

**Associated Students of Santa Monica College**  
**A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting**  
**March 18, 2013 3:00 PM**  
**Cayton Center, Room #202**  
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**I. Call to Order 3:02PM**

**II. Roll Call**

AS President: Parker Jean	P	Director of Student Adv.: Yacob Zuriaw	L3:30PM
AS Vice President: Jemal Hussein	P	Director of Publicity: Jesse Ramirez	P
AS Secretary: Samantha Ross	P	Director of Outreach: Mohammad Rahman	P
Director of Student Services: Chioma Ojini	L	ICC Chair: Spin Versele	L
Director of Sustainability: Steven Johnson	P	ICC Vice Chair: Erin Kaitel	P
Director of Academic Supp.: Jon Kent Ethridge II	P	ICC Communications Officer: Caitlin Thompson	P
Director of Activities: Angie Vo	P	Student Trustee: Michelle Olivarez	A
Director of Inst. & Tech. Support: Faheem Ali	P	Dean of Student Life: Deyna Hearn	P
Director of Budget Management: Cécile Parcelier	P	Counselor/Student Advisor: Benny Blaydes	L

**III. Public Comments (2 minutes per person)**

**Dennis Uchimara (90 Unit Cap for Community College; Adult Ed)**—Gov. Brown has betrayed a lot of people. We help pass Prop 30 and he comes out with this? This isn't equal access. I think the sliding scale could work. The attitude taken is "we will accommodate you if you're rich; F you if you're poor." That's the trend. Something has to be done.

**Noke Tanmalolo—(Conflict between the Constitution and Election Code)**—Running for AS President. In the election code, it says he's ineligible, but in the Constitution, he's eligible.

**Taynara Moura—(Elections)**—The advertisement portion of the elections isn't fair. Just because a student isn't on financial aid, doesn't mean there isn't a need. I don't feel it's fair because it gives people incentives to partner up on their money and not on their ability. I want the board to think about it before the Election happens.

**Christian Santiago—(Eco-Action Club)**—VP of EcoAction club. Happy and glad that AS is supporting Earth week and the Free Store.

**Grant Jean—(Eco-Action Club)**—Wanted to thank AS for the approval of funding for EcoAction event. It's cool that AS is on board with this. It's great to get students involved and cognizant of environmental issues.

**Kseniya Lyalina—(Club "Grow", Earth Week Proposal)**—Thank AS for letting students have an Earth week.

**IV. Approval of Agenda**

*Motion to approve by Mohammad, Second*  
**Agenda approved unanimously.**

**V. Approval of Minutes for March 6, 2013 and March 11, 2013**

*Motion to approve by Sam, Second*  
**Minutes approved unanimously.**

**VI. Consent Action Items (Less than \$1,000)**

*Motion by Erin, Second*

6.1. Approval of funding for Future Alumni Club for the purchase of promotional t-shirts. This includes 100 t-shirts, tax and shipping costs. (Alexander, ICC Allotment: \$700.00)

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- 6.2. Approval of funding for Associated Students Board of Directors for funding for buying food for agencies who participate in the Health Fair. This includes costs for drinks and up to 80 Subway lunch boxes. (Angie, Activity: \$550.00)
- 6.3. Approval of funding for Pre-Health Association for purchasing organic t-shirts with club logo to officers and advisors. This includes 11 organic t-shirts. (Negin, ICC Allotment: \$216.04)  
***Consent action items approved unanimously.***

**VII. Action Items**

- 7.1. Approval of increase to the previously proposed money for the camera battery charger and bag from \$77 to \$90. (Mohammad)

*Motion by Mohammad, Second*

**Mohammad:** Money was approved at the end of the last semester, slight change in price

**Parker:** What happened to the old one?

**Mohammad:** A director from last year failed to return it last year.

**Parker:** Hopefully we can start using it again for events

**Mohammad:** Anyone who is hosting an event can use it. It's in Dean Hearn's office.

**Chioma:** So we're just buying a new camera charger and bag?

**Mohammad:** Yes.

***Action item approved unanimously.***

- 7.2. Approval of distribution of AS Director stipends at the end of each semester (Jesse)

*Motion by Faheem, Second*

**Jesse:** We all thought we were going to get our stipends at the end of the fall semester but the minutes didn't necessarily reflect that.

