Minutes

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COLLEGE

February 27th, 2009

REGULAR MEETING
Room CC-223
10:00am

Campus Center Building
Santa Barbara City College
721 Cliff Drive

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1. GENERAL FUNCTIONS
   1.1 CALL TO ORDER
   Vice-President of External Affairs, Mi Lin called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

   Members present:
   V-P of External Affairs: Mi Lin
   V-P Operations & Finance: Tram Nguyen
   Student Trustee: Sean Knotts
   Commissioner of Clubs: Atty Garfinkel
   Public Relations Officer: Jessica Aparicio
   Student Advocate: Tommy Mazzon
   Senators: Dano Pagenkopf, Zougang Xie, Ying Guang Zhang, Nicole Ridgell, Emily Harrington, Jason Stanley, Kevin Fock
   Advisor/Secretary: T.K. Erickson
   Dean: Dr. Ben Partee
   Channels: Christianne Rojo
   Guests:

   Absent: Camila Avendano, Laurent Serra and Elena Perez
1.2 APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Upon motion by Atty Garfinkel, seconded by Tommy Mazzon, the Senate approved the agenda for February 27th, 2009 with one vote in opposition.

1.3 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 20, 2009
Upon motion by Atty Garfinkel, seconded by Sean Knotts, the Senate approved the minutes of the regular meeting, February 20th, 2009.

1.4 PUBLIC FORUM
Joe Sullivan, Vice-President of Business Services informed the Senate regarding last semester’s MTD bus fare rate increase. Fall semester 2008, SBCC students voted and approved MTD bus fare rate increase by forty (40) percent. Mr. Sullivan informed the Senate that there was an oversight of the increased amount for the summer fare rate. A forty percent increase for the summer bus fare rate should have been $11 instead of $9.50. Mr. Sullivan’s intent was to inform the Senate of the oversight. He did not ask the Senate to take any action.

2. SPECIAL PRESENTATION - NONE

3. ACTION ITEMS
3.1 Senate Applications
a) A ballot vote was taken for Emily Harrington’s senate application. The vote result was nine (9) yes and no (1) no. Emily was elected as senator by a majority vote.
b) A ballot vote was taken for Jason Stanley’s senate application. The vote result was six (7) yes and four (3) no. Jason was elected as senator by a majority vote.
c) A ballot vote was taken for Kevin Fock’s senate application. The vote result was eight (8) yes and two (2) no. Kevin was elected as senator by a majority vote.
3.2 Region VI Hospitality
Upon the motion of Sean Knotts, seconded by Atty Garfinkel, the Senate voted with one abstention and approved to continue providing refreshments instead of lunch for Region VI meetings.
3.3 McKinley School
Upon the motion of Atty Garfinkel, seconded by Sean Knotts, the Senate voted and unanimously approved to continue sponsoring activities for McKinley School.
3.4 Leadership Training for Clubs’ Representatives
Upon the motion of Sean Knotts, seconded by Atty Garfinkel, the Senate voted with one abstention and approved to provide selected clubs’ representatives the opportunity to participate in Senate leadership training.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS
4.1 Club Charters – None
4.2 Club Grants
American Sign Language (ASL) club representative requested a club grant of $250 to cover the cost of an event that will raise awareness about Deaf culture and American Sign Language. The grant requested will cover compensation for four panelist and refreshments.
4.3 Senate Applications – None
4.4 Merchants’ Bazaar
The Senate discussed participation in Merchants’ Bazaar week, April 13-16. Most officers signed up for a time slot from 7:30am-8:30am to welcome and assist vendors with set-up. Senate members were encouraged to participate and sign up for a time slot.

4.5 Student Learning Outcomes Organization Group
Senate discussed and asked if any member would be interested in serving on this committee. Mi Lin expressed interest and other members were supportive of him representing the Senate on this committee.

4.6 Board Policies and Procedures Committee
Tram Nguyen expressed strong interest in serving on this committee and other members were supportive of her representing the Senate on this committee.

4.7 Global Exchange and Awareness Week
The Senate discussed several ways to participate in the Global Exchange and Awareness Week. Suggestions for Senate involvement included sponsoring a specific day, providing music, collaborating with other departments, etc.

4.8 Survey for Textbook Reduction Committee
Zuogang Xie headed this sub-committee and shared his objectives for creating this survey. The Senate reviewed and discussed the survey for textbook reduction. Senate members provided suggestions/revisions. V-P of External Affairs asked Mr. Xie and the textbook reduction committee to come up with an action plan to share with the Senate at the next meeting.

4.9 Campus Committees
Senate discussed campus committees and V-P of External Affairs passed around a sign-up sheet for members to write their names next to committees they have interest in.

5. COMMUNICATIONS
The following reports will be presented to the Student Senate about various matters involving the Student Senate:

5.1 Report by President Camila Avendano – Absent
5.2 Report by VP Senate Affairs Vacant
5.3 Report by VP External Affairs Mi Lin
Report Submitted (see attached)
5.4 Report by VP Operations and Finance Tram Nguyen
Report Submitted (see attached)
5.5 Report by Student Trustee Sean Knotts
Report Submitted (see attached)
5.6 Report by Commissioner of Clubs Atsiylah Garfinkel
Report Submitted (see attached)
5.7 Report by Public Relations Jessica Aparicio – None
5.8 Report by Student Advocate Tommy Mazzon – None
5.9 Report by Senators None
5.9 Report by Advisor T.K. Erickson
Report Submitted (see attached)

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ACTION ITEMS
7.1 Club Grant – The Senate shall vote on the club grant for the ASL club for a campus event.

7.2 Parking Fee Increase – The Senate shall vote on the planned parking fee increase that will be implemented fall of 2009.

7.3 Merchants’ Bazaar – The Senate shall vote on participating in setting up the Merchants Bazaar on April 13th – 16th.

7.4 Global Exchange and Awareness Week – The Senate shall vote on sponsoring/participating in this event.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

7.5 Survey for Text Book Reduction Committee – The Senate shall hear a presentation on the action plan of the Textbook Reduction Committee regarding their survey.

7.6 Campus Committees – The Senate shall assign delegates to campus committees.

7.7 Leadership Training – The Senate shall discuss possible dates for a one-day (6 hours) leadership training.

7.8 Senate Visibility - Senate shall discuss the Senate display case and bulletin board.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

7.9 Club Charters – The Senate shall hear proposals for club charters.

7.10 Club Grants – The Senate shall hear requests for club grants.

7.11 Senate Applications – The Senate shall review prospective Senate applications.

7.12 Appreciation Breakfast – The Senate shall discuss details of the appreciation breakfast.

7.13 Board Member Workshop – The Senate shall discuss setting up a lobbying workshop with select board members.

7.14 Thought Spots – The Senate shall discuss the idea of placing Thought Spots on campus to gather students’ feedback.

7.15 General Student Senate Survey – The Senate shall review the survey for General Senate feedback.

7.16 Student Senate Office Hours – The Senate shall discuss opening the Senate room for office hours.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the motion by Sean Knotts, seconded by Atty Garfinkel, the Senate approved adjourning the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

The next Regular Meeting of the Student Senate will be held on Friday, March 6th, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. in CC-223.