



## Student Senate Regular Meeting Minutes (Approved)

Monday, August 1, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 2:22 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Members Present: President Andrea Morales; Vice Chair Jane Petelo; Senators Carissa Chang, Amrit Dhillon, Shun Myat Wai Ko, Michelle Lopez Grijalva, Aung Phone Myat, Czar Ryan Palomar, Brittany Shive, May Phyu Sin, Alex Stonehewer Bird

Members Absent: Vice President Enzo Ferreira; Senators Michelle Aguilar, Sydney Bao, Iris Budiman

Advisors Present: Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager; Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant; Mondana Bathai, Staff Assistant

### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Senator Myat; seconded by Senator Palomar. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)

Hearing no objections, this item was tabled until the next meeting.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARINGS OF THE PUBLIC

None.

### REPORTS

Vice Chair Petelo announced that Welcome Week will take place during the second week of the fall semester. She asked that members sign up to help with the event. Senator Palomar will share more later during the meeting.

Mr. Schaefer reminded members of the Student Senate to sign-up to attend the leadership retreat and to volunteer for the Welcome Day event on Wednesday, August 10. He noted that everyone is expected to be at the Welcome Day event unless there are extenuating circumstances.

### APPOINTMENTS

None.

### UPDATE ON PLANS FOR FALL 2022 WELCOME WEEK EVENT

Senator Palomar reported that Welcome Week will take place on Wednesday, August 24, and Thursday, August 25. On Wednesday, August 24, there will be introductions and welcome speeches by the College administration as well as members of the Associated Students. These presentations will take place inside College Center Building 10 in the Bayview Dining Room. Sandwiches and drinks will be distributed to students between 11:30 am and 1:30 pm. On Thursday, August 25, games and other activities will be setup

outside College Center Building 10. Snacks, donuts, and other refreshments will be distributed.

### **FUNDING FOR WELCOME DAY**

Mr. Schaefer explained that the annual Welcome Day event is usually funded by revenue generated through the on-campus vending machines. However, due to the pandemic, vending income has been severely limited and is now one-tenth of its pre-pandemic levels. Therefore, Mr. Schaefer is asking the Student Senate to help support Welcome Day by allocating funds to support the event. Mr. Schaefer says that the funds may not ultimately be needed, but he would like it to be available just in case.

Motion to approve allocating \$5,000.00 from the College Program Support account (#5032) to support Welcome Day by Senator Palomar; seconded by Senator Dhillon. The motion carried with 9 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining.

### **ASCSM IDEAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM PRESENTATION**

President Morales presented information on the ASCSM IDEAL Fellowship, a partnership between the Associated Students and the College that will allow students the opportunity to examine policies and procedures and develop recommendations to make them more just and equitable. The fellowship will be coordinated by a student lead with support from the Office of Equity and the Center for Student Life. Any student will be able to participate in the program, including undocumented students. Participants in the fellowship and student coordinators will be provided stipends. Financial support will be provided by the College and ASCSM. President Morales is hoping to do a soft launch the fellowship program during the fall semester with a broader roll out in the spring.

### **SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK EVENT**

President Morales reported that the Multicultural Center is interested in partnering with the Associated Students to plan and support the Social Justice Conference in the spring. The first Social Justice Conference was held in April 2022. The hope is that the Cultural Awareness Board will be deeply involved in the planning for the spring 2023 conference. President Morales noted that a lot planning went into the first conference, so it is vital that arrangements start being made in the fall. Ms. Morales asked that anyone who is interested in being a part of the planning process contact her directly.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Support for Welcome Day
- Welcome Week Update

### **FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 3:04 p.m. by Senator Dhillon; seconded by Senator Shive. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Submitted by,

Fauzi Hamadeh  
Student Life and Leadership Assistant