**Parker:** So basically saying that the next board will receive half of their stipend after the fall semester

**Spin:** Considering our track record with people coming and going, how would it work for someone who only spends only half the year in office? How would their stipend be dealt with? Rules would have to be put into place to deal with people like that

**Parker:** Would still be the Same question if someone were to resign right now, how would we deal with their stipends.

**Jon:** Agree with Spin that certain regulations should be put into place to handle people resigning

**Chioma:** Agree with that. Would the directors who resign still get their stipend? They still served and rules would act as a protection for those directors.

**Parker:** Just so public is aware, we receive \$1000 stipend at the end of the year. This would end up being \$500 a semester. Isn't necessarily that much and in the end is around ten cents an hour.

**Dean Hearn:** Recommend to change the language to indicate when this goes into effect and put "up to".

*Motion to amend language to "Approval of distribution of AS Director stipends for up to \$500 at the end of each semester implemented and in effect as of the academic year, Fall 2013" by Erin, Second*

*Motion approved unanimously.*

**Parker:** This would be for next years' board. The stipend would just be split up into two parts. Up to \$500 in Fall and up to \$500 in Spring.

***Action item unanimously approved.***

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**VIII. Major Action Items (\$1,000 or greater)**

- 8.1. Approval of funding for **Events Department** for celebrating America- Santa Monica College annual pre Independence Day Community Event. This includes Ling Audio and festival lighting. (Linda, Special Project: \$6,281.00)

*Motion by Jon, Second*

**Carol:** Respectfully ask that AS approve funding to support this event. This is our 31<sup>st</sup> year. Largest single event the college puts on all year.

**Lynn:** Opportunity for AS to promote themselves to the community. Could have a tent (10x10) and hand out things. Recruit students to Santa Monica College. Same band as last year, sort of a bluegrass sort of a mix (Chris Mulky and Deluxe). They're very accomplished musicians and everyone seems to like it. We would be open to AS recommendations for next year. Timing of this event is difficult, as it is after graduation and unsure about how the changeover between years goes—maybe they would also like to participate. I know AS is doing a lot of cool things at the moment, trying to change things at the college, hope approve this.

Parker: How much does the band cost?

Lynn: Band is actually a deal. 1200 for the band, 300 for the MC—keep the younger kids involved and active. He's an actor who is very good with young kids. Buy things for the kids and have contests for the kids (6-12). He also introduces the officials and the bands. People start coming at 5 and band doesn't start till 7. Like to have something to entertain the kids

Parker: Is it free for college students?

Lynn: Absolutely. Just costs to buy in. We would welcome having the AS sell different things and have the MC introduce the new AS Board

Parker: Event is the 29<sup>th</sup>?

Lynn: Yes

Faheem: How much raised in donations?

Lynn: City of Santa Monica gives % 15000 for the fireworks. Raise another \$50000 for other things. Find other sources (community contributions) for funding as well. Will have someone soliciting funds this year. It is a free community picnic and is a great firework show.

Spin: Have any of you been to the event before?

Parker: Speak on your experience?

Jon: Growing up in Santa Monica, that was one of the events to go to.

Jesse: Always had intentions of going but never had the chance to make it.

***Action item approved unanimously.***

- 8.2. Approval of funding for CUES, Eco-Action Club for Earth week held on April 22nd – 26th. This includes food, band, recycle word cloud and post-card costs. (Genevieve, Special Project: \$3,700.00, ICC Allotment: \$946.25)

*Motion by Mohammad, Second*

Genevieve: Pass out draft of flyer to see a visual representation. Done by a club grow member. Still working with the flyer, important part is what it says at the bottom of the event.

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- 8.3. Approval of funding for ICC Vice Chair for Club Row Spring 2013. This includes Del Rey Party Rentals and setup, generators, prizes, antibacterial soap, oriental trading party goods, fruits with caramel and/or chocolate dip and other. (Erin, ICC: up to \$4,800.00)

*Motion by Sam, Second*

**Erin:** Alright guys, get excited: Club Row is coming up! Thinking of giving a tote bag with the AS logo and give it out to the first 300 people at Club Row. A pencil, a notebook, a scantron, and a notebook.

