Minutes
SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COLLEGE

April 10th, 2009

REGULAR MEETING
Room CC-223
10:00am

Campus Center Building
Santa Barbara City College
721 Cliff Drive

1. GENERAL FUNCTIONS
1.1 CALL TO ORDER
Vice-President of External Affairs, Mi Lin called the meeting to order at 10:07 am.

1.2 ROLL CALL
Members present:
Executive Officers:
V-P External Affairs – Mi Lin
V-P Operations & Finance – Tram Nguyen
Student Trustee – Sean Knotts
Commissioner of Clubs – Atty Garfinkel
Student Advocate – Tommy Mazzon
Public Relations Officer – Jessica Aparicio

Senators:
Dano Pagenkopf, Zuogang Xie, Ying Guang Zhang, Nicole Ridgell,
Emily Harrington, Jason Stanley, Kevin Fock, Benjamin Goedert,
Laurent Serra

Advisor/Secretary: T.K. Erickson
Dean: Dr. Ben Partee

Members Absent:
Senator – Elena Perez

Guests: Chao Wang, Joseph Mosley, David Rojas
Channels: Christianne Rojo

1.3 WELCOME
Vice-President of External Affairs, Mi Lin extended a welcome to guests.

1.4 APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Upon motion by Commissioner Garfinkel, seconded by Trustee Knotts, the Senate approved the amended change to move agenda item 4.5 to 3.1 of April 10th, 2009 with 12 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

1.5 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 27th, 2009
Upon motion by Commissioner Garfinkel, seconded by Trustee Knotts, the Senate approved the minutes of March 27th, 2009 with 12 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

1.6 PUBLIC FORUM – NONE

2. SPECIAL PRESENTATION – NONE

3. ACTION ITEMS

3.1 Student Body President
Camila Avendano came before the Senate to explain her four absences from the Senate. First she expressed appreciation to V-P Lin and Trustee Knotts as well as to all those who contributed to helping the Senate run smoothly in her absence. She shared with the Senate that her three absences were due to her having to leave the country because her father won the lottery to receive a Green Card/Permanent Residence status. She had to leave the U.S. to go home in order to interview and go through a thorough medical examination process with her family. Her fourth absence was due to the fact that she had purchased a ticket to go to Europe at the beginning of the fall semester and was not able to change her flight ticket.
After her explanation, the Senate asked her several questions. Then the Senate asked her to leave the room. The Senate discussed her absence. The general consensus of the discussion was to reinstate Camila Avendano as president. There were a few senators who expressed that four absences were too many. Upon motion by Commissioner Garfinkel, seconded by Trustee Knotts, the Senate voted to reinstate Camila Avendano as Student Body President. The motion carries with 11 in favor, 2 opposed, and 1 abstained.

3.2 Club Grants
a) Upon motion by Commissioner Garfinkel, seconded by Officer Mazzon, the Senate voted to approve the Videogame club grant request of $250 to use for the Gamefest event to be held on April 24th, 2009. The motion carries with 14 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstaining.

b) Upon motion by Officer Mazzon, seconded by V-P Nguyen, the Senate voted to approve the International Studies Association club grant request of $250 to use for the International Week event to be held from April 20th to 26th, 2009. The motion carries with 12 in favor, 1 opposed, 1 abstaining. There was a discussion regarding the number of club grants left to be allocated. The exact number of grants left was not known. Some senators voiced if there was only one grant left than that would change their votes. Senator Fock motioned to table this item until an exact number of grants available can be identified. V-P Nguyen researched and informed the Senate that only two grants were given out thus far. There are 5 club grants left to be allocated. The motion carries.

3.3 Senate Application
Upon motion by V-P Nguyen, seconded by Senator Harrington, the Senate approved Chao Wang’s application. The motion carries with 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 4 abstained.

3.4 Textbook Survey
Upon motion by Officer Mazzon, seconded by Officer Aparicio, the Senate approved the final draft of the Textbook Survey presented by Senator Xie. The motion carries with 16 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

3.5 Spring General Assembly
Upon motion by Commissioner Garfinkel, seconded by Senator Harrington, the Senate approved to send six Senators and one advisor to the Spring General Assembly, May 1-3. The motion carries with 16 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

4. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Club Charters
Joseph Mosley presented to the Senate on behalf of the Music Marketing Club. He also submitted the club’s portfolio. The club’s purpose is to enrich student musicians with wisdom and experience on marketing themselves.

4.2 Club Grants – None

4.3 Senate Applications
A Senator submitted an application but did not show up for the interview.

4.4 The Students’ Coalition Club
Commissioner Garfinkel informed the Senate that Tina Kistler’s request for approval of overnight use of West Campus for a peaceful assembly on-campus was declined and therefore she is seeking other alternatives. The Senate does not need to vote to approve her request for support.

4.5 Academic Honesty Policy Review
Officer Aparicio informed the Senate that the Academic Senate is in the process of review and implementing changes to the Academic Honesty Policy. The Academic Senate has requested the Senate to review and make recommendations to be submitted by Wednesday, April 26.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Global Awareness Week
The Senate heard updates on the developments for participating in the Global Awareness Week from Commissioner Garfinkel and V-P Lin. President Avendano offered to follow-up with Senators who are interested in helping with this event.

5.2 Thought Spots
The Senate heard an update on the possible locations of the Thought Spots and its formats.

5.3 Senate Room Improvements
The Senate heard an update on the Senate room improvements.

5.4 Appreciation Breakfast
The Senate was asked to submit a list of people they want to invite to the appreciation breakfast. The Senate was requested to submit their list by Tuesday to Advisor Erickson.

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

6.1 Report by President Camila Avendano – Absent

6.2 Report by VP Senate Affairs Vacant

6.3 Report by VP External Affairs Mi Lin – See Attached
Advisor Erickson gave an update on the Merchants’ Bazaar and encouraged everyone who signed up to help to review the attached sign-up list. She will picking up Senate shirts this afternoon in order to have them ready for the Merchants’ Bazaar week. She informed the Senate that due to limited staff in the IT department, there will be no on-line elections this year. Informed the Senate that leadership training for April 18 has been cancelled. She also submitted two project forms to the Anti-Defamation League.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS – NONE

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Due to the time limit, Vice-President Lin asked the Senate to e-mail future agenda item to him.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Garfinkel motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Senator Harrington. The Senate approved to adjourn the meeting at 12:53pm. The motion carries with 16 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

The next Regular Meeting of the Senate will be held on Friday, April 17th, 2009 at 10:00am in CC-223.