



Associated Students of College of San Mateo

Student Senate Regular Meeting Agenda

Monday, June 10, 2024, 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/81789020000>
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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.

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Swearing In**
3. **Roll Call**
4. **Approval of the Agenda**
5. **Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)**
6. **Announcements and Hearings of the Public**
During this time, members of the public may address the Senate on non-agenda items. Limit of 15 minutes per topic and 3 minutes per speaker.
7. **Reports**
 - a. **Officers**
 - i. President Anthony Pena Vasquez
 - ii. Vice President Aidana Rysbekova
 - iii. Finance Director Diana Kunze
 - iv. Vice Chair
 - v. Secretary Vanshika Sharma
 - vi. District Student Trustee Chloe Johnson
 - 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. **College of San Mateo Administration**
Including the College president, the vice president of Student Services, members of the executive leadership team, deans, and any other College administrators wishing to report to the Student Senate.
 - d. **Advisors**
 - i. Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager
 - ii. Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant
 - iii. Mondana Bathai, Student Life Staff Assistant

- 8. Appointments – President Vasquez**
The 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.
- 9. Introductions and Ice Breaker**
The Senate shall engage in an activity to introduce and get to know the new members of the Senate. No action to take place.
- 10. Introduction and Overview of Student Government**
The Senate shall review and discuss a presentation on the role and function of the student government at CSM. No action to take place.
- 11. Parliamentary Procedure (Robert’s Rules of Order)**
The Senate shall review and discuss parliamentary procedure and Robert’s Rules of Order. No action to take place.
- 12. Overview of the Ralph M. Brown Act**
The Senate shall review and discuss the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code § 54950 *et seq.*) and its applicability to student body government. No action to take place.
- 13. Approval of Leaves of Absence for Summer 2024**
The Senate shall discuss and consider approving the leaves of absence for members of the Senate for the Summer 2024 session. Possible action to take place.
- 14. Communication Strategies**
The Senate shall discuss and consider strategies for effective communication among members. Possible action to take place.
- 15. Future Agenda Items**
During this time, members of the Senate may suggest agenda items for consideration for future meetings.
- 16. Final Announcements and Hearing of the Public**
During this time, members of the Senate and the public may voice any concluding comments. Limit of 15 minutes per topic and 3 minutes per speaker.
- 17. Adjournment**

ASCSM Oath of Office

I, <<state your name>>, do solemnly swear to uphold the Constitution of the Associated Students of College of San Mateo. I commit myself to making fair, ethical and informed decisions about issues that affect students while keeping their best interests at heart. I will ensure an open, supportive, and welcoming environment for our students and surrounding community. Finally, I will strive to be a positive role model who leads by example, both in academic and extra-curricular programs.

Student Senate Regular Meeting Minutes (Unapproved)

Monday, May 6, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 2:16 pm.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: President Enzo Ferreira; Vice President Brittany Shive; Finance Director Montse Morales; Secretary Lianna Lim; Senators Andy Cheng, Jasper Cheng, Marlo Cowan, Haley Donoho, Luana Ferreira, Michael Llanell, Ryan Luftman, Ashley Phyu, Aidana Rysbekova, Antu Sosa, Eugene Teng

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

Others Present: Alex Guiriba, CSM Interim Vice President of Student Services

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Senator Rysbekova; seconded by Chair Luftman. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)

Motion to approve the minutes of April 15, 2024, as presented by Vice Chair Luftman; seconded by Senator Teng. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of April 22, 2024, as presented by Senator Teng; seconded by Vice Chair Luftman. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of April 29, 2024, as presented by Senator Teng; seconded by Senator Cheng. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

REPORTS

President Ferreria and Vice President Shive reminded the group that the end of year mixer would take place next Monday, May 13, during the Senate's usual meeting time.

Student Life and Leadership Manager Aaron Schaefer congratulated the Senate on creating an engaging environment for students over the past year. He said that next year's Senate is poised to have a great year due to the efforts of this year's group. Mr. Schaefer announced that the Center for Student Life will be hiring at least two additional student interns for the Fall 2024 semester.

Interim Vice President of Student Services Alex Guiriba said that the recent World Gala event was a success. He also reported that final interviews for the position of vice president of administrative services are moving forward.

Student Life and Leadership Assistant Fauzi Hamadeh said that the Senate should be proud of everything that it has accomplished over the past year.

