



Student Senate Minutes Approved

Monday, September 8, 2014

2:15 pm

College of San Mateo, College Center, College Heights Conference Room (Building 10, Room 468)

I. The meeting was called to order at 2:15 PM.

II. Roll Call

Members Present: President Maggie Garcia; Vice President Javokhir Inatov; Vice Chair Danuta Wang, Secretary Tim Exner, Senators Daria Anshakova, Reuben Ayestas, Francisco Duarte, Eric Ferroggiaro, Marissa Garcia, Elim Kan, Caroline Khoury, Yifei Oliver Li, Xue Li, Taniela Mapa, Samantha Trump, Winnie Wu, Yanrui Xu, Haoran Kevin Yu, George Silva.

III. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda by Senator Erik and Seconded by Senator Wu hearing no objections the motion is carried.

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

Motion to approve the Minutes from prior meeting by Senator Duarte and Seconded by Senator Wang hearing no objections the motion is carried.

V. Announcements & Hearing of the Public (15 minutes per topic, 3 minutes per speaker)

None.

VI. Reports

a. Officers

1. President Maggie Garcia thanked everyone for a great Welcome Week event.
2. Vice President Javokhir Inatov had no report.
3. Finance Director Lana Bakour had no report.
4. Vice Chair Danuta Wang reported that the first ICC meeting was held last week. Twenty clubs were present, but only a handful had completed the required paperwork.
5. Secretary Tim Exner had no report.

b. Senators

Senator Ferroggiaro thanked Senator Garcia for a great Welcome Day.

c. Advisors

1. Advisor Hamadeh apologized on behalf of Advisor Schaefer who was not feeling well and had to leave early. Mr. Hamadeh reported that the Center for Student Life had completed eligibility checks for members of the Senate. In addition, Mr. Hamadeh urged members of the Senate to review the College's Student Success Plan, Accreditation Follow-Up Report, and Student Equity Plan, all of which were sent out via the list-serve. Vice President of Student Services of Jennifer Hughes will be at the Monday, September 22 meeting to provide additional information.

Due to the temporary absence of President Garcia, Vice President Inatov requested that the order of the day be suspended and the Senate take up the Transfer Day Funding Proposal. Hearing no objections, the order of the day was suspended.

Transfer Day Funding Proposal

Transfer Club President Xu explained that the club would like to distribute pizza to students as part of Club Day on Monday, September 15. The event is an opportunity for students to learn about transfer opportunities to colleges and universities throughout the country. Representatives from over 60 universities will be in attendance.

Motion to approve \$250.00 from the Club Assistance/ICC account (#5031) by Senator Duarte; seconded by Senator Ferroggiaro.

Senator Ferroggiaro asked whether letters had been sent to colleges and universities inviting them to attend the fair. Ms. Xu indicated that Mike Mitchell, the Transfer Center Coordinator, was coordinating attendees and she believed that yes, such letters had been sent out. Senator Trump asked if credit would be offered for attending the fair. Ms. Xu said that in the past some professors had offered extra credit to students for attending. Senator Silva asked if any branches of the U.S. military had been invited. Mr. Hamadeh reminded the Senate to focus on the proposal at hand, which only deals with funding for pizza for the event.

Senator Silva suggested that perhaps the funding was not enough for the number of pizzas to be distributed. Senator Ferroggiaro motioned to amend the proposal to change the amount to \$500.00. Senator Silva seconded the motion. Mr. Hamadeh asked Transfer Club President Xu if the group wanted that much funding. Ms. Xu indicated that maybe \$300.00 would be enough. Mr. Hamadeh asked if Senators Ferroggiaro and Silva would agree to a friendly amendment increasing the amount of the proposal to \$300.00. Both senators agreed.

By a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstaining, the motion to approve \$300.00 for pizza for Transfer Day from the Club Assistance/ICC account (#5031) carries.

Hearing no objections, the order of the day was resumed.

