Minutes

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COLLEGE

February 6, 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
President Avendano called the meeting to order at 10:10 am.

Members present:
President: Camila Avendano
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: Elena Perez, Dano Pagenkopf, Zougang Xie, Laurent Serra, Mi Lin, Ying Guang Zhang
Advisor/Secretary: T.K. Erickson
Dean: Ben Partee
Channels: Christianne Rojo
Special Guest: Christine D’Arcy, Special Programs Advisor  
Guests: Nicole Ridgell, Andrew Moser

Members absent:
V-P Senate Affairs: Deirdre Jones  
Senator: James DiPaolo

1.2 APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Upon motion by Atty Garfinkel, seconded by Sean Knotts, the Senate approved the agenda.

1.3 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 30, 2009
Upon motion by Tommy Mazzo n, seconded by Sean Knotts, the Senate approved the minutes of the regular meeting, January 30, 2009.

1.4 PUBLIC FORUM
Ashleigh Brown, Inter-Tribal Student Council club presented to the Senate information about the Civil Rights March. She encouraged Senate and others to join the cause to have Native-American images remove. She informed the Senate that there will be a Civil Rights Rally on February 10th and encouraged student participation.

2. SPECIAL PRESENTATION
2.1 Christine D’Arcy, Special Programs Advisor shared with Senate the opportunity to develop leadership skills by helping with summer orientation. Students will be paid as an orientation leader. Requirements include minimum of twelve (12) units and 2.5 cumulative GPA. She is looking for students who are passionate and have good public speaking skills. If anyone is interested, applications will be available in March or contact Christine for more information.

3. ACTION ITEMS
3.1 Senate Applications for Andrew Moser and Nicole Ridgell
A ballot vote was taken for Andrew Moser’s Senate application. The vote result was five (5) yes and six (6) no. Andrew was not elected as senator.
A ballot vote was taken for Nicole Ridgell’s Senate application. The vote result was eleven (11) yes and zero (0) no. It was unanimous and Nicole was elected as senator.

3.2 Washington D.C. Conference
Upon the motion by Sean Knotts, seconded by Atty Garfinkel, Senate approved to attend the ASACC conference in Washington D.C., March 21-24.

3.3 Conference Attendees
Tram Nguyen shared with the Senate the current balance for the Student Rep Fee and the estimated cost to attend the conference for eight (8) people. Upon the motion by Sean Knotts, seconded by Mi Lin, the Senate approved six officers/senators and two advisors to attend the Washington D.C. conference.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS
4.1 Senate Survey – Senate reviewed Student Senate Survey. Zuogang Xie presented a survey he previously created and shared that he would like to keep the survey short. He also shared his three (3) objectives for the survey. Tram Nguyen suggested creating a
Student Senate fact sheet to hand out to students. Several Senate members expressed that the survey needed more revisions before it can be implemented. It was decided that after revisions have been made, the survey would be discussed at a future meeting.

4.2 Parking Fee Increases – Since the fee will not take effect until fall 2009, Senate members felt it was important to receive feedback from students on this issue. Atty Garfinkel suggested tabling next week and Senate members were asked to sign-up for a time slot.

4.3 Constitution and By-Laws – Senate members were given a copy of Atty Garfinkel’s suggested changes and revisions to the Constitution and By-Laws. Members were asked to review the document. Additional changes/revisions were to be given to Senate advisor to prepare for future discussion item.

4.4 College Committees – Senate Advisor will discuss with Dr. Partee to get a detail college committees’ list.

4.5 Club Charters – Upon the motion by Sean Knotts and seconded by Atty Garfinkel, the Senate approved to move club charters on agenda item 4.8 to 4.5 due to club leaders’ time restraints. Santa Barbara Poetry club and Student Leaders in Science club presented to the Senate.

4.6 Senate Sub-Committees – President Avendano announced that currently there are two Senate sub-committees; textbook reduction and centennial event. Initially President Avendano will chair both sub-committees. After they are established, she will select a member from each committee to chair them.

4.7 March in March – President Avendano asked if anyone is planning to attend the March event in Sacramento. No members were able to attend.

4.8 Senate Budget – Tram Nguyen presented to the Senate the proposed budget for spring 2009. The proposed budget was for the Student Senate Trust and Student Rep Trust accounts. There was a question regarding the McKinley proposed expenditure. Senate Advisor was assigned to contact McKinley school and research more information to share at the next Senate meeting for further discussion. No changes were suggested for the proposed budget. The Senate will vote on the budget at the next meeting.

4.9 Brainstorming for Washington D.C. Conference – Upon the motion by Jessica Aparicio and seconded by Tram Nguyen, the Senate approved to move this item for future discussion due to time restraints.

4.10 Club Charters – None

4.11 Senate Applications - None

5. COMMUNICATIONS

The following reports will be presented to the Student Senate about various matters involving the Student Senate

5.1 Report by President
Report Submitted (see attached)
Camila Avendano

5.2 Report by VP Senate Affairs
Deirdre Jones – Absent

5.3 Report by VP External Affairs
Vacant

5.4 Report by VP Operations and Finance
Tram Nyugen – None

5.5 Report by Student Trustee
Sean Knotts

5.6 Report by Commissioner of Clubs
Atsiylah Garfinkel

5.7 Report by Public Relations
Jessica Aparicio – None
5.8 Report by Student Advocate  
Tommy Mazzon – None  
5.9 Report by Advisor  
T.K. Erickson  
Report Submitted (see attached)

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS  
6.1 President Avendano appointed Mi Lin to the V-P of External Affairs position.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ACTION ITEMS
7.1 Club Charters

DISCUSSION ITEMS
7.2 Senate Applications
7.3 College Committees
7.4 Senate Sub-Committees
7.5 Parking Fee Increases
7.6 McKinley School
7.7 Region VI Hospitality
7.8 Clubs Leadership Training

8. ADJOURNMENT
Upon the motion by Atty Garfinkel, seconded by Zuogang Xie, the Senate approved adjourning the meeting at 12:35 pm.

The next Regular Meeting of the Student Senate will be held on Friday, February 20th, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. in CC-223.