



Associated Students of College of San Mateo

## Student Senate Minutes (Approved)

Monday, October 29, 2018

College Center Building 10, College Heights Conference Room (Room 468)

### CALL TO ORDER

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

### ROLL CALL

Members Present: Vice President Georgia Giari; Finance Director John Burrigh; Student Trustee Gabriela Topete Eng Goon; Senators Jose Barajas, John Burrigh, Max Gaines, Nuri Illini, Dorian King, Stephen Langi, Hadifa Dinda Miqailla, Joseph Park, Ashley Perrilliat, Szymon Ryng, Rosemarie Taylor, April (Youn) Thu, and Vitor Viana.

Members Absent: President Mondana Bathai and Secretary Jordan Chavez.

Advisors Present: Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager and Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant.

### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

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

Motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, October 22, 2018, meeting by Senator Young; seconded by Senator Taylor. Mr. Hamadeh asked if anyone recalled who had made the motion and the second for the approval of the goals and action steps under the ASCSM Goals for 2018-19 item. It was determined that Senator Perrilliat provided the motion and Senator King provided the second. Hearing no objections, the motion to approve the minutes as amended carried.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

### REPORTS

Senator Perrilliat reported that she had attended a meeting of the Guided Pathways Committee where the group received a presentation from the new Career and Workforce Hub program. The program provides a bridge between students and jobs, and provides them resources for internships, careers, and other post-academic endeavors.

Senator King reported that she had attended the recent Academic Senate meeting on behalf of President Bathai. At that meeting, it was reported that the District Libraries would be moving to a new library platform that brought it in line with the California State Universities and some University of California campuses. Unfortunately, it means that CSM's Library will no longer be linked to the Peninsula Library System. This means that the District Libraries will have to issue their own Library Cards, and there is discussion about linking them to the Student ID Card. The system will be free for the first two years as the transition takes place, but then the Libraries will have to start paying for it. The Academic Senate also discussed the ethical implications of faculty sharing personal works with students.

Senator Thu reminded the Senate that the Halloween Festival would be taking place on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, with the costume contest occurring on Wednesday. She reminded members of the Senate to please sign-up to volunteer at the event.

Senator Viana reported that he had attended the first meeting of the Transportation Task Force. The group began by looking at a transportation study that the District conducted. The task force will continue to meet to come up with some recommendations regarding the student transportation.

Student Trustee Topete Eng Goon reported that she had attended her first Board of Trustees meeting where she was officially sworn in as Student Trustee. She reported that President Bathai did a wonderful job reporting on the A.S.'s activities so far this semester, and that the Board was very interested in the Transportation Task Force. Also at the Board meeting, the Board approved lowering employee membership rates at the San Mateo Athletic Club to \$30 a month but keeping student membership rates at \$35 a month. In addition, it was reported that Cañada College will be receiving additional funds to add more times for the shuttle that runs from East Palo Alto to the campus. The Guided Pathways team from Cañada provided an update and shared the results from its Year One cohort, but had no information on how returning students or veterans were being supported.

Vice Chair Paing reported that the Creative Writing Club would be hosting an Open Mic Night tonight (Monday, Oct. 29) starting at 6:30 pm in the Bayview Dining Room Alcove. In addition, he reported that the Southeast Asia Culture Club had decided to move their movie showing ahead one week and that the Global Explorers Club had announced that the Ukrainian Ambassador to the United States would be in San Francisco.

Senator Young reported that the Advocacy Board would be holding a Rock the Vote event next week to encourage students to turn out and vote in the mid-term elections.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

None.

#### **LEGISLATIVE BILLS**

None.

#### **DEBRIEF OF ASCSM EVENTS**

##### *Cultural Awareness Board Movie Night*

Senator Taylor said the event was a success and thanked everyone who came out to watch the movie. She said there was a good turnout for such short notice, and that the Cultural Awareness Board would plan to hold similar events next semester. Senator Taylor also noted that while there was leftover pizza from the event, it was distributed to some evening classes that were in session after the event concluded.

#### **FUNDING FOR ROBOTICS CLUB EQUIPMENT**

A representative from the Robotics Club stated that the group is requesting funding for supplies and equipment to build small robots, drones, and other projects that will help further their study of robotics.

Motion to approve \$1,500.00 from the Club Assistance/ICC account (#5031) for equipment for the Robotics Club by Senator Langi; seconded by Senator Thu.

It was asked what had happened to the equipment that had been purchased previously for the club. The Robotics Club indicated that some of the equipment had been used to assemble some projects last year. This new request is to replace the items that had been used and were not available to be repurposed for new projects.

By a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

#### **ASCSM END-OF-THE-YEAR SCHOLARSHIPS**

Due to the absence of President Bathai and the lack of progress on the reporting form, this item was tabled until the next meeting.

### **LIBRARY RESOURCES – CSM PROFESSOR STEPHANIE ROACH**

Professor Roach shared some of the resources available to students via the CSM Library, including free access to websites of The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal. Students can also access online films via the Swank service and e-books and audiobooks via the Peninsula Library System. Information about these resources is available via the Library website. Members of the Senate suggested that Professor Roach and the Library reach out to clubs and student organizations in order to spread the word about these resources.

### **FUNDING FOR UMOJA CONFERENCE – VAKATASI PASEFIKA CLUB**

Representatives from Vakatasi Pasefika stated that they would like to send members of the club to the Umoja Conference in November to help build leadership skills and develop a greater sense of community among the Polynesian students on campus. While the Mana program exists at CSM, there is no statewide conference that focuses on Polynesian community college students. However, the Umoja Conference is very inclusive and the community that it serves shares many struggles with the Polynesian community.

