



Associated Students of College of San Mateo

## Student Senate Regular Meeting Agenda

Monday, February 28, 2022, 2:15 p.m.

**In-Person:** Center for Equity, Leadership and Community Building 17, Room 146  
College of San Mateo; 1700 W. Hillsdale Blvd.; San Mateo, CA 94402

**Via Zoom:** Join Link: <https://smccd.zoom.us/j/87482622878>  
Dial-In Number: (669) 900-9128 | Webinar ID: 874 8262 2878

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The public is invited and encouraged to attend ASCSM Student Senate meetings. All meetings are open to the public and are accessible to those with disabilities. Start times are approximate. The public may address the Student Senate on non-Agenda items during the Announcements and Hearing of the Public items on the agenda. Members of the public may participate in discussions only when recognized by the chair. The Student Senate reserves the right to suspend the orders of the day if necessary to conduct business.

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Roll Call**

**III. Approval of the Agenda**

**IV. Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)**

**V. Announcements and Hearings of the Public**

During this time, members of the public may address the Student Senate on non-agenda items. Limit of 15 minutes per topic and 3 minutes per speaker.

**VI. Reports**

**a. Officers**

- i. President Andrea Morales
- ii. Vice President Nicole Hong
- iii. Finance Director
- iv. Vice Chair Lita Kavapalu
- v. Secretary
- vi. District Student Trustee Ashley Garcia

**b. Senators**

Including reports from ASCSM boards and committees, ASCSM task forces, College and District participatory governance committees, and other boards, committees, or organizations.

**c. CSM Administration**

- i. Dr. Jennifer Taylor-Mendoza, CSM President
- ii. Kristi Ridgway, CSM Acting Vice President of Student Services
- iii. Mike Holtzclaw, CSM Vice President of Instruction

**d. Advisors**

- i. Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager
- ii. Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant

**VII. Action Items**

**a. Appointments – President Morales**

The Student Senate shall discuss and consider any and all appointments and/or recommended appointments to the Student Senate, ASCSM Boards and/or task forces, any College and/or District participatory governance committees, and/or any other appointments that may be deemed necessary. Possible action to take place.

**b. Legislative Bills – Advocacy Board Chair Chang**

The Student Senate shall discuss and consider recommendations from the Advocacy Board regarding positions on local, state, and national legislation. Possible action to take place.

- i. SB 893 (Becker) – Community colleges: San Mateo County Community College District: California College Promise

**c. Funding for Pasifika Poetry Workshop Series**

The Student Senate shall discuss and consider allocating funds to support a Pasifika Poetry workshop series sponsored by the Multicultural and Dream Center. Possible action to take place.

**d. Approval of Retroactive Funding for Black History Month Event**

The Student Senate shall discuss and consider retroactively approving funding for the recent ASCSM Black History Month event. Possible action to take place.

**e. Funding for Washington, DC Advocacy Trip**

The Student Senate shall discuss and consider allocating funds to support an advocacy trip to Washington, DC. Possible action to take place.

**f. Funding for Campus Speaker Event**

The Student Senate shall discuss and consider allocating funds to hold a campus wide speaker event. Possible action to take place.

**g. Establishment of ASCSM Election Commission**

The Student Senate shall discuss and make appointments to the ASCSM Election Commission for the upcoming spring 2022 elections. Possible action to take place.

**VIII. Information and Discussion Items**

**a. Debrief of ASCSM Events**

The Student Senate shall discuss and review any recent ASCSM events. No action to take place.

**b. Spring 2022 Campus Transition**

The Student Senate shall discuss and consider information and plans regarding the continued transition back to in-person operations at CSM for the spring 2022 semester. No action to take place.

**IX. Future Agenda Items**

During this time, members of Senate may suggest agenda items for consideration for future meetings.

**X. Final Announcements and Hearing of the Public**

During this time, members of the Student Senate and the public may voice any concluding comments. Limit of 15 minutes per topic and 3 minutes per speaker.

**XI. Adjournment**

## **Appointments**

There is no printed material related to this item.



## ASCSM Legislative Bill Report and Summary

First name: Nerissa, Christina      Last name: Chang, Bernardino      Email: nerissacha1@my.smccd.edu

**Bill Name**

Community colleges: San Mateo County Community College District: California College Promise

**Bill Number**

SB-893

**Sponsors**

Senator Becker

**Co-sponsors from Northern California**

*Max of 10*

Assembly Members Berman

Assembly Members Mullin

Empty text boxes for additional co-sponsors.

**For the Advocacy Board Meeting of**

Feb-23-2022

**For the ASCSM Senate meeting of**

Feb-28-2022

**Purpose of Bill**

The bill authorizes the SMCCD to charge students an enrollment fee of less than \$46 per unit

per semester. The governing board of the district will have to adopt a policy to establish eligibility requirements for the fee rate modifications. They will not receive state reimbursement for the difference between the fee rate charged and the \$46 per unit per semester enrollment fee. The fee rate modifications only apply to students who geographically reside within the boundary of the community college district.

