



## Student Senate Regular Meeting Minutes (Approved)

Monday, March 4, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 2:17 pm.

### ROLL CALL

Members Present: President Enzo Ferreira; Vice President Brittany Shive; Finance Director Montse Morales; Vice Chair Ryan Luftman; Secretary Lianna Lim; Senators Andy Cheng, Jasper Cheng, Marlo Cowan, Luana Ferreira, Ashley Phyu, Antu Sosa, Megan Sullivan, Paola Tagashira, Eugene Teng

Members Absent: Senators Jake Austin, Michelle Lopez Grijalva

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

Others Present: Student Trustee Arthur Veloso; CSM Interim Vice President of Student Services Alex Guiriba

### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Vice Chair Luftman, seconded by Senator Cowan. Hearing no objections, the motion was carried.

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

Motion to approve the minutes of Monday, February 26, 2024, meeting as presented by Senator Cheng, seconded by Senator Tagashira. Hearing no objections, the motion was carried.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

### REPORTS

In his role as a Mental Health Peer Educator, President Ferreira said that the Love and Wellness Relationship Group that he is organizing will be meeting in Building 5, Room 339 from 2 pm to 3 pm starting March 7.

Student Trustee Arthur Veloso reported that at its last meeting, the Board of Trustees voted to increase the non-resident tuition fee by 2.5% for the 2024-2025 academic year, which will raise the fee by \$9 per unit. This increase is mandated by the California Education Code. The Board adopted the smallest increase it could under the law. Board President John Pimentel did put forward a proposal to tack on a \$77 per unit Capital Outlay Fee, but that was rejected by the other trustees. Student Trustee Veloso asked members of the student government to let the Board of Trustees know about the real-world impact of tuition increases.

Vice President Shive mentioned that the Board of Trustees has adopted a change to the election process for student trustee. She asked Student Trustee Veloso if he was aware of the change and if he had any additional information. Student Trustee Veloso said that he is not familiar with the change, but that he will be researching the matter and bringing back more information. Mr. Schaefer noted that the revised Board Policy was adopted in November 2023.

Senator Ferreira said that she sent a survey to members of the Senate regarding the refurbishment of the ASCSM Office and only one person responded. She will be resending the link and asked everyone to provide feedback.

Senator Tagashira reported that the Committee on Teaching and Learning discussed how faculty can be trained to use the Canvas platform more effectively.

Interim Vice President of Student Services Alex Guiriba said that the College has extended an invitation to alumnus Lori Chen to be this year's Commencement keynote speaker. Ms. Chen was involved with the Associated Students and was a founding member of the Psychology Club. Ms. Chen is currently finishing her Master's and Doctorate in Clinical Psychology.

Mr. Guiriba also said that nominations for the Campus Life and Leadership Awards are due by Friday, March 15. The awards will be presented on Thursday, April 26, in the Bayview Dining Room in Buildin 10.

Student Life and Leadership Manager Aaron Schaefer encouraged folks to submit nominations for the Campus Life and Leadership Awards. He said that no one should assume that someone they feel deserves the award will automatically be nominated.

Student Life and Leadership Staff Assistant Mondana Bathai said that the planning committee is looking for student performers for the Campus Life and Leadership Awards Ceremony. Anyone interested should contact Ms. Bathai directly.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

President Ferreira made the following appointments:

- Wai Yan Oo to the Programming Board  
Motion to approve the appointment by Senator Ferreria, seconded by Vice Chair Luftman. Hearing no objections, the motion was carried.
- Maya Hmu Han to the Cultural Awareness Board  
Motion to approve by Vice Chair Luftman; seconded by Senator Sosa. Hearing no objections, the motion was carried.
- Aidana Rysbekova to the Student Senate  
Motion to approve by Senator Ferreira; seconded by Senator Cheng. The motion was carried with all members present voting in favor.

## **FUNDING FOR WORLD GALA EVENT**

The International Education Program is organizing the annual World Gala event. The event is a combination fashion show, dance party, and performances that highlight the different cultures represented at CSM. IEP is asking for support this year for food for the event.

Motion to approve \$5,000.00 from the College Program Assistance account (#5032) to support the annual World Gala event by Vice Chair Luftman; seconded by Senator Sosa. The motion was carried with all members present voting in favor.

## **FUNDING FOR ASCSM ELECTION RECRUITMENT PROMOTION EVENT**

President Ferreria said that he would like to hold a recruitment event to raise awareness of ASCSM and encourage students to get engaged with student government for next year. The event will be March 13 from 11 am to 2 pm.

Motion to approve \$3,500 from the Publicity account (#5151) to support an ASCSM recruitment event by Senator Ferreria; seconded by Senator Teng. The motion was carried with all members present voting in favor.

## **DEBRIEF OF ASCSM EVENTS**

Senator Ferreria said that the performances were good, and the event went well. There were times when the space was empty. Some people were getting food then leaving. There was also an issue with ordering the right food for the event. Senator Sosa said that there were times that people weren't at the event, and it looked empty. Senator Phyu said that the event was very successful considering the circumstances.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Spring Fling Budget Proposal

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

Student Life and Leadership Staff Assistant Mondana Bathai said that anyone interested in serving on the review committees for the Campus Life and Leadership Awards should contact her directly.

Student Life and Leadership Assistant Hamadeh reminded the group that the Election Day for the March 5 Primary is tomorrow.

Senator Phyu said anyone interested in helping to plan the Spring Fling event should attend the next Programming Board meeting on Tuesday.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 2:57 pm by Vice Luftman; seconded by Senator Sosa. Hearing no objections, the motion was carried.

Submitted by,

Lianna Lim  
ASCSM Secretary