



Associated Students of Santa Monica College

A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting

February 19, 2020, 3:00 p.m., Cayton Center Student Lounge (2nd Floor)

Santa Monica College, 1900 Pico Blvd, Santa Monica, CA, 90405

Associated Students Office Phone Number: (310) 434-4250

MINUTES

I. Call to Order – 3:00pm

II. Roll Call

P	President , Daniel Cha	P	Director Student Assistance , Safa Saleem
P	Vice President , Yongha Hwang		Director Instructional Support , VACANT
P	Director Budget Management , Skander Zmerli	P	Director Publicity , Sabina Lee
P	Secretary , Nathan Silberberg	P	Director Sustainability , Adriel Ghadoushi
L	Director Activities , Carla Claure	P	ICC Chair , Natalie Lim
P	Director Outreach , Tafari Alan	AB	ICC Vice Chair , Gabriella Montgomery
AB	Director Community Relations , Ching Yi Yu	P	ICC Communications Officer , Girard Dela Roca
P	Director Student Advocacy , Summer Le	P	Student Trustee , Brooke Harrington

P	Associate Dean : Dr. Isaac Rodriguez Lupercio	P	Counselor/Advisor : Benny Blaydes
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III. Public Comments (2 Minutes Per Speaker)

IV. Approval of Minutes — November 25, 2019 & February 7, 2020

- **Motion to approve both board minutes:** Dir. Of Student Assistance, 2nd by Dir. Of Sustainability

V. Student Trustee Report — Brooke Harrington (5 minutes per speaker)

- **December:**
 - Approved architectural services contract for the Art Complex Replacement Project - \$1.6 million. The New Location: 14th and Pico blvd (current Alumni building). Consolidating all art classes into one location within the next 2-5 years.
 - Approved updated Board objectives and goals from 2017.
 - Parking tax ordinance from City of Santa Monica effective January 1st
- **January:**
 - Presidents Report:
 - State Budget: ^4% in funding = \$318 million = 300k-500k to district
 - \$5.8 million for assistance to Dreamers programs
 - \$ towards food pantry programs for all colleges
 - Enrollment: Winter = ^3%, Spring ^2%, Non-Resident down 9%, Domestic Non-Resident ^ 6.5%
 - Vote Center: approved as a designated Election center – anyone can come to SMC and vote. Alumni bldg. for general and primary elections = February 29-March 3rd.
 - Faculty association: 6 months no contract
 - Major Items of business:
 - New SMC website underway = early March
 - SMC faculty and staff diversity report
 - Resolution in support of climate change and sustainability goals passed!
 - Facilities improvement including fixing the DSPS door
- **February:**
 - Every table grand opening next Tuesday February 25th is at 11:30am-1:30pm
 - SMC Speech and Debate team won 1st place at Fall Champs tournament
 - Major Action items:
 - Non-resident tuition increased by \$5 per unit
 - Campus Master Plan: focus on safety, green/open spaces, demo of Cayton Center/cafeteria

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- **Motion for 3 more minutes:** Dir. Of Budget Management, 2nd by ICC Chair
- **Motion for 2 more minutes:** ICC Communications Officer, 2nd by Dir. Of Student Advocacy
- Dir. Of Activities arrived at 3:15

VI. Guest Speaker (10 Minutes per speaker)

6.1 Regina Ip - SMC Website Update

- New website needed to further engage what the students want and need
- Currently training staff on how to incorporate and use the new system
- Launch in early/middle March to all of SMC
- **Motion for 2 more minutes:** ICC Chair, 2nd by Dir. of Budget Management
- **Motion for 2 more minutes:** Dir. Of Budget Management, 2nd by Dir. Of Activities

6.2 Lizzy Moore – Institutional Advancement

- Presented to the Board the grand opening of ‘Everytable Lounge’ at the SMC CMD campus for healthy, affordable meals accessible to all.

VII. Other Action Items

7.1 Confirmation of AS Board Vacancy

7.1.1 Dir. Of Instructional Support

- **Motion to approve:** Secretary, 2nd by Dir. Of Outreach

A	Vice President, Yongha Hwang	A	Director Student Assistance, Safa Saleem
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- AS Vacancy for Dir. Of Instructional Support is approved unanimously

7.2 Establish Appointment Committee to fill the following AS Vacancy

7.2.1 Dir. Of Instructional Support

Committee Members: President, ICC Chair, Dir. Of Student Assistance, Dir. Of Sustainability, Dir. Of Activities

- **Motion to approve:** Dir. Of Publicity, Dir. Of Budget Management

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VIII. Discussion Items (10 Minutes Per Item)

8.1 Food Pantries – Dir. Of Student Assistance

- Will have a new centralized food pantry called “The Bodaiga” under the Cayton Center for all food needs and some clothes. Will have fresh meals in a new fridge system. March 9th for soft opening. Will have the weekly farmers market in it.
- **Motion for 2 more minutes:** Dir. Of Outreach, 2nd by Dir. Of Student Assistance

IX. Director Reports (2 Minutes Each)

9.1 President — Daniel Cha

- Hope everyone had a great start to Spring 2020 semester
- Over Winter, had the privilege to watch the student screening of an SMC movie at CMD
- Admin and staff are looking for ways to make online classes better
- Meeting with President Jeffries of SMC this Friday to give an update of AS

9.2 Vice President — Yongha Hwang

- all commissioners from last semester but resubmit applications to be a commissioner
- huge news: Board of Governors student representative position is open and will be appointed by the California Governor
- March in March is taking place in Sacramento on March 19th
- SSCCC will have elections for 2021-2022 in April in Ontario, looking for volunteers to be in hiring committee

9.3 Dir. Publicity — Sabina Lee

- Requests updated AS director’s office hours by the end of the working week

9.4 Dir. Student Outreach — Tafari Alan

- Had the first Black History month event on the 1st day of school and was a success
- The Black Excellence panel is today with African American faculty on campus

9.5 Dir. Student Advocacy — Summer Le

- AS helped register many SMC students in Voter registration
- Sustainability resolution passed over the Winter and will continue unto the General Assembly

9.6 Dir. Student Assistance — Safa Saleem

- Still working on the Bodaiga food system to have a centralized food pantry under Cayton Center across from the Health Services center.

9.7 Dir. Sustainability — Adriel Ghadoushi

- Received the AS utensils to give out to SMC students
- Started a new campaign to have facts on all sustainable products given by AS
- Working on bringing Drop Water system to SMC

9.8 Dir. Activities — Carla Claire

- Excited for Black History Month set up by Tafari Alan
- Would like to see a talent show

9.9 ICC Chair — Natalie Lim

- AS elections are upcoming this March, consider running for the future AS board

9.10 ICC Communications – Girard Dela Roca

- First ICC meeting on February 27th



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X. Advisor Reports

10.1 Benny Blaydes, Counselor/Advisor

- Excited for first week of school
- Tony Morrison will be shown on Thursday
- March 2nd, CalGrant deadline by completing FAFSA
- TAG programs deadline is March 3rd
- March 4th event on how to transfer to UC's
- March 17th event on how to handle stress of mathematics
- AS Directors must meet with AS counselors 3 times per semester
- Fill out paperwork to walk down at SMC graduation by mid-April

10.2 Dr. Isaac Rodriguez Lupercio, Associate Dean/Advisor

- Sent out PowerPoint on how to use SmartSheets over the weekend to the Board
- Updated Election code will be up by the end of the day
- It is still possible to register the last day to vote in the Primary elections

XI. Adjournment – 4:26pm

- **Motion to adjourn in memory of Kobe and Gigi Bryant:** Secretary, 2nd by Dir. Of Student Advocacy