

Associated Students of Santa Monica College
A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting
May 20, 2013 3:00 PM
Cayton Center, Room #202

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I. Call to Order 3:01pm

II. Roll Call

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

III. Public Comments (2 minutes per person)

Dennis: Brooklyn Castle. Impressed by the movie that was shown last week and the fact that the AS was behind it. Saw numerous directors and professors at the event. Believes that chess is something that should be more widely taught, especially to the younger generations.

John Fraiser: Congrats on SMC on having a great leadership roll within the region and staying involved.

Armand: New contract coming up for the relationship with Bikerowave. Speak on behalf of the students he knows that support the matter that would not talk at this meeting. Program means a lot to the students here.

Alex: Support of the Bikerowave program.

Jason Beardsley: Fulltime faculty advisor to bike club. Recognize the necessity of Bikerowave with the safety of students. Crucial service. Continue the support of the Bikerowave program.

Shaphan: Prematurely pass the bill that supports instate tuition for all veterans. Will soon be coming down through legislature. Missouri and Tennessee are look at this issue and many other colleges are as well. Get prematurely passed before it comes down. Veterans cannot always afford the tuition and would be a good idea to have education be more available to them (selling point for the school—support the veterans).

William: In support of the Bikrowave program. Has helped him fix his bike and allow him to get to school.

Gladys: Believes that the Bikerowave program should be renewed. Has been able to fix her bike free of cost and thinks that the program should continue.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motioned by Jon, Seconded by Erin

Cecile: Motion to change 6.4 and 6.7; 6.4—changes made to the original proposal; was not reading the right page and approved the original prince. Change price to \$350

Yacob seconded.

Amendment is unanimously approved

6.7—Motion to change price to new price to \$490.88

Erin seconded.

Amendment is unanimously approved

Amended Agenda is unanimously approved.

V. Approval of Minutes for May 13, 2013

Motioned by Faheem, Seconded by Erin

Minutes are unanimously approved

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

Motion to approve by Yacob, seconded by Erin

- 6.1. Approval of funding for **Kapisanang Pilipino** for funding for Kapisanang Pilipino's end of the semester banquet. This includes Neri's Bakery & fast food, drinks and special events rental. (Jaime, ICC Allotment: \$250.00).
- 6.2. Approval of funding for **German Club** for funding for everyday club activities. This includes German World magazine subscription, Ferrero Duplo bars, Kinder Hanta minis, Kinder Schoko-Bons bag, Ritter mini bar and Kinder chocolate bars. (Rizwan, ICC Allotment \$498.01).
- 6.3. Approval of funding for **Gender Sexuality Alliance** for funding for GSA activities. This includes rainbow wristbands, banner, rainbow flag and shipping cost. (Andy, ICC Allotment: \$536.62).
- 6.4. Approval of funding for **Gender Sexuality Alliance** for funding for end of semester banquet on May 31st. This includes food for 30 club members, estimated tax and gratuity. (Andy, ICC Allotment: \$350.00).
- 6.5. Approval of funding for **Pan African Student Union** for funding for a barbecue. This includes food, cutlery, drinks, charcoal and board games. (Mesue, ICC Allotment: \$245.00).
- 6.6. Approval of funding for **Pan African Student Union** for end of semester celebration. This includes drinks and food. Note: AS will not fund water bottles. (Mesue, ICC Allotment: up to \$100.00).
- 6.7. Approval of funding for **International Youth Fellowship** to purchase cultural items and clothes for the Cultural Festival. This includes Indian and Korean costumes. Note: Pending approval of the costumes until refund is received for previously purchased costumes. (Joshua, ICC Allotment: \$490.88)

All consent action items are unanimously approved

Pulled Consent Action Items:

VII. Action Items

- 7.1. Approval to support resolution requesting that Santa Monica College approve In-state fees for all Military Veterans (Jesse)

Motioned by Faheem, Seconded by Erin

Jesse: Adding on to what Shaphan, the president of the Student Vets Club said, show support of bills that allow in-state tuition for all military veterans that serve our country.

Spin: When it comes to different GI Bills, based on a period of time. Can activate it for a certain period of time. If he starts using it now, will cover the most expensive public school in the state tuition.

