



Associated Students of Santa Monica College

A.S. Finance Regular Meeting

Oct. 25, 2023, 11:00 a.m. Cayton Center A.S. Conference Room (2nd Floor)

1900 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica, College 90405

The Public may join via: Zoom/Telephone

<https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/92686613618>

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

Minutes

I. Call to Order @ 11:05 AM

II. Roll Call

Voting:

Director Budget Management: David Duncan P

President: Cecilia Jeong P

Director of Sustainability: Joseph Sanchez A

ICC Vice Chair: Zach Makari P

Director of Auxiliary: David Dever P

Counselor/Advisor: Benny Blaydes P

Non-voting:

Dean of Education Enterprises: Mitch Heskel A

Associate Dean: Thomas Bui P

III. Public Comment (2 minutes per speaker): none.

IV. Approval of Minutes – 9/20/23, 9/27/23, 10/4/23, 10/11/23, 10/18/23

- Minutes for 9/20/23, 9/27/23, 10/11/23 were approved without objection.

V. Minor Action Items (under \$1000):

- 5.1** Approval for Media Showcase & Student Film Festival Refreshments and Beverages by Acting Club at SMC (Club Publicity Officer Katherine Nilsen: Cost \$250.00. Requesting \$250.00. Activities) **Proposal 266**
- Motion to table item 5.1 until the next Finance committee meeting due to absence of club representative at prior Activities meeting by Director of Auxiliary David Dever. Seconded. Item was tabled without objection.
- 5.2** Approval for Purchase of Decoration Props for Club Row by Ancient Philosophy Society (Club President Ricardo Zamora: Cost \$73.28. Requesting \$73.28. ICC Allotment) **Proposal 267**
- Motion to table item 5.2 until the end of the section due to absence of club representative by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was tabled without objection.
 - Item 5.2 was approved without objection.
- 5.3** Approval for Club Event Reusable Items by Esports Club at SMC (Director of Esports Miles Valdez: Cost \$501.73. Requesting \$501.73. ICC Allotment) **Proposal 270**
- Item 5.3 was approved without objection.
- 5.4** Approval for PCA Merchandise (Stickers) by Pathfinders Creative Agency (Club Vice President Romell McKenzie: Cost \$111.00. Requesting \$111.00. ICC Allotment) **Proposal 276**
- Item 5.4 was approved without objection.
- 5.5** Approval for PCA Adobe Teams Membership by Pathfinders Creative Agency (Club Vice President Romell McKenzie: Cost \$339.96. Requesting \$339.96. ICC Allotment) **Proposal 278**
- Motion to table item 5.5 until the next Finance committee meeting pending verification from the IT department on whether the college is able to provide students with Adobe Teams memberships by Director of Auxiliary David Dever. Seconded. Item was tabled without objection.
- 5.6** Approval for Halloween Decorating competition by Anthropology Club (Club Treasurer Heather Montoya: Cost \$125.00. Requesting \$125.00. ICC Allotment) **Proposal 277**
- Motion to amend item 5.6 to reduce the cost and requested amounts to \$75.00 by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was amended without objection.



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- Item 5.6 was approved as amended without objection.

VI. Major Action Items (equal or over \$1000):

- Motion to add item 6.4 to agenda due to proposal being sent back from Board of Directors meeting for further discussion by President Cecilia Jeong. Seconded. Item was added without objection.
- Motion to pull item 6.5 from the table due to proposal being sent back from Board of Directors meeting for further discussion by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was added without objection.
- 6.1** Approval for "18 1/2" Film Screening + Q&A w/ Director Dan Mirvish by The Film Club at SMC (Club Officer Betsie Garcia: Cost \$2,280.34. Requesting \$2,280.34. ICC Allotment/Activities) **Proposal 241**
 - Motion to amend item 6.1 to reduce the cost and requested amounts to \$1,533.76 by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was amended without objection.
 - Item 6.1 was approved as amended with a unanimous vote.
- 6.2** Approval for Fund for Equipment for A.S Meetings by the Associated Students (A.S. Director of Instruct. Support Subin Kang: Cost \$3,475.01. Requesting \$3,475.01. Office) **Proposal 274**
 - Item 6.2 was approved as amended with a unanimous vote.
- 6.3** Approval for Crossman Invitational at El Camino College by the Debate Club (Club President Ian Filali: Cost \$1,300.00. Requesting \$300.00. ICC Allotment. \$1,000.00. Activities) **Proposal 275**
 - Motion to strike item 6.3 due to proposal being made redundant by a full-year Debate Club funding proposal that was approved in the prior spring semester by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was struck without objection.
- 6.4** Approval for Florence, Italy Study Abroad by the Global Citizenship Committee (Dean Denise Kinