Minutes
SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COLLEGE

April 24th, 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
President Avendano called the meeting to order at 10:03am.

1.2 ROLL CALL
Members present:

Executive Officers:
President – Camila Avendano
V-P External Affairs – Mi Lin
Commissioner of Clubs – Atty Garfinkel
Public Relations Officer – Jessica Aparicio

Senators:
Ying Guang Zhang, Nicole Ridgell, Emily Harrington, Jason Stanley,
Kevin Fock, Benjamin Goedert, Chao Wang, Laurent Serra

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

Members Absent:
V-P Operations & Finance – Tram Nguyen
Student Trustee – Sean Knotts
Student Advocate – Tommy Mazzon
Senators – Dano Pagenkopf, Zuogang Xie

Guests: Dr. Andreea Serban Superintendant/President, Dean Marilynn Spaventa,
Dr. Janet Shapiro, Kevin Daniels

Channels: Christianne Rojo

1.3 WELCOME
President Avendano extended a welcome to guests.
1.4 APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Upon motion by Commissioner Garfinkel, seconded by Vice-President Lin, the Senate approved the agenda of April 24th, 2009 with 11 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

1.5 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 17th, 2009
Upon motion by Commissioner Garfinkel, seconded by Vice-President Lin, the Senate approved the minutes of April 17th, 2009 with 11 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstained.

1.6 PUBLIC FORUM – None

2. SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Dr. Andreea M. Serban Superintendent/President

2.1 Dr. Andreea Serban Superintendent/President provided handouts and presented to the Senate the document on “Preparing the Institutional Self Study for Re-affirmation of Accreditation.” Dr. Serban also provided a general summary of accreditation standards. Please see attached documents.

Dean Marilyn Spaventa presented to the Senate the overview of Standard IIA, Instructional Programs. Three main components of this section include 1) high quality instructional programs, 2) student learning outcomes, and 3) mission.

Dr. Janet Shapiro, Director of DSPS presented the overview of Standard IIB, Student Support Services. Please see attached document.

3. ACTION ITEMS

3.1 Club Charters
Upon the motion by Commissioner Garfinkel, seconded by Senator Fock, the Senate voted and approved the charter for the Math Club. The motion carried with 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

3.2 Club Grants
Senator Harrington motioned to extract the three club grants and vote on them individually. Motion was seconded by Senator Fock. The motion carried with 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

3.3 Middle East Studies Club Grant Request
Upon motion by Commissioner Garfinkel, seconded by Vice-President Lin, the Senate approved the Middle East Studies club grant in the amount of $210. The motion carried with 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

3.4 Phi Theta Kappa
Upon the motion by Vice-President Lin, seconded by Commissioner Garfinkel, the Senate approved Phi Theta Kappa club grant in the amount of $200. The motion carried with 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

3.5 Senate Application
The Senate voted on Kevin Daniels Senate application. Majority of the Senate voted not to elect him as a Senator for this semester. Advisor Erickson thanked Kevin for applying and encouraged him to try again in the fall semester if he still wants to serve on Student Senate.

4. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Club Charters – None
4.2 Club Grants – None
4.3 Club of the Year
Commissioner Garfinkel recommended the top three clubs for the Senate to vote on. The top three clubs included American Sign Language (ASL), The Student Coalition, Phi
Theta Kappa. The Senate voted on the clubs and the American Sign Language club was selected as the Club of the Year. Two Senate members abstained from voting. The result was ASL received 8 votes, The Student Coalition received 1 vote, and Phi Theta Kappa received 0 vote.

4.4 Student Senate Organization
Vice-President Lin shared with the Senate he had a conversation with Dr. Partee regarding the Senate Organization. He learned the most appropriate title for the chart was “accountability.” Vice-President Lin presented to the Senate how the accountability chart should work. He received positive feedback from Senate members. See attached chart.

4.5 Senate Meeting
The Senate discussed last meeting date. Upon motion by Commission Garfinkel, seconded by Senator Fock, the Senate approved to move from discussion to action item. Motion carried with 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.
Upon the motion by Senator Harrington, seconded by Commissioner Garfinkel, the Senate approved May 8th to be the final meeting. Motion carried with 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS
5.1 Thought Spots
Officer Aparicio shared that Thought Spots will be implemented on Friday, April 24th.

5.2 Senate Room Improvements
Officer Aparicio updated the Senate on responses from Senate members regarding frames and sizes for the Senate Room.

5.3 Student Priority List
Vice-President Lin informed the Senate that it was too late to submit priority list for the next CPC meeting. He encouraged Senate members to share their ideas/suggestions for future discussions.

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 – See Attached
6.2 Report by VP Senate Affairs Vacant
6.3 Report by VP External Affairs Mi Lin – None
6.4 Report by VP Operations and Finance Tram Nguyen – Absent
6.5 Report by Student Trustee Sean Knotts – Absent
6.6 Report by Commissioner of Clubs Atsiylah Garfinkel – None
6.7 Report by Public Relations Jessica Aparicio – None
6.8 Report by Student Advocate Tommy Mazzon – None
6.9 Report by Senators YingGuang Zhang – See Attached
6.10 Report by Advisor T.K. Erickson –
Adviser Erickson shared the urgent news that MTD is planning to change bus routes and schedule. Changes are supposed to take effect August 24 and many SBCC students could potentially be affected. Advisor encouraged Senate members to attend MTD’s public meeting on May 6th at 5:30pm at 550 Olive Street, Santa Barbara. Advisor reminded Senate members that the Appreciation
Breakfast has been changed to May 14th at 7:30am. Reminded Senate members to encourage students to vote at the upcoming election.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS
Officer Aparicio announced the idea of having “Secret Shopper” to find out if various Student Services departments are providing good customer services to students.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
ACTION ITEMS
8.1 **Institutional Self Study for Re-affirmation of Accreditation**
The Senate shall vote to give consent to President Avendano to sign on behalf of the Student Senate the Institutional Self Study for Re-affirmation of Accreditation document.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS
8.2 **MTD**
The Senate shall discuss MTD proposed route and schedule changes which is expected to take effect August 24, 2009.

8.3 **Centennial Event**
The Senate shall discuss planning for the Centennial event.

8.4 **Senate Budget**
The Senate shall review and discuss budget for next academic year.

8.5 **Student Senate Summer Leadership Training**
The Senate shall discuss potential dates in the summer to have a Senate leadership training/workshop.

8.6 **Secret Shopper**
The Senate shall discuss ideas about finding ways to gather information in order to ensure that students’ needs are being met on-campus.

INFORMATION ITEMS
8.7 **Thought Spots**
The Senate shall hear an update on the Thought Spots.

9. ADJOURNMENT
Commissioner Garfinkel motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice-President Lin. The Senate approved to adjourn the meeting at 11:53am. The motion carries with 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

The next Regular Meeting of the Senate will be held on Friday, May 8th, 2009 at 10:00am in CC-223.