



Student Senate Regular Meeting Minutes (Approved)

Monday, November 2, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:18 pm.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Vice President Dyana Huaraz; Finance Director Anthony Frangos; Secretary Livienna Lie; Vice Chair Andrianna Pellini; Senators Zaina Abdelrahman, Janice Cheung, Kyle Guanzon, Alec Guiulfo, Mae Ikahihifo, Suzy Ito, Jessie Liu, Anna Mahoney, Andrea Morales, Htet Thiri Naing, Hayden Noe, Megha Rai, Natalie Zamora.

Members Absent: President Joseph Nguyen (excused); Senator HaoNan Ye.

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

Others Present: Hannah Hersey

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda by Senator Ikahihifo; seconded by Senator Liu. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)

Due to the lack of prepared minutes, this item was tabled until the next meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

On behalf of the Anti-Oppression Committee of AFT, Hannah Hersey asked that the Senate assist in the distribution of a survey regarding class size. Mr. Hamadeh noted that the item would need to be placed on a future Student Senate agenda for consideration and action.

REPORTS

Senator Morales noted that the Cultural Awareness Board will be hosting a movie night to celebrate Dia de los Muertos. The event will take place after today's Student Senate meeting.

Student Life and Leadership Manager Schaefer noted that the Advocacy Board will be holding a watch party on Tuesday evening to view the election returns. Mr. Schaefer encouraged members of the Senate to attend and invite others. He remarked that folks may be feeling anxiety or worry around the election. Mr. Schaefer said that anyone in need of support could reach out to him or another member of the CSM staff or faculty that they trust. He urged everyone to stay safe given the uncertainty surrounding the election.

Student Life and Leadership Assistant Hamadeh welcomed Alec Guiulfo as the newest member of the Student Senate. He reiterated the comments Mr. Schaefer made regarding the election and again encouraged members of the Senate to support their fellow students. Mr. Hamadeh noted that it will most likely be several days, if not longer, before a winner is declared, and that this will likely prove additionally stressful for folks. Finally, Mr. Hamadeh reminded that anyone who is eligible to vote has until 8 pm on Tuesday to vote or return their mail-in ballot. Mr. Schaefer commented that there is a voting center at the Skyline College campus.

APPOINTMENTS

None.

LEGISLATIVE BILLS

None.

DEBRIEF OF ASCSM EVENTS

None.

ELECTION LETTER

On behalf of the Advocacy Board, Senators Abdelrahman and Guanzon presented an open letter to CSM students regarding the November 3 Presidential Election. The letter reiterated the Senate's commitment to support and advocating on behalf of all CSM students. It also stated the Senate's pledge to standing with Black, undocumented, LGBTQ+, and Indigenous students. The Senate reviewed the letter and made edits to enhance the clarity of its message.

Motion to approve the letter as edited by Senator Zamora; seconded by Senator Abdelrahman. With a vote of 13 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

STUDENTS ON COLLEGE HIRING COMMITTEES

Mr. Schaefer noted that there has been a push to see more participation by students on hiring committees, particularly on faculty hiring committees. He recommended establishing a task force to develop processes and procedures for identifying possible student appointments, providing compensation, and other matters. The task force would include members of the Senate, the Academic Senate President, and the Vice President of Instruction. Vice President Huaraz, Vice Chair Pellini, and Senator Zamora volunteered to serve on the task force.

Mr. Hamadeh noted that a student representative is also needed for the work group that is reviewing the student complaint process. Vice President Huaraz volunteered for that working group.

PUBLIC RELATIONS BOARD ADVERTISING REQUEST FORM

On behalf of the Public Relations Board, Senator Noe reviewed the Advertising Request Form and the process for requesting advertising support for events and activities.

ASCSM VIDEO SERIES PROJECT

This item was discussed at the Senate's prior meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- How to Be Anti-Racist Book Club
- Adobe Creative Suite Resolution (Anna)
- Classroom Size Questionnaire ([link](#))
- International Education Week prizes (5 Amazon Gift Cards @ \$25 each)
- Debrief of Student Pre-Election Forum

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 2:59 pm by Senator Noe; seconded by Senator Guanzon. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Submitted by,

Fauzi Hamadeh
Student Life and Leadership Assistant