

Associated Students of Santa Monica College
A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting
September 30, 2013 3:00 PM
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I. Call to Order 3:05

II. Roll Call

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| AS President: Ty Moura P | Director of Student Advocacy: Okky Jaya A |
| AS Vice President: Alex Vandertol P | Director of Publicity: Michael Greenberg P |
| AS Secretary: Diana Echeverria | Director of Outreach: Cassandra Ramirez P |
| Director of Student Services: Kseniya Lyalina P | ICC Chair: Jasmine Jafari P |
| Director of Sustainability: Halie Wilis P LA 4:45 | ICC Vice Chair: Maya Kaitel P |
| Director of AcSupp/S.G.: Maryam Allameh P LA 3:30 | ICC Communications Officer: Sarah Yoseph P |
| Director of Activities: Matthew Nicholson P | Student Trustee: Jesse Ramirez P |
| Director of Inst. & Tech. Support: Cyrus Hosseini P | Dean of Student Life: Deyna Hearn P |
| Director of Budget Management: Inayat Issa P | Counselor/Student Advisor: Benny Blaydes P |

III. Approval Of Agenda

Motion to approve by Jasmine, Second.
Motion to postpone Consent Action Item 7.2 indefinitely
Amended agenda approved unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes for September 23, 2013

Motion to approve by Alex, Second.
Minutes approved unanimously.

V. Public Comments (2 minutes per person)

Kyle McGrath: A few years ago when I came to smc, I didn't know who the AS was. Last week the director of publicity got me thinking. SMC is so diverse. We have a large variety of people who like and dislike things. Just think about who you represent when making decisions.

David Burak: I wanted to invite October 11th about a film, blackfish.

Dean Hearn: I want to introduce you to Sonali Bridges.

Sonali Bridges: I am looking forward to knowing each of you. Please schedule an appointment with me. Know that I'm here to support whatever you're doing.

Tom Peters: I'm here to encourage opposition to AB955. I hope you continue to oppose this.

VI. Action Items

Motion to approve action items by Michael, second

- 6.1. Approval of maintaining AS Board of Directors opposition on the AB955 Bill by the **Associated Students Board of Directors.** (Ty Moura, AS President).

Ty: for the last couple of years, the A.S. student directors has opposed this because the students did not like it. Instead of paying the 46 dollars for classes, you would pay 200 dollars a unit and you cannot use your bog waiver. This is not in the true spirit of what community college means. We are here to represent the students.

Inayat: I am going to play devil's advocate. I wanted to know, are there any pros to the bill? According to my understanding, if this bill were to get passed, it would create classes for students to take if they were to pay the cost. Aren't more classes better for students?

Ty: the community colleges are not obligated to offer winter or summer session. This bill would only allow for this to be implemented. If they want to completely privatize the sessions, they can. This bill was designed for veterans. They would be able to pay with the GI bill.

Alex: Some of the arguments for this were that students that get turned away from SMC during intersession sometimes go to other colleges that are for profit college. If you were to go to this

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school and drop out before getting a degree, those credits are not transferable.

Inayat: In the bill does it state how these funds will be used?

Ty: all the revenue generated does not go to the state, 1/3 of it goes to subsidizing regular classes. The 66% is up to the college's discretion. If they want to offer contract education classes or they can do a hybrid. It's up to the college. Out of the 6 colleges that started to pilot programs, only 1 is eligible.

Ty: the bill is on the governor's desk and tomorrow it will be in the board of trustee's meeting. I sent everyone with an email with the bill.

Member of the public: Is the 200 dollars in the revised bill?

Ty: That's how much it would cost to cover it but they could charge more

Member of the public: They can charge as much as they want

Member of the public: Instead of making progressive reforms to our tax system, AB955 is a de facto increase on students. This is unjust to young students.

Jasmine: We need to prioritize education.

Michael: This is one of the solutions to budget cut, but this is the wrong solution. I am open to different solutions.

Ty: Reads Oppose assembly bill.

vote: 11 for opposition

Action Item Approved

- 6.2. Approval of adopting a supporting stance on the California Modernization Economic Developing (CMED) Act by the **Associated Students Board of Directors**. (Ty Moura, AS President).

Motion to approve by Inayat, Second.

Ty: What this act would do would install a tax on oil companies. Oil companies are not paying any money for drilling oil in California. 9.5% tax to these corporations to extract oil, all revenue would go to education in California.

Michael: is taxing them for taking them from the ground. It wouldn't make oil more expensive.

Ty: most of the oil extracted in California is sold in other parts of the country. Most of the oil, we consume comes from Alaska. The price of oil is dictated by a global market.

Jasmine: Our gas prices are currently the 3rd highest in the country.

Call to question by Michael, Second

Action item approved unanimously

- 6.3. Approval to reallocate pre-approved funding of \$600.00 that was intended to hire an intern to be used for advertising for **Civic Engagement Program (C.E.P.)**. (Alex Vandertol, Vice President).

Motion to approve by Inayat, Second.

Van Tran: 250 of it would go to a corsair advertisement; the rest would be for miscellaneous advertising. This money has already been approved, we just want to reallocate it.