**Group(s) impacted**

Students who reside within the boundary of the community college district.

**Fiscal impact (if any)**

The bill would require the San Mateo County Community College District to only use local unrestricted general funds for purposes of implementing the California College Promise for students who reside within the boundary of the community college district.

**Last action**

Referred to Com. on ED

**Current status**

Set for hearing March 9.

**Bill Description**

This bill would authorize the San Mateo County Community College District (SMCCD) to charge students an enrollment fee of less than \$46 per unit per semester.  
The bill would require the district's board to establish eligibility requirements for the reduced fees and to provide a statement showing how the fee changes would impact the district financially  
The governing board of the community college district will have to adopt a policy that establishes eligibility requirements for fee rate modifications  
The bill would specify that the San Mateo County Community College District is not eligible for state reimbursement for the difference between the fee rate charged and the \$46 per unit per semester enrollment fee.  
The bill would require the San Mateo County Community College District to only provide the fee rate modification to students who reside within the boundary of the community college district.  
In order to advance, the bill has to clear senate policy committees and a fiscal review, then it must be passed by the senate by May 27 to go on to the assembly.

**Recommended Stance and Justification**

*Support, oppose, watch? Why?*

Financial barriers prevent people from getting a post-secondary education, this bill will decrease the cost of tuition without pulling from other funds. The fee rate modifications allow tuition to be lower for local students around SMCCD. With the passing of this bill, it also allows more funding into the Promise Scholars Students to help all students. The district can only help 2000/6000+ Promise Scholars Students as of currently, passing this bill would allow the district to help all the students who are eligible for the program.

**Introduced by Senator Becker**

(Coauthors: Assembly Members Berman and Mullin)

January 31, 2022

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An act to add Sections 76302, 76303, and 76396.5 to the Education Code, relating to community colleges.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 893, as introduced, Becker. Community colleges: San Mateo County Community College District: California College Promise.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges, under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, as one of the segments of public postsecondary education in this state. Existing law requires community college districts to charge students an enrollment fee of \$46 per unit per semester.

This bill would authorize the San Mateo County Community College District to charge students an enrollment fee less than \$46 per unit per semester. If the San Mateo County Community College District charges a fee rate less than \$46 per unit per semester, the bill would require the governing board of the community college district to adopt a policy that establishes eligibility requirements for fee rate modifications, as specified, and a requirement to prepare a fiscal impact statement, including a 3-year projection of the fiscal impact of fee rate modifications on the community college district, as specified. The bill would specify that the San Mateo County Community College District is not eligible for state reimbursement for the difference between the fee rate charged and the \$46 per unit per semester enrollment fee. The bill would require the San Mateo County Community College District to only provide the fee rate modification to students who reside within the boundary of the community college district.

Existing law establishes the California College Promise, to be administered by the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges. Existing law requires the chancellor to distribute funding, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to community college districts to fund colleges that meet prescribed requirements. Existing law authorizes a community college that receives funding under the program to, among other things, waive some or all of the fees for up to 2 academic years for first-time students who are enrolled in 12 or more semester units or the equivalent at the college and complete and submit either a Free Application for Federal Student Aid or a California Dream Act application.

This bill would authorize the San Mateo County Community College District to use existing funds for the implementation of the California College Promise, and to provide assistance to students for the total cost of attendance. The bill would define total cost of attendance for a student attending a community college as including all items prescribed in a specified federal statute. The bill would require the San Mateo County Community College District to only use local unrestricted general funds for purposes of implementing the California College Promise for students who reside within the boundary of the community college district.

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the San Mateo County Community College District.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 76302 is added to the Education Code,  
2 to read:  
3 76302. Notwithstanding subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section  
4 76300, the governing board of the San Mateo County Community  
5 College District may charge a fee rate less than that prescribed by  
6 subdivision (b) of Section 76300 if all of the following  
7 requirements are met:  
8 (a) The governing board of the community college district adopts  
9 a policy that establishes eligibility requirements for fee rate  
10 modifications, including a provision that grants priority to students  
11 with the greatest financial need for fee rate modifications when

1 other fee rate modifications are not provided to those students.  
2 The policy shall include a requirement to prepare a fiscal impact  
3 statement, including a three-year projection of the fiscal impact  
4 of fee rate modifications on the community college district. The  
5 fiscal impact statement shall be presented at a public meeting of  
6 the governing board of the community college district and made  
7 available to the public.

8 (b) The community college district is not eligible for state  
9 reimbursement for the difference between the fee rate charged by  
10 the community college district and the fee rate prescribed by  
11 subdivision (b) of Section 76300 unless provided for elsewhere.

