC Account was proposed to fund the Writers' Project's reception for the *Labyrinth*.

Motion to approve \$1,500.00 to cover the launch party of the *Labyrinth* by Senator Thu; seconded by Senator Briones. By a vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

# FUNDING FOR ASCSM POWER OF WORDS EVENT

This semester, ASCSM will be hosting a Unity event to educate the campus community on the impact of language. This event is inspired by the recent winter leadership retreat at the Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles. The Power of Words event will be put on by the three ASCSM Boards, with each board covering a different aspect of the power that language has on our daily lives, on legislation, and in our history. Costs for the event will cover food, supplies, t-shirt making, and potentially a speaker. The dates for this event have yet to be determined.

A total of \$2,000.00 from the 5150 Programs account was proposed to fund the Power of Words event.

Motion to approve \$2,000.00 to fund ASCSM's Power of Words event by Senator Thu; seconded by Senator Wang. By a vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

# **REPORT ON CAMPUS SAFETY**

Due to the absence of a representative from the Campus Safety Department, this item was tabled for a future ASCSM Senate meeting.

# STUDY OF CSM EDUCATIONAL MASTER PLAN

The Senate reviewed a variety of data covering information on student success, retention, basic skills, and satisfaction, among other things; this data will serve as the guidelines for goals the campus may have to improve in different areas. The Senate discussed and listed strengths that they observed in CSM, as well as weakness, opportunities for growth, and threats the campus might have in the next couple of years. A report on the implementation of improvements will be presented to the Senate later in the semester.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Funding for Robotics Club Supplies
- Funding for CSM Democrats' Movie Night
- "College for All" Initiative
- ASCSM Budget Update
- Upcoming ASCSM Events

#### FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:05 p.m. by Senator Wang; seconded by Senator Thu. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Submitted by,

Jordan Chavez ASCSM Secretary