Action item approved unanimously

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

Motion to approve by Michael

- 7.1. Approval of funding for **Associated Students Board of Directors** to fund an open forum at the quad for students to express themselves. This includes fruits, veggies, and pastries. (Alex Vandertol, Activities: \$120.00).

- 7.2. Approval of funding for **Rotaract Club** to fund 2013 Big West Conference to exchange ideas about service, fellowship, leadership, and professionalism. This includes United in Service Conference Pass, housing by Cal Rotaractor, and food expense pending an advisor is found.

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(Chloe Bloedt, ICC Allotment: \$400.00).

- 7.3. Approval of funding for **Board of Trustees Club** to create incentive for the A.S. students who attend the Board of Trustees meeting. This includes 2 platters of Subway sandwiches and tax. (Alex Abramoff, ICC Allotment: \$142.00).
Consent Action Items 7.1 and 7.3 Approved Unanimously

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

- 8.1. Approval of funding for **CEUS, Eco-Action Club, and Associated Students Board of Directors** to support the cost of various expenses during Sustainability Week on October 21st-25th. (Genevieve, Special Projects: \$4594.84, ICC Allotment: \$150.00)
Motion to approve by Jasmine, Second
Lisa Lewis: I am talking in behalf of Genevieve. During sustainability week, we are having activities to raise awareness.
Ty: could we have our as logo on everything. What's the company that you use for the sustainable ink?
Lisa: You will be placed on flyers and the reusable bottles. There is a company; dsj on pico, Jeff Vaughn could be the one to contact.
Kseniya: Eco action benefits the students, smc and the community.
Major action items 8.1 approved unanimously
- 8.2. Approval of funding for **SMC Grounds Department** to fund a memorial for the victims on June 7th. This includes steel curved mounted bench, 3 bronze plaques, set up fees, and taxes. (Tom Corpus, Special Projects: up to \$2192.54).
Motion to approve Major action item 8.1 by Jasmine, Second.
motion to postpone until next week, by Michael, second
postponed approved by 14, opposed by 1
Postpone approved
- 8.3. Approval of funding for **Associated Students Board of Directors** to purchase reusable water bottles with A.S. logo for students with A.S. stickers. This includes 600- 20oz reusable water bottles and shipping. (Halie Wilis, Sustainability: \$2,256.00).
Motion to approve by Michael, Second
Consent action item approved unanimously
- 8.4. Approval of funding for **Associated Students Board of Directors** to fund stipends for students sitting on campus-wide committees. This includes stipends for the Fall, Winter, and Spring Semesters. (Maryam Allameh, Special Projects: \$8,000.00).
Motion to approve by Michael, Second
Maryam: students who sit on committees will be given \$10 dollars an hours.
Dean Hearn: the last 2 years have been 10 dollars an hour.
Major action item approved unanimously

IX. Discussion Items

- 9.1. Lines in the cafeteria to use the microwave (Cyrus: Inst. & Tech. Support)
Cyrus: every time I walk in the cafeteria there is a long line.
Michael: I would support a proposal.
Inayat: If we buy a board, we can publicize on it.
Michael: the more places we see the as logo, the more attention we get.

X. Director / Advisor / Committee Reports

Matthew: club awareness day last week was a big hit. Next event I'm planning is club Olympics in November
Ty: we had a student that really wants to know what the directors are doing. I told him we have folder

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with all the info you're requiring from me. Don't be surprised if students ask to see them. Students had the opportunity to talk to the secretary of labor and watch the documentary. One of the trustees really liked the movie. He will be helping as bring the movie on campus. We were talking about maybe having it at the broad stage.

Alex: tomorrow is the first open forum at 11:15 to 12:45 at the quad. If you're interested in voicing your opinions and having info on obamacare. There will also be food. We are going to have an awesome time.

Cassy: in the week I have been in office, I have been working on a lot of stuff. I am developing an art competition. I want to have a student artist if we need help with artistic endeavors. The hop hop rap battles on education with no cursing will be fun. We are going to have dancers, artists, a live dj.

Michael: I have proposals in for scantrons & blue books, as stickers. Directors please tell me if you want to have something publicized in the corsair. The best way to do it is to send me a powerpoint slide.

Ty: Can we get new microphones?

Inayat: If you want to be on the Wednesday's finance agenda. If you want to be on next Wednesday's finance meeting agenda. You have to get it time stamped by Michelle. You cannot put it in the folder or it will not be put on the agenda

Jasmine: The election code you will be voting on next week. The health center doesn't give masks for the flu season. I made a proposal for masks. I think it would be a benefit for students.

Dean Hearn: there is a homecoming planning committee. If you have an activity you want to put on, see the director of activities. Anytime, you postpone something for next week, it has to be on the agenda.

Jesse: I took the opposition to AB955 on behalf of the board. Tomorrow, we have our board of trustees meeting. I would encourage you guys to come to our meeting tomorrow.

Ty: I would like for the constitution committee to form again.

Supplies committee (Michael): I am rely trying to get polos by ccsaa. If there is to be a 2nd item would be a button up shirt.

Cafeteria committee (Ty): we have been following up from the event and meeting with the vendors. SO far we have met with tcb. They have agreed to offer discounts for people who bring their own mugs.

XI. Adjournment 5:11

Motion to adjourn by Michael, Second.