12 (c) The community college district only provides the fee rate  
13 modification to students who reside within the boundary of the  
14 community college district.

15 SEC. 2. Section 76303 is added to the Education Code, to read:

16 76303. The total cost of attendance for a student attending a  
17 community college shall be defined to include all items prescribed  
18 in Section 108711 of Title 20 of the United States Code.

19 SEC. 3. Section 76396.5 is added to the Education Code, to  
20 read:

21 76396.5. (a) (1) In addition to funding received pursuant to  
22 subdivision (b) of Section 76396, the San Mateo County  
23 Community College District may use existing funds to support the  
24 implementation of this article and to provide assistance to students  
25 for the total cost of attendance.

26 (2) The San Mateo County Community College District may  
27 only use local unrestricted general funds for the purposes described  
28 in this section for students who reside within the boundary of the  
29 community college district.

30 (b) For purposes of this section, “total cost of attendance” has  
31 the same meaning as specified in Section 76303.

32 SEC. 4. The Legislature finds and declares that a special statute  
33 is necessary and that a general statute cannot be made applicable  
34 within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California  
35 Constitution because of the unique circumstances of the San Mateo  
36 County Community College District that necessitate greater  
37 flexibility in the use of local resources to support students basic



- 1 needs and removal of financial barriers for students to access higher
- 2 education in a high cost-of-living region.

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# Funding Proposal

For the meeting of Monday, February 28, 2022

Title of Proposal Funding for Pasifika Poetry Workshop Series

Being Proposed by Leila Tamale <sup>Lead</sup> Leila Tamale <sub>Coordinator</sub>

Event Date(s) March 9, March 16, March 23, April 6, 2022

Forwarded to the Student Senate by:

- Executive Cabinet
- Advocacy
- Cultural Awareness
- Programming
- ICC
- Other

ASCSM Account **5032 College Program Assistance**

## DESCRIPTION

The Pasifika Poetry Workshop Series is a collaboration between the MCCDC, national social justice organization Empowering Pacific Islander Communities (EPIC), and the Mana Learning Community. The purpose of this program, which will be made up of 4 workshops taking place over the course of 5 weeks with one week of break, is to fight back against the invisibility and misrepresentation faced by the Pasifika community, using the ancient oral tradition of our ancestors. Using Oceania epistemologies and values as a guiding framework, these workshops will develop 8-12 Pasifika CSM students into storytellers who can take the skills they've learned from poetry and creative expression and apply them towards other arenas of their life, especially within social justice and activism. Rooted in Pasifika culture, we will collectively sift through each youth's passions to uncover their "why"/purpose as we envision liberation and materialize it through our words and voices - and in turn, action. By the end of these workshops, I want each participant to see the mana within them, and feel mafana (inwardly warm or exhilarated) about the work they've done and will continue to do.

We currently have a \$2,500 budget that is being spent on honorariums for workshop hosts, incentive cards for the students, and various materials such as Pasifika-authored poetry books to inspire participants and continue their education outside of the workshops. However, due to budget limitations and policies not allowing us to use MCCDC funds to purchase food, we would greatly appreciate the help of the ASCSM Student Senate in purchasing food and meals for our students. These workshops will take place in a hybrid fashion in the early evenings, from 4:30-6:30pm PST on the aforementioned dates, so we are hoping to provide our students with meals at each workshop. In order to be as economical as possible, we propose the first 4 workshop meals be a cheaper, finger food, such as pizza from Costco. As there could be a maximum of 12 students as well as myself, program volunteers, and workshop hosts present, we have planned for 4 pizzas (\$10 each) at each of the first three workshops, totaling \$40 for each week and \$120 total for the pizzas. Since these first three meals are on the inexpensive side, we are hoping to treat our students and honor their time and hard work throughout the program with a nicer meal for our last session, which will be a graduation and celebratory session. For this meal we have budgeted according to the standard SMCCD travel and conference meal quote of \$30 per person, totaling \$360 for the 12 students. Lastly, in the supplementary materials box we provide the students with prior to the program (with items such as a poetry journal and the mentioned Pasifika poetry books), we'd like to add in a couple small packaged snacks to add in a "care package" quality to these educational materials. For this we have budgeted \$10 per student, totaling \$120.

For these three proposed food and meal items (pizza, graduation meal, and snacks), the total is \$600, and we've estimated about \$70 in potential taxes, bringing the total with taxes and fees included to \$670.

We anticipate this being an extremely beneficial program for the personal and academic growth of our Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander students at CSM, and would greatly appreciate any help the ASCSM Student Senate can provide to make this program as impactful as possible to our Pasifika students, who constitute one of the most

underrepresented student populations in higher education. Please let me know if these costs seem reasonable, thank you for your time!

