

Associated Students of Santa Monica College
A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting
February 17th, 2015, 3:00 P.M., Cayton Center Lounge
Santa Monica College address: 1900 Pico Blvd, Santa Monica, CA, 90405
Associated Student Phone Number: (310) 434-4250
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I. Call to Order—3:00pm

II. Roll Call

A.S. President: Jesse Randel P	Director Of Instructional Support: Martha Linden P
A.S. Vice-President: Steve Maldonado P	Director Of Publicity: Kishore Athreya P
A.S. Secretary: Wave Baskerville P	Director Of Sustainability: Heather Haro P
Director of Budget Management: Samuel Ross P	ICC Chair: VACANT
ICC Vice Chair: VACANT	Director Of Activities: Amber Winter P
Director Of Student Outreach: Alexandra Brechensbauer A	ICC Communications Officer: VACANT
Director Of Community Relations: Aicha Conde P	Student Trustee: Jonathan Eady A
Director Of Student Advocacy: Kymia Mahjouri P	Interim Associated Dean Of Student Life: Dr. Nancy Grass P
Director Of Student Assistance: Johnathon Hughes P (left 3:30)	Counselor/Student Advisor: Benny Blaydes P

III. Public Comments (3 Minutes per speaker)—None

IV. Approval of Agenda

Director of Budget Management moved to approve, Seconded
Without objection, the agenda was approved

V. Approval of Minutes—December 10th

Director of Publicity moved to approve, Seconded
Without objection, the minutes were approved

VI. Finance Committee Report—None

VII. Consent Action Item (Under \$1,000)—None

VIII. Major Action Item (Over \$1,000)—None

IX. Action Item

9.1 AS support of the Gender Equity Resource Center with the stipulation of having student involvement in every step of the way.

Director of Budget Management moved to approve, Seconded

Discussion:

Discussed the possibility of creating a standing committee, based on demand.

This would insure student representation. Talked about where the center would be, the background, and information on center.

Without objection the motion passed

X. Discussion Item

10.1 Placement of previously bought 2 TV's, 2 mounts of the TV's, and 1 set of in-wall speakers for the conference room that are currently sitting in the AS closet.



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- Director of the Instructional Support introduced the discussion. Ideas were discussed on where the items should be placed. The possibility of rewiring and placing TV's in Cayton Center was talked about. The A.S. Board came to a consensus that more research is needed to see what the possibilities are.

10.2 Filling the 3 ICC vacancies and dispersion of ICC duties among active directors, until new members are enacted.

- During the next ICC meeting, February 25th, nominations will be taken for the vacant positions. The A.S. Secretary will be taking over the ICC Communication Officer responsibilities and the A.S. President will be taking over the ICC Chair responsibilities, for the time being. Directors are encouraged to assist with any duties that require more work. Recruiting can start now for positions. Any information about elections is online in the election code. Plans for how to publicize for ICC vacant positions and elections were discussed.

XI. Director & Committee Reports (3 minutes)

11.1 Directors' Reports

Director of Community Relations:

- Lets talk proposals and health codes are being worked on.
- Discussed idea about a stress free zone and utilizing the bookshelf in the Cayton Center.
- Is creating a Book of Thoughts, where students are able to write in about anything.
- Trying to get company's to donate tampons and pads. A letter to be sent to companies is being created. Program will be run through the Health Center.
- Wants to create hygienic packages for homeless students.
- Is making a video to invite students to Let's Talk and encourages AS to use videos to get more publicity.
- Volunteer boxes are being set up to inform students about community service ideas.
- Meetings on satellite campus's (asked for help from other directors)

Director of Student Advocacy:

- March 8th, Anita Sarkeesian.
- March 10th, Rosa Moreno.
- March 17th, Jackson Katz.
- March 22nd, Mara Brock Akil.
- April 19th, Helena Lazaro.
- May 24th, Virginia Espino.

AS Vice President:



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- DPAC committees: has scheduled and planned days when commissioners and he will present the vacancies and committees each student's can serve on. Also to ICC meetings.
- Constitution and Joint Council: encourages directors to email him a time and day they can begin to hold the constitution committee meetings.
- Pingrab, what was introduced as Pindrop. The medium and platform predicated to enhancing college/groups/clubs/organization changed its name to Pingrab. Also the beta launches in April.

A.S. President:

- Unit minimum requirement for learning disabled students and hopefully stem students will be main focus this semester.
- Commended Director of Community Relations on her volunteer box idea.
- New office policy and rules were discussed (studying is aloud at your desk by yourself or in conference room)

As Secretary:

- Read agenda and minutes before the meetings.
- Email Director reports.

Director of Budget Management:

- Fiscal Policy was being looked at over winter and will be discussed during the firs finance meeting, February 24th.
- Discussed the \$30 thousand dollars approved last year for the Dream Scholarship, which was never received.
- Possible purchasing of benches for an alternative smoking area.
- Report from DPAC Budget
 - o Governor Brown will not be raising tuition fees for next year
 - o Budget will be deficit factored at 99.4% for the upcoming fiscal year
 - o Resident enrollment is only up slightly and non-resident enrollment is down slightly; this could affect the college's budget, especially if resident enrollment decreases and stabilization kicks in
 - o The '15-16 Fiscal Year has a projected structural deficit of \$3.9M, offset by this year's one-time \$11M reimbursement from the state

Director Instructional Support:

- Scholarship button to be moved next to the financial aid button.
- Expenditures on scantrons and bluebooks are over 10,000 per semester, which should not be happening.
- Looking into creating a quiet floor in the library.
- Is going to talk to the library about extending hours during midterms and finals.

Director of Student Assistance:

- 4 students have been utilized the food voucher program on the first day of its launch.



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- Advertising is in needed.

Director of Sustainability:

- Uberpool is in effect on 18th St. and Pico as a pick up zone.
 - o Uberpool2016 is the code to get a \$20 free ride.
- SMC student discount for green bikes for \$46 dollars for 6 months.
- Zip cars on Pearl St.
- Bikerowave will be contacted to see if they received their money.
- We got carabinieri to take.

11.2 Committee Reports--None

XII. Student Trustee Report—*Jonathan Eady—None*

XIII. Counselors' Report—*Benny Blaydes*

- February 26th is when SMC Scholarship Applications are due.
- Respond when colleges email you.
- Directors need to schedule their first meeting with counselor.
- Financial aid deadline is March 2nd.
- Cal Grant is due March 2nd.
- ICC meeting will be in HSS 105.
- BOG taken away if you are on probation for 2 years.
- TV's up in Cayton is a place where A.S. can do a lot of advertising.

XIV. Advisor Report—*Dr. Nancy Grass*

- ICC club packets due at 3:00pm on Friday.
- Office rules will be handed out tomorrow.
- Encourages Board to have a weekly ad in the corsair.
- Anita Sarkeesian luncheon is March 8th.
- March in March is cancelled.

XV. Adjournment—**4:27**

Director of Budget Management moved to adjourn, Seconded



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