Shaphan: They cover instate and veterans have to cover all other expenses. Biggest thing trying to push is to allow veterans to come to this college. There are many "veteran friendly" colleges and others that will end up passing the bill to be "veteran friendly." Think that Santa Monica College because of the great community. They will pay up to that but not exceeding that amount. Preemptively support this bill

Spin: If veterans can come here without using the GI bill, when they transfer they can then activate the GI bill and not have problems affording the costs of those schools since those schools are higher.

Parker: All veterans if they come to CA would be considered

Shaphan: Within a certain time frame, often 12 months. Can't come 10 years later and then get instate tuition because then at that point it would seemingly appear that they had chosen another state and could be unfair.

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Parker: Currently a bill in the assembly?

Shaphan: S. 257. Newer bill that is passing through the assembly currently, "Less aggressive" and doesn't necessarily force schools into doing things (and where if they don't, they get penalized)

Parker: [Reads Jesse's resolution]. Our board would be taking a stand on it; measure of solidarity. Resolution is worded oddly at some points and there is incorrect information within the resolution.

John Fraser: Important part is looking at the actually resolution and what you're doing. Other things can be changed at a later change

Dean Hearn: Clarification on the bill. Particular resolution, trying to get veterans coming to California to get instate tuition to all community colleges or just SMC

Shaphan: At this point, preemptively doing it just at SMC right now. Will eventually be a nationwide thing

Yacob: Point of doing this now when it will eventually pass? Makes more sense to have the college to just support the bill since it is difficult to get the college to just fund something like a garden.

Parker: Add a line in the resolution showing the support for the bill?

Parker: S. 257 is federal legislation. At this point, we would be supporting the resolution. Add a second resolve that says "Resolved; the Associated Students supports S. 257." Is there any more discussion on the resolution? Would just be taking a stance to on the resolution.

Dean Hearn: How soon does this need to be approved? Can this be done at the next meeting.

Would hate to have the board feel rushed on something that they are not

Yacob: Could also work on fine tuning the resolution.

Jemal: Motion to postpone this action item until next week, Mohammad

No objection – ***Action item is postponed to next meeting***

7.2. Approval to support resolution for men's self-defense class (Parker)

Motioned by Mohammad, Seconded by Faheem

Parker: Came up originally at the beginning of the year by Jesse. Perfectly okay with a women's self defense class but want to offer a similar class for men if the women's class cannot be co-ed. Reality is that men also experience violence. Support the idea of having a new co-ed class or simply an all men's class.

Jesse: Current professor encourages men to be a part of the class and learn about defense in a friendly environment. Should offer a class with the same ideology of the women's class and learn to deal with aggression and bullying.

Cecile: Change the name of the class if men are actually invited to join the class? Men are probably discouraged to join the class since it actually just says Women in the title.

Parker: Only if the class was truly a co-ed class. If not add a separate one

Jemal: The class says for women but it technically is for both sexes? Why not just change the class title.

Parker: [Read resolution with an ultimate goal of making a class that is co-ed or open to men]

Mohammad: Feel that a co-ed class wouldn't work. Techniques to defend class are different and would recommend support two different classes, just for women and just for men.

Parker: There are pros and cons to both and both are valid. Still think either or is fine.

Yacob: Unfair to discuss this without the person that created the class. Women are more likely to be assaulted and this is the purpose of this class.

Dean Hearn: Decide whether you want to the class to be strictly co-ed or men. Add credit course somewhere in the resolution.

Jesse: Department chair said that she would like to keep the class name and also add a men's class. Bring awareness. Support with Dean Hearn that we support just a men's class

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Parker: Point of doing both would be to give people the option. Personally opinion is that the RAD program is a great program and that at some point men should be allowed to have the opportunity to learn to defend themselves as well.

Steven: Aren't taking away anything by creating this class.

Yacob: Would sit here and vote on resolutions but is pointless if no one takes action afterwards. Really need to go to the Academic Senate to get something done.

Jon: Not coming from the standpoint where "one has one, so the other needs one," equal opportunity.

Parker: Since I brought the resolution up, intention was not to have it be where if one has it the other has it too. With this resolution, take it to the academic senate and get something actually done.

Action item is unanimously approved

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

- 8.1. Approval of funding for **A.S. Board of Directors** to donate much needed funds to the regional and state levels of the Student Senate for California Community Colleges. This includes donation to SSCCC (\$8,000) and region VII (\$2,000). (Yacob, Contingency: \$10,000.00)
Motion by Yacob, second by Jesse

John: Speak on behalf of SSCCC and region VII. 30 members that compose council that makes decisions on a very day basis—group that is currently in debt because you have to fly 30 people to fly to Sacramento and have the resources to have an effective meeting. Region VII cut 70% because of budget cuts and need donations from local ASOs to work. Would be the 2nd or 3rd to make a donation without a senator.

Parker: Bring up a great point. Make everything more transparent where local ASOs could have more of an input on the Student Success Task Force.

John: First concern—input on task force recommendations. Quest for transparency but always be there.

Parker: As far as the 2000 to the region, would go more towards transportation and hotel cost?

Yacob: Yes and so they could be in close proximity to people that can make a true difference

John: [explain SSCCC with visuals]. Process is often inefficient and has many steps. Region VII has been defunct until this year; there were 5 presidents in a span of two years. With R7, trying to rebuild. No college donated a single dollar in this year—don't believe that they deserved the donations. Need donations now to start being effective again. Region is there to help with resolutions and different things.

Jon: How much did Pasadena contribute to this and have you talked to other colleges and what is the ultimate goal?

John: \$22,000 from Pasadena. Have been reaching out to region delegates. In a whole new ballpark—if SMC donates, the rest of the colleges will be pressured into donating as well

Jon: Have been to Region VII meeting, definitely for approving this major action item

Michelle: How to we know about the region VII budget? Put on the website?

John: SSCCC has a person within the region that demands accountability; could put a stipulation on this donation as well. Can arrange for it to be open within the region as well.

Parker: SSCCC has been doing a great job; Support this because it is moving away from funding from the chancellors office and becoming more independent. It's a lot of money put the two groups need it—meaningful expense.

Jesse: Great idea but concerned about the accountability within the region since it is not as clear as SSCCC.

John: Region VII's problem is that they haven't spent money. Have no problem showing accountability.

In favor -14, Opposed- 0, Abstain - 1

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The major action item passes.

- 8.2. Approval of funding for **A.S. Board of Directors** for funding Pre-paid stand time for A.S. bikers at bike co-op Bikerowave from July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014. This includes prepaid 540 hours of stand time. (Steven, Special project: \$3,780.00).
Motion by Jemal, seconded by Erin
Steven: Didn't know about the program before this year. Pass around the list of students that have used to Bikerowave within the past year. Atmosphere of Bikerowave is incredibly open. People go in and learn how to fix their bikes themselves and helps the culture of biking at Santa Monica College. Paying for a complete year of stand time in the 2013-2014 school year—put in the budgets of next year's board. Talked to the next Director of Sustainability and she is for the program as well. This bill was supposed to be paid a year ago yet they still offered us stand time without giving us a hassle about anything—a lot of good will on their part.
Parker: The donation is for what hasn't been paid?
Steven: This would cover future expenses.
Jemal: Has gone into here before; you learn the first time and then you can go in yourself and do it with no problem. Add more publicity to the program.
Parker: Maybe add a banner to the bike area promoting this idea. Money would go to sustain stand time.
The major action item passes unanimously
- 8.3. Approval of funding for **Inter Club Council** to host the bi-annual ICC Social for Spring 2013. (Erin, ICC: up to \$3,282.00)
Motioned by Jemal, Seconded by Mohammad
Erin: May 30th in Cayton. Theme is similar to the under the sea ball in the first back to the future. Table clothes won't be ready in time. Requesting to \$100 (to \$3,382.00) to the budget—this is more expensive than the fall one because we had the
Motion to change the price from \$3,282 to \$3,382.00
Jemal, seconded by Yacob.
The major action item passes unanimously
- 8.4. Approval of funding for **Civic Engagement Program** for funding for a pilot program. This includes a stipend for a graduate student, stipend for a designer, 50 posters, 4 banners and half page flyers. Pending district approval of the intern and approval of supplies requested when clear evidence of the structure is shown. (Van, Student Success: \$989.00).
Motion by Erin, Seconded by Faheem
Parker: Added language about pending district approval and clear evidence.
Van: Hoping to have answers for today because was supposed to have a meeting with VP Tuitasi. He was in support of the program and is still trying to gain the answers. Believe that the additions are reasonable and understand why they're there
Parker: Most of what we're funding is the supplies to make this program successful. Great to see that you have support.
Jon: Looking at the proposal, believe in the concept but have an issue with the fact that there are no invoices and no contact with the intern
Parker: All funding is pending district approval. Money will be able to be spent once the district approves everything
Dean Hearn: I also support this. Once everything is fully set up, if you don't feel like you have enough money, can also ask for additional funds
Van: How do I go about making the contracts?

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Parker: Forms are available online; district approval to show legitimacy
Jesse: So no money will be spent; look at the model of AGS since they have been able to structure everything in an effective way
Alex: Since this will be with me next year, was hoping to have the support of and work with clubs
Steven: Impressed with Van's determination and dedication with this program
Major action item is unanimously approved

IX. Discussion Items

9.1 Naming and launch strategy for an SMC Re-use network with TradePal.com (Chioma)
Chioma: Give SMC a reused network for students; students can do things like trade books for cash or for other books, and can actually see their reduction in carbon footprint. (Carbon savings count up) Everything is free except for cash sales/transactions (%6 taken out of cash transactions). \$10,000 startup fee is waived.
Faheem: How long have they been around?
Chioma: Relatively new company.
Faheem: Makes sense that if they will waive the fee—great marketing if they can get SMC as a client
Jon: What are the benefits of this?
Faheem: Don't agree with this; You can still use this website without being involved. They should be paying us for this
Chioma: Just an idea. You aren't obligated to use the service
Steven: Similarities with Zimride
Parker: Looks like a blend of craigslist and ebay. Is it within the community or globally?
Chioma: Pitched as an idea of community.
Jasmine: Should focus on the free services available to students

X. Director / Advisor / Committee Reports (3 minutes each)

Spin: Gone Thursday. Last meeting passed.
Caitlin: Chaired the meeting on Thursday. 1 club installed that won't get any money or anything like that. Finished before 5pm.
Erin: Proud of Caitlin for chairing the ICC meeting. ICC Social coming up on the 30th and will be ordering things soon.
Faheem: Agree with Ty where we should be wary about the companies we are adding to the business list—certain businesses are not within the image we want to promote. Shirts and sweaters are on hold because of outstanding debt but it is currently being taken care of. Will make a call to the tradepal person after the meeting
Cecile: Last finance meeting on Wednesday—31 proposals and order is set; wont be accepting late proposals. Have been having a difficult time reaching the new budget director.
Chioma: DPAC meeting on Friday to go over cafeteria survey.
Parker: Had a great time with the public policy institute and symposium—great connections made and a lot was gained—happy we funded that. Had a good event with the Brooklyn Castle screening—thank the board for allowing the funding for that. Elections tomorrow—make sure to vote if you are eligible.
Jemal: Great constitution committee meeting last week; Joint Council this upcoming Wednesday at 4pm. Banquet is coming along well—haven't heard back from the new board.
Yacob: Last Friday, SMC came in full force at the region meeting; hectic meeting. Workshop tomorrow in HSS165 about international politics and how countries succeed after failing.
Ty: AB955 passed despite trying to reach out to Richard Bloom and urging him to vote no—still voted yes. Demonstration in front of his office, details coming soon
Jon: Sent out an email to AS reps about getting time sheets in on time—AS Rep meeting last Thursday was a hit and unfortunately had to miss the re-colonization of Africa talk. Still working on the Garden

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and working with commissioners to find sustainable plaques. While doing promotion for events, hard to get information out so started partnering up with different programs within the school (black collegians, scholars, etc.)—good idea to partner up with these programs since they have access to different student's emails. Wanted to find the difference between AS sticker discount and student worker discount—clear up confusion for other students. Still need to see if students without stickers can sit on committees

Steven: New director has been shadowing---sustainability is set for next year. Water fountain is being built on the East Coast currently. Think that its great that sustainability is spreading to other directors. Michelle: Update on things the Board of Trustees is currently doing (3rd quarter budget update, state budget update, projections, student success, institutional effectiveness and set targets)

Jesse: Working on advertising the Persian New Year Event and Memorial Day on the 27th.

Dean Hearn: Hoping that the college has some plan of communication during potentially dangerous events on campus. Next week—email all individually year end questions and evaluations (evaluate self about how you did). Work stations need to be cleaned and cleared and once she receives everything, will receive stipends.

XI. Adjournment—6:16pm