**Jemal:** Are you going to give it out to just the clubs?

**Erin:** I'm open to suggestions.

**Angie:** We have a few bookmarks that say "Good luck with finals".

**Erin:** Does anyone know where to get the AS sunglasses?

**Cecile:** Check the proposals.

**Spin:** Would some of the funding go to a "Most green" or Eco friendly booth.

**Erin:** Yes!

*Action item approved unanimously.*

**IX. Director / Advisor / Committee Reports**

**Spin:** We need to have a discussion on the . As we move into campaigning, we need to make sure that integrity is maintained. If you see anyone violating the rules, take a picture. Get physical evidence.

**Caitlin:** ICC meeting this Thursday at SCI 140.

**Erin:** Club row, guys! Really excited! I am welcome to hear all of your suggestions.

**Faheem:** Marketing material for Quiznos. –Reads ad—

**Cecile:** Amending the fiscal policy to include the sustainability rules.

**Yacob:** Met with people for the Town Hall meeting (Jon and Ty). Wants to include a debate.

**Chioma:** Very excited to talk about the meeting with Charlie Yen. He's the connection point with the cafeteria vendors and us. More variety in the salad bar. Going to follow up with him after the meeting.

**Jemal:** Trying to set up the Constitution committee as soon as possible. We'll discuss the ballot.

**Parker:** I hope everyone remembered the event tonight. We're going to mix art into activism. We have some veggie platters and food there, too. I hope you can make it for that. I'm working an English professor who has access to a documentary about underprivileged people in the Bronx. We're going to work on bringing it back to campus.

**Sam:** Working on newsletter; able to get either 250, 500, or 1000 prints for \$300.

**Mohammad:** Reaching out to students about the election. Updating Facebook page with Election information. E-mailed a couple businesses but haven't heard back yet. If you know of any that might be interested in working with us, let us know. As far as the nametags, do we want to include the names of the directors' positions they work for?

**Jon:** Have been e-mailing people like crazy; unfortunately, only Scholars and Pico Promise have forwarded my message. The deadline for the Summer study abroad is March 22.

**Angie:** What do you think about the Harlem shake video? I want the Board's approval for a T-shirt for my activities committee to easily identify

**Steven:** Waste: It's upset me. We talked to the Subway about their plastic bags; they won't budge. Going to use the water bottles we bought; going to have an active campaign.

**Jesse:** Marketed the Town Hall meeting. Working with his publicity committee on the website. AS election materials are on the showcases. How is an election code going to supersede the constitution?

**Dean Hearn:** Activity Hour, depending on the number of people who show up, there's another workshop. Two meetings butting heads. Going to give priority to the mandatory committee meeting tomorrow. Regarding the student who came up and brought this to your attention. My recommendation

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is to sit down on the Election committee. Congrats to you all! Got a lot done quickly. Smoking on campus: There was a task force put together by the President. We had to educate people kind of slowly. Your constitution gives you the authority if you see that there aren't enough candidates running to change the date of the elections. Depending on which mandatory meeting you attend, will depend on when you can start campaigning.

**Benny:** Want to thank Angie for her event. It was good. Staying on top of financial aid. CalGrant— Business as usual. Transfer grant is still available. Minimum GPA is 2.4. Will be notifying all students by the end of this month if they didn't make any corrections to the FAFSA. Many students are eligible for financial aid and they still haven't applied. You can be reimbursed for last semester. You can apply all the way until the end of May.

**X. Discussion Items**

10.1. SSCCC (Parker)

**Parker:** If some of us could drive there, it would save money.

10.2. Zimride (Steven)

**Steven:** From what I understand, this wasn't worthwhile. They did a three year contract. I was not on board with Zimride in the beginning. I don't understand this "report". I think it's them advertising.

**Sam:** Saw a friend's picture in the report. Asked about it. Said they hadn't used it for school, just occasional rides.

**Steven:** Originally created for some rides. Not a consistent thing.

**XI. Adjournment**