



Student Senate Minutes (Approved)

Monday, July 15, 2019, 2:17 p.m.

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: President Andrew Young; Vice President Max Gaines; Finance Director Chun Wai (Mark) Wong; Secretary/District Student Trustee Jordan Chavez; Senators Josephine Cheung, Ariana Davarpanah, Sajan Gurung, Candela Graciarena, Dyana Huaraz, Lauren Lalalde, Joseph Nguyen, Abdel Rahman Al Najjar, Chetesh Singh, Shiyun Tao, Alexis Williams, & Gabriella Yuen.

Members on Leave: Senators Gabriella van Eijk, Malik Griffin, & Livienna Lie.

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

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)

Motion to approve the minutes of the Monday, July 1, 2019 meeting by Senator Davarpanah; seconded by Senator Nguyen. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

REPORTS

President Young reminded the Senate that their Summer Social Event would take place on Wednesday; members would hand out It's It ice cream sandwiches to students throughout the day. Mr. Young noted the item on the agenda regarding A.B. 302, which would allow at-risk and homeless students to park their vehicles overnight on community college campuses. President Young stated that issues such as this one were the reason why it was important for the Senate to represent CSM students.

Vice President Gaines and Finance Director Wong stated that the Executive Cabinet had previously discussed the item.

Secretary Chavez reported that the Board of Trustees had begun to discuss the possibility of having student resource officers on each campus; this was brought up several times to the Board after its rejection of potentially hiring armed officers to serve on campus. Student Trustee Chavez will serve on a subcommittee that will look at potential SRO models and bring feedback to the Board. Mr. Chavez told the Senate that he had a meeting with several District administrators regarding the meal plan initiative to address student food insecurity. He remarked that the initiative would hopefully roll out in the fall. The new meal plan would include distribution of new ID cards, ones that would allow up to 1,000 students throughout the District \$8.00 for certain meals each day they are on campus. This would total up to around \$1,000.00 per

student, per semester. The District is still working with ITS to figure out the logistics of implementing the new ID card system, as well as Public Relations & Marketing to develop a promotional campaign for the program. The District hopes to gain a better idea of identifying students who would be in most need of the initiative. Trustee Chavez indicated that he would work with the District to have a representative present more information about the initiative to the Senate, gain feedback on it, and answer any questions members may have.

Senator Huaraz reiterated President Young's announcement regarding ASCSM's Summer Social Event; she hoped that members would be able to come and help out.

Student Life and Leadership Assistant Hamadeh told the Senate that the week leading up to Welcome Day would be called BWoW, and include partnerships between Student Life, the Counseling Department, METaS, YearOne Promise Program, and other on-campus programs. Mr. Hamadeh indicated that student leaders were needed to be mentors throughout the week for incoming students; this position would be paid, though mentors would have to commit to a training session from July 29th to August 1st, and be able to participate in BWoW from August 5th to August 8th. Members interested had until July 22nd to sign up for these volunteer positions.

APPOINTMENTS

None.

LEGISLATIVE BILLS

None.

DEBRIEF OF ASCSM EVENTS

None.

FUNDING FOR FALL 2019 WELCOME WEEK EVENT

Senator Huaraz told the Senate that this year's Fall 2019 Welcome Week Event would take place on Tuesday, August 27th, and Wednesday, August 28th; this event would include a night event on the 28th. Ms. Huaraz brought up the possibility of having a game truck on campus, as well as handing out boba drinks and burritos to students. She also stated that, during the event, students of different majors would attend to answer questions about their majors from new students. A vision board for students to write their goals for the academic year would also be included at the event.

Senator Williams indicated that the vision board and information on majors for new students would be very beneficial. She also suggested handing out frozen custard for students.

Vice Chair Graciarena liked the idea of having burritos, as there would be a vegetarian option available for students. She indicated that the vision board and major information had not been done in the past, so she thought they were a good idea.

Motion to approve \$12,500.00 to fund the Fall 2019 Welcome Week Event by Senator Nguyen; seconded by Senator Yuen. By a vote of 13 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF A.B. 302

President Young briefly provided background on A.B. 302, the State Mandate that would allow at-risk and homeless students to park their vehicles overnight on community college campuses. He stated that this was a step in the right direction, even if it did not fully mitigate the overarching issue of student homelessness and housing insecurity.

Student Trustee Chavez indicated that the Board had not taken a formal stance on the bill because of how nebulous its current language was, noting that it did not provide enough guidelines on implementation or funding for community college districts to be able to carry out the bill. Mr. Chavez acknowledged that this bill had a sunset date of December 31st,

2022, and that districts had the option of opting out of implementing the bill if they could provide the state with adequate proof of housing assistance for students. He stated that a subcommittee comprised of faculty, staff, students, administrators, and members of the local community would be formed to devise a plan to carry out the bill, should it be passed by the state. Secretary Chavez hoped the Senate would consider supporting A.B. 302, as it would provide a safer alternative for students, rather than having them sleep in their cars off-campus, where they were prone to danger and moving around frequently.

Senators Nguyen and Williams both indicated that much more information and regulations for students to feel more confident in supporting A.B. 302, though they expressed their support for the overall intention of it.

SUMMER SOCIAL EVENT

Senator Huaraz and President Young went over plans for the Summer Social Event that would take place on Wednesday, July 17th. The Senate would hand out It's It ice cream sandwiches to students throughout the day. Senator Huaraz inquired what times would work best to hold the event, as there would be large periods of time during which classes take place. The Senate agreed that holding the event from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., and 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. would be sufficient. Ms. Huaraz stated that she would send a SignUpGenius after the meeting and encouraged members to volunteer.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Fall 2019 Welcome Week
- Recruitment Strategies
- Health Services
- Adoption of Stage 1.0 Budget for 2019-20
- Building 17 Name Suggestions
- ASCSM Goals 2019-20

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:20 PM by Vice Chair Graciarena; seconded by Senator Nguyen. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Submitted by,

Jordan Chavez
ASCSM Secretary

ASCSM Senate Vote Record for Monday, July 15, 2019

<i>Funding for Welcome Week Event</i>												
Josephine Cheung	Yes											
Ariana Davarpanah	Yes											
Giselle Espinoza	Yes											
Candela Graciarena	Yes											
Sajan Gurung	Yes											
Dyana Huaraz	Yes											
Lauren Lazalde	Yes											
Joseph Nguyen	Yes											
Abdel Rahman Al Najjar	Yes											
Chetesh Singh	Yes											
Shiyun Tao	Yes											
Alexis Williams	Yes											
Gabriella Yuen	Yes											
Max Gaines*	N/A											
<i>Vote Count</i>	13-0-0											

*only votes in case of a tie
Yes-No-Abstain