APPOINTMENTS

None.

FUNDING FOR PRINTING OF *THE LABYRINTH*

The Writers' Project is requesting \$1,000.00 to support the printing of the latest issue of *The Labyrinth*, the group's literary magazine.

Motion to approve \$1,000.00 from the Club Assistance/ICC account (#5031) to support printing of *The Labyrinth* by Vice Chair Luftman, seconded by Senator Teng. The motion was carried with all members present voting in favor.

FUNDING FOR STUDY LOUNGE

This is the final study lounge sponsored by the Chinese Students and Scholars Association for the academic year. The study lounge will be an opportunity for students to prepare for finals.

Motion to approve \$1,000.00 from the Club Assistance/ICC account (#5031) to support the CSSA Study Lounge by Vice Chair Senator Luftman, seconded by Senator Cheng. The motion was carried with all members present voting in favor.

FUNDING FOR FINAL MEETING AND TRANSFER RESULTS CELEBRATION

The Transfer Club will hold its final meeting of the semester next Monday. The funding will support refreshments for the meeting where the group will share the results of their transfer applications.

Motion to approve \$638.97 from the Club Assistance/ICC account (#5031) to support the Transfer Club's final meeting of the semester by Senator Donoho, seconded by Vice Chair Luftman. The motion was carried with all members present voting in favor.

STATEMENT REGARDING CONFLICT IN GAZA

Motion to approve the Senate's Statement Regarding Conflict in Gaza by Senator Teng; seconded by Senator Cheng.

Members of the public suggested changing the word "debate" to "educate" and the phrase "dignity and peace" to "imposed on." The Senate agreed to these changes.

The motion to approve the Statement Regarding Conflict in Gaza was carried with all members present voting in favor.

DEBRIEF OF ASCSM EVENTS

Media Literacy Event

Senator Cheng said that the event was small but that the information shared was important. The restaurant did not deliver the food order, but it otherwise went well.

Spring Fling

The members of the Programming Board were congratulated for staging such a successful Spring Fling event. Several folks said that it was the biggest Spring Fling they can remember being held at CSM in a long time.

RECAP AND DEBRIEF OF 2023-2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

The Senate discussed and reflected on the 2023-2024 academic year. There was consensus that the group achieved its goal of holding larger events with more student engagement. While there were some missteps throughout the year, overall, the Senate felt that it effectively enhanced campus life. The group also recognized the collaboration that took place with other campus groups and the support for student clubs and organizations. It was noted that events that had been pioneered by the Student Senate, such as the Drag Show, are now being institutionalized by the college. The Senate also felt that the group did an effective job representing the student voice in the college and district participatory governance process.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Final reminder that the end of year mixer next Monday, May 13.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 3:02 pm by Senator Phyu; seconded by Senator Llanell. Hearing no objections, the motion was carried.

Submitted by,

Lianna Lim
ASCSM Secretary

Agenda Item #8: Appointments

The 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.

Agenda Item #9: Introductions and Ice Breaker

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Agenda Item #10: Introduction and Overview of Student Government

The Senate shall review and discuss a presentation on the role and function of the student government at CSM. No action to take place.

Agenda Item #11: Parliamentary Procedure (Robert's Rules of Order)

The Senate shall review and discuss parliamentary procedure and Robert's Rules of Order. No action to take place.

Agenda Item #12: Overview of the Ralph M. Brown Act

The Senate shall review and discuss the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code § 54950 *et seq.*) and its applicability to student body government. No action to take place.

Agenda Item #13

TO: ASCSM Student Senate
FROM: Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager
PREPARED BY: Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant

APPROVAL OF LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR SUMMER 2024

The ASCSM Constitution allows the Student Senate to grant leaves of absence for senators during a summer session (Article III, Section 1.6.1). Leaves of absence may only be granted during the summer for “extenuating circumstances,” which has been interpreted to mean extended travel during the summer months, unavoidable class scheduling conflicts, and situations where international students may have to return to their home countries for the summer.

For the Summer 2024 session, the following senator is requesting a leave of absence for the indicated reasons:

Name	Reason
Jing Ee Ong	Returning to home country for summer internship

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Student Senate approve the leave of absence for the above indicated senator for the Summer 2024 session.

Agenda Item #14: Communication Strategies

The Senate shall discuss and consider strategies for effective communication among members. Possible action to take place.