Item Description	Cost
1. <u>Pizza</u>	<u>\$135.00</u>
2. <u>Workshop Graduation Meal</u>	<u>\$400.00</u>
3. <u>Snacks for Supplementary Materials Boxes</u>	<u>\$135.00</u>
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____
Total Funding Request	<u>\$670.00</u>

For ASCSM Secretary Use Only

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Second by \_\_\_\_\_  
Result of Vote    In Favor \_\_\_\_\_    Opposed \_\_\_\_\_    Abstained \_\_\_\_\_    Passed \_\_\_\_\_    Failed \_\_\_\_\_



# Funding Proposal

For the meeting of Monday, February 28, 2022

Title of Proposal Approval of Retroactive Funding for Black History Month Event

Being Proposed by Cultural Awareness Board Lead Coordinator Brittany Arriharan and Lita Kavapalu

Event Date(s) Wednesday, February 23, 2022

Forwarded to the Student Senate by:

Executive Cabinet    Advocacy    Cultural Awareness    Programming    ICC    Other

ASCSM Account **5050 Ethnic and Cultural Affairs**

### DESCRIPTION

Article VII, Section 3 of the ASCSM Bylaws allows the Student Senate to approve retroactive funding in "extraordinary circumstances" if the request is first approved by a majority of Executive Cabinet and the student life and leadership manager. The approval requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Student Senate.

Due to the four-day Presidents Day holiday, planning for the Black History Month event held on Wednesday, February 23, was delayed. Booking panelists, ordering food, and requesting a setup in Building 10 also took extra time. Because of the timeliness of the event and the desire to provide programming during Black History Month, the Cultural Awareness Board moved forward with the event after getting approval from the student life and leadership manager and a majority of Executive Cabinet. The event took the form of a panel with African American faculty, staff, and administrators from CSM. Claire Mack, a CSM alumna and former mayor of San Mateo, also participated. After the event, traditional "soul food" was served.

This proposal would approve retroactive funding for the Black History Month event.

Item Description	Cost
1. <u>Food</u>	<u>\$1,100.00</u>
2. <u>Facilities Setup</u>	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____
<b>Total Funding Request</b>	<b><u>\$3,000.00</u></b>

For ASCSM Secretary Use Only

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Second by \_\_\_\_\_  
Result of Vote    In Favor \_\_\_\_\_    Opposed \_\_\_\_\_    Abstained \_\_\_\_\_    Passed \_\_\_\_\_    Failed \_\_\_\_\_





# Funding Proposal

For the meeting of Monday, February 28, 2022

Title of Proposal Funding for Campus Speaker Event

Being Proposed by President Morales Lead Coordinator President Morales

Event Date(s) TBD

Forwarded to the Student Senate by:

Executive Cabinet     Advocacy     Cultural Awareness     Programming     ICC     Other

ASCSM Account ASCSM Reserves

### DESCRIPTION

To secure a marquee speaker to bring to campus. The name of the speaker and the final amount of the contract will be reported back to the Student Senate prior to the event taking place.

Item Description	Cost
1. <u>Campus Speaker</u>	<u>Not to exceed \$20,000.00</u>
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____
<b>Total Funding Request</b>	
_____	

For ASCSM Secretary Use Only

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Second by \_\_\_\_\_  
Result of Vote    In Favor \_\_\_\_\_    Opposed \_\_\_\_\_    Abstained \_\_\_\_\_    Passed \_\_\_\_\_    Failed \_\_\_\_\_

## **Establishment of ASCSM Election Commission**

As per Article II, Section 2 of the ASCSM Constitution,

- 2.1 All ASCSM elections, regular or special, shall be conducted under the authority and governance of this Constitution, the ASCSM Bylaws, the ASCSM Election Bylaws, and the ASCSM Election Commission.
  - 2.2 The Election Commission shall be comprised of the following individuals:
    - a. The ASCSM Vice President, who shall service as co-chair, unless he or she is a candidate for office or otherwise unable to fulfill this duty, in which case the next ASCSM Officer in the line of succession shall fulfill the required duties.
    - b. At least three (3) members of the Student Senate who are not candidates for office or otherwise unable to fulfill this duty.
    - c. The Student Life and Leadership Manager, or his or her designee, who shall serve as co-chair.
    - d. The Student Life and Leadership Assistant, who shall serve as an ex-officio member and Secretary.
  - 2.3 The Election Commission shall certify compliance with election rules and regulations, certify election results, and shall be the final body adjudicating disputes and complaints.
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- 2.6 In carrying out its responsibilities, the Election Commission shall comply with ASCSM governing laws, including this Constitution, Bylaws, and the Ralph M. Brown Act.

## **Debrief of ASCSM Events**

There is no printed material related to this item.