



Associated Students of College of San Mateo

Student Senate Minutes (Approved)

Monday, March 1, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Vice President Dyana Huaraz; Vice Chair Andrianna Pellini; Finance Director Anthony Frangos; Secretary Livienna Lie; Senators Kyle Guanzon, Alec Guiulfo, Mele Ikahihifo, Suzy Ito, Jessie Liu, Anna Mahoney, Andrea Morales, Natalie Zamora

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 Ikahihifo; seconded by Senator Zamora. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)

Motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, February 22, 2021, meeting as presented by Senator Ikahihifo; seconded by Senator Mahoney. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

REPORTS

Vice President Huaraz reported that her and other presidents and vice presidents have discussed hosting a student government mixer.

Mr. Hamadeh reminded the Senate that the presidential forums that are going on, and encouraged them to participate in them in some way, as well as encourage others to do so as well.

Mr. Schaefer reminded the senate to have their videos on for future meeting so when they have guests, they are not just looking at names, they can look at faces.

APPOINTMENTS

None.

LEGISLATIVE BILLS

None.

DEBRIEF OF ASCSM EVENTS

None.

UPDATE ON DISTRICTS COVID-19 RESPONSE

Ben'Zara Minkin, SMCCCD Emergency Preparedness Manager, updated the Senate on the Covid recovery plan for the school. He talked about the EOC Structure which is the hierarchical structure in the management of an emergency. They are responsible for prevention, response, mitigation, recovery, and communications for all emergency operations. The

district health and safety plan can be accessed through the smccd website and deals with a range of procedures from sanitization, to how they respond to covid, to how we return to campus. Mr. Minkin discussed the covid data on a nation level and a campus level, throughout the year and how that effected the district and the county. Looking at the outline of students on campus as of spring, there were a totally of 538 students on campus ranging from athletics to nursing, to cosmetology. Recovery stipulations for the summer and the fall depend on mandates, political pressure, ICU capacity, infection rate, immunity and or vaccine role out, and district capacity. The hurdles in recovery consist of MOU creation for return stipulations, class occupancy, district capability's, and the fear/stigma surrounding it all. Institutionally for recovery, in the fall spring and summer, what can be remote will remain remote. For the next fall, they are looking into moving to a limited return for face-to-face instruction. There is a focus on the move back to campus being equitable. Mr. Minkin talked about the CSM testing site, the schedule, and the logistics behind it. He also discussed rumors surrounding vaccinations. CSM will most likely not be a mass vaccination site but might be a small vaccination site. Mr. Minkin recommended that the ASCSM to go on the website of a business/pharmacy such as Wallgreens or Sutter Health and to register for the vaccine and see if they accept them as they technically fall under the 1b category. There was a discussion with the Senate surrounding events and services that the campus can provide for students such as a learning center, as well as new policies as restrictions loosen and it becomes safer. Covid has forever changed the district, so distance learning is going to be something that has a staying factor even past Covid.

FUNDING GOT EOPS VIRTUAL WELLNESS EVENT

Ariana Avendono shared about EOPS's yoga/destress/self-care workshop as the students approach midterm season in March. This is to mitigate stress and to help students learn good practices. The amount requested is to cover the yoga instructor for the event. The event will happen Thursday, March 18.

Motion to approve \$150.00 from the College Program Support account, to be used for the event hosted by EOPS by Senator Ikahihifo; seconded by Vice Chair Pellini. Motion carried with a vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining.

FUNDING FOR CAMPUS PRIDE INDEX INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Evan Kaiser requested \$225 for the campus pride index registration fee. This is a self-assessment tool to identify where the campus could do more work in being more inclusive.

Motion to approve \$225.00 from the College Program Support account, to be used for the event by Senator Zamora; seconded by Senator Mahoney. Motion carried with a vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining.

FUNGING TO ATTEND CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE LGBTQ+ SUMMIT

Michael Vargas requested \$250 and \$225 to take 10 students and 3 faculty/staff to the LGBTQ+ summit in April. In past years, the summit has allowed for experiences such as queer and trans students speaking their truth to people in power and creating working relationships outside of their campuses.

Motion to approve \$475.00 from the College Program Support account, to be used for the event by Senator Zamora; seconded by Senator Liu. Motion carried with a vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining.

ENDORSEMENT OF DISTRICT UNIFORM SMOKING POLICY ADVOCAY LETTER

The Senate looked at the letter the Only Fog group drafted and are asking groups to endorse.

Motion to endorse the letter drafted by the Only Fog group by Senator Mahoney; seconded by Senator Ito. Motion carried with a vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining.

FUNDING FOR ASCSM BOARD SOCIAL EVENT

Senator Liu reported that the board social event will be pushed to March 10th.

ASCSM/MCCDC STUDENT FORUM

Senator Morales presented the plan for the student forum and then asked for feedback on said plan. The event will happen Wednesday, April 21, from 1-3pm. The topics will be based on the issues that still have not been addressed or answered from the speaking truth to power forum. The first part will be an update from the truth to power forum. The second part will be for questions/requests from students. The senate made some recommendations on people and or questions to add to the forum. There was a discussion around the logistics of letting student groups on an open area on campus to do something in person. Mr. Schaefer suggested to make the topic an agenda item for next meeting and to have President Nguyen and Vice President Huaraz bring it up at the next district council meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Space on Campus for Students to Use
- Budget Approval

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:41 p.m. by Vice Chair Pellini; seconded by Senator Liu. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Submitted by,

Livienna Lie
ASCSM Secretary