Motion to approve \$2,360.00 from the Club Assistance/ICC account (#5031) for registration for the Umoja Conference for members of the Vakatasi Pasefika Club by Senator Barajas; seconded by Senator Perrilliat.

The Vakatasi Pasefika representatives pointed out that the number of students planning to attend the conference had decreased to five from the original eight. Mr. Hamadeh stated that the new amount of the proposal should therefore be \$1,475.00. Senators Barajas and Perrilliat accepted this change as a friendly amendment to the proposal.

By a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion to approve the amended proposal carried.

### **HALLOWEEN EVENT WITH CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER – EOPS CLUB**

Representatives from the EOPS Club stated that the group would like to continue its tradition of holding a Halloween event with the children from the CSM Child Development Center. The event is an opportunity for members of the club to interact in a fun and positive way with the children.

Motion to approve \$200.00 from the Club Assistance/ICC account (#5031) for the EOPS Club Halloween event with the Child Development Center by Senator Nava; seconded by Senator Langi.

By a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

### **FUNDING FOR ROCK THE VOTE EVENT – ADVOCACY BOARD**

Senator Young reported that the Advocacy Board is planning to host a Rock the Vote event on Monday, Nov. 5, in order to encourage students to turn out for the mid-term elections on Tuesday, Nov. 6. The event would include food and speakers, and be held in the Bayview Dining Room (College Center Building 10).

Motion to approve \$660.00 from the Student Representation Fee Trust Account for the Advocacy Board Rock the Vote Event by Senator Ryng; seconded by Senator Gaines.

By a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

### **FUNDING FOR ADDITIONAL FALL CLUB FAIR – VICE CHAIR PAING**

Senator Paing explained that, in light of the subpar nature of the first Club Fair, the Center for Student Life suggested holding an additional fair prior to the end of the fall semester. This idea was discussed with the club representatives at Inter Club Council, and the group overwhelmingly supported the idea. Due to the availability of the Bayview Dining Room, the fair would be limited to one day: Tuesday, Nov. 6.

Motion to approve \$1,300.00 from the Club Account Reserve for the Additional Fall Club Fair by Senator Barajas; seconded by Senator Miqailla.

Senator King noted that it might be better to hold off on putting on another club fair and instead focus on ensuring that the spring club fair is a success. She pointed out that some clubs may not be able to absorb new members at this point in the semester. Mr. Schaefer stated that the majority of clubs tend to do recruitment all year round, and that another opportunity for groups to promote themselves is always good.

By a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

#### **DISTRICT MIXER FUNDING – PRESIDENT BATHAI**

On behalf of President Bathai, Student Trustee Topete Eng Goon noted that it was CSM's turn to host the District Mixer among the three student government organizations. A date has yet to be determined, but the District Student Council has identified four possibilities. Student Trustee Topete Eng Goon plans to work with all three groups to determine a date as soon as possible.

Motion to approve \$2,000.00 from the Hospitality account (#5080) by Senator Ryng; seconded by Senator Barajas.

Mr. Hamadeh noted that, in the past, the total cost of the mixer has been divided three ways so that each campus paid a share of the costs. Traditionally, the other two campuses have reimbursed the hosting campus after the event. Senator King noted her concern at the lack of details about the event. She suggested holding off on approving funds for at least a week to allow the District Student Council to come up with more concrete plans for what will take place.

By a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstaining, the motion carried.

#### **CSM EDUCATIONAL MASTER PLAN REVIEW AND FEEDBACK – PRESIDENT BATHAI**

On behalf of President Bathai, Mr. Hamadeh asked if members of the Senate had any feedback regarding the draft of the Educational Master Plan. Members stated that the document was an accurate reflection of the student experience at CSM, and that it provided important information for the planning process moving forward. The Senate had no objections to the document moving forward.

#### **REVIEW OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO DISTRICT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES – PRESIDENT BATHAI**

On behalf of President Bathai, the Senate was presented with a series of Board Policies and Procedures. The District Participatory Governance Council has requested feedback and suggestions on any revisions that needed to be made. After review of the Policies and Procedures, the Senate had no suggested revisions.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The following items were suggested for a future Senate meeting agenda:

- End of Year Scholarships
- Chancellor's Hot Meal Program Proposal

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

Student Trustee Topete Eng Goon stated that the District Student Council is looking for a student representative for the District Academic Senate, which meets the second Monday of each month from 2:15 pm to 4 pm, and the District Participatory Governance Council, which meets the first Monday of each month from 2 pm to 4 pm. One student sits on each board, but each College may nominate one student from their campus to be considered for the position.

Mr. Schaefer reminded the Senate of their obligations under the Brown Act. He stated that discussions regarding Senate business – or any business that could come before the Senate – should not be taking place outside of meetings. Mr. Schaefer stated that if he became aware of any outside discussions taking place, he would pull any item on a Senate agenda that had been discussed prior to a meeting. He also reminded the group that any event supplies are not to be distributed to members of the Senate prior to the event taking place. These items are purchased primarily for the students of CSM. Items left over after the event may be distributed to members of the Senate as supplies allow.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:55 pm by Vice Chair Paing; seconded by Senator Taylor. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Submitted by,

Fauzi Hamadeh

Student Life and Leadership Assistant