VII. Unfinished Action, Discussion, and Information Items

a. Appointments – President Garcia

President Garcia made the following appointments:

Participatory Governance Committees

- Senator Yu to College Council
- Senator Silva to Committee on Instruction
- Senator Mapa to Student Services Council
- Senator Y. Li to DIAG Planning
- Senator Khoury to Campus Safety Committee
- Vice Chair Wang to International Education Committee

Motion to approve the above appointments by Vice Chair Wang, seconded by Senator Silva. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

- Senator Xu to Distance Education & Technology Committee

- Senators Ferroggiaro and Garcia to CASAC/DASAC
Motion to approve the above appointments by Senator Y. Li, seconded by Senator Trump. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- Senator Silva to District Strategic Planning Committee
Motion to approve the above appointments by Senator Ferroggiaro, seconded by Senator X. Li. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Advocacy Board

- Sennai Kaffl
Motion to approve the above appointments by Vice Chair Wang, seconded by Senator Duarte. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Programming Board

- Marissa Landis
Motion to approve by Senator Ferroggiaro, seconded by Senator Silva. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- Joey Wong
Motion to approve by Vice Chair Wang, seconded by Senator Wu. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- Francheska Loy
Motion to approve by Senator Silva, seconded by Senator Trump. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- Josue Leal
Motion to approve by Vice Chair Wang, seconded by Senator Duarte. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Cultural Awareness Board

- Marco Zavala
Motion to approve by Senator Silva, seconded by Senator X. Li. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

b. Legislative Bills – Advocacy Board Chair Trump

None.

VII. New Action, Discussion, and Information Items

b. Senate Goals

President Garcia presented the proposed goals for the Senate for 2014/15. They are:

1. Continuous recruitment and support for all ASCSM Boards.
2. Engage in more proactive public relations activities.
3. Participate in community volunteer work that has a broad impact.
4. Create a monthly newsletter to promote A.S. and club activities, and create a “Student of the Month” feature.

5. Ensure all members of the Senate are engaged and hold each other accountable for our teamwork.

President Garcia asked for feedback from the Senate. Several members indicated that these were goals that they would support. Senator Mapa said he liked the goals, but thought they were broad and needed more specificity. Advisor Hamadeh explained that the goals were intentionally broad and that the Senate would next work to identify specific action steps for each one.

Motion to approve the Senate Goals for 2014/15 by Senator Ferroggiario; seconded by Senator Silva. With a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carries.

c. Welcome Week - Feedback

The Senate discussed the recent Welcome Week event and provided feedback regarding the event. The giveaways and the interactive games received a lot of positive feedback. There were questions about the quantity of the giveaways, particularly the bags, and the food. Mr. Hamadeh said the Senate could consider increasing the amount of both, but that it would be an increased cost. Finance Director Bakour commended Senator Garcia for her work on planning the event. Mr. Hamadeh recognized the contributions of all the members of the Senate and encouraged the group to continue to be engaged. Senator Silva suggested finding ways to emphasize that the event is being sponsored by ASCSM, which is the student government, and not the College. Vice President Inatov suggested the Senate explore the possibility of making short “commercials” to play on the screens in College Center promoting the A.S. President Garcia encouraged everyone to remember to wear their ASCSM apparel on event days. Mr. Hamadeh indicated that for future events, a Prep Room Clean-Up Day needs to be scheduled. While the Prep Room was not available for this event – due to extenuating circumstances – it would be utilized in the future and would need to be cleaned.

IX. Future Agenda Items

The following items were suggested for the next Senate agenda:

- Senator Ferroggiario would like to discuss ways to assist evening students
- President Garcia would like to discuss forming task forces for the various goals

X. Final Announcements & Hearing of the Public (15 minutes per topic, 3 minutes per speaker)

Senator Trump announced that the Advocacy Board would be meeting on Tuesday, September 9 at 1:30 PM in Building 10, Room 421.

XI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting at 3:45 PM by Senator Ferroggiario; seconded by Senator Duarte. Hearing no objections, the meeting is adjourned.