



**ASCSM Student Senate Meeting Minutes
(Unapproved)**

Monday, July 14, 2008

2:00 pm

College of San Mateo, Building 18, Room 206

The meeting was called to order at 2:11 pm.

Members in Attendance

Executive Officers

Vice President Roger Nishimoto.

Senators

Megan Claire; Sonali Desai; Lina Li; Charlotte Loprete; Shawn McGriff; Melika Rezaee; Doug Robinson

Associates

Francisco Duarte; Alexa Hemken; Alexander Quintana; Kiana Rezaei

Members Absent

Executive Officers

President Richael Young; Vice Chair Katerina Mazina

Senators

Mofeda Debabo; Marie Gershenovich; Efrosini Proios; Steffi Santana; Christiane Zorzo.

Student Activities Office (SAO) Staff in Attendance

Aaron Schaefer, Coordinator of Student Activities; Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Activities Accounting Technician; Chris Eden, Program Assistant.

Visitors

Stefanie Chow; Allain Cousins; Leila Shirazi

Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve by Senator Claire; seconded by Senator Rezaee

Approval of the Minutes

Motion to approve by Senator McGriff; seconded by Senator Claire

Special Presentations

A. Parliamentary Procedure Part 2: Tabled for next meeting

B. Constitution and Bylaws: Fauzi explained the ASCSM Constitution and Bylaws. The constitution lays out the ground rules of the senate. It cannot be overridden except by the district or higher powers. The bylaws provide an explanation and procedure for the constitution. It provides rules for meetings and can be overridden by the constitution. The ICC is a subcommittee of ASCSM and makes suggestions to the senate. Their bylaws provide guidelines under which the ICC works. The Budget Notes have the power of bylaws. They are guidelines for how funds are to be expended by the ASCSM.

C. Shared Governance and College Committees: Fauzi explained what shared governance is and gave the ASCSM an outline of the college committees. Shared governance is the process by which all constituencies on a campus participate in decision-making processes of the college. The four constituencies are Administration, Faculty, Staff, and Students. The ASCSM was given a chart on the college committees.

Advisor Reports

Aaron Schaefer, CSM Coordinator of Student Activities, explained that Welcome Day is separate from Welcome Week. Welcome Day will be Wednesday, August 13th.

Fauzi Hamadeh, CSM Student Activities Accounting Technician, had nothing to report.

Chris Eden, ASCSM Program Assistant, will save his report for a discussion item later.

Unfinished Business

Item A: Appointments

Vice President Nishimoto made the following appointments:

Appointment 1. Appointment of Megan Claire as ASCSM Secretary and Sonali Desai as Finance Director. Motion to approve by Senator Robinson; seconded by Senator Li.

New Business

Item A: Informational Hotline

Item 1: Proposal for Informational Hotline: Motioned by Senator Loprete; seconded by Finance Director Desai

The ASCSM discussed the benefits to having an informational hotline for the beginning of the school year to answer student questions as well as promote ASCSM. It would require \$300 from PR.

Motion to fund the Informational Hotline with \$300 from PR carries with 7 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining.

Discussion & Information Items

Item A: PCRC Conflict Resolution

The ASCSM discussed restarting a prior program (PCRC) as a way to help diffuse conflict in the future. Conflict coaching would be brought in. A good amount of ASCSM was interested and Skyline is interested too.

Item B: Fall 2008 Calendar

The ASCSM discussed options for a Fall 2008 calendar of events. The programs and services committee as well as the public relations committee want to make it seem like a lot is going on on campus without spending a ton of money or even doing too much. They also want to work on more programs for night students. Some ideas from the senate were music, movie, and dance events.

Committee Reports

Associated Student Senate Committees

Public Relations

Public Relations reported that they would be working on developing a planner to give out to students who get their ID cards.

Welcome Week

Welcome Week committee reported that things are in full swing for Welcome Week. There will be food, music, and inflatables. A proposal will come for the next meeting.

Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 3:34 pm.

The next meeting of the ASCSM Student Senate will be Monday, August 4th, at 1:00 in the Faculty Lounge.

Submitted by:

/s/ Megan Claire

Megan Claire
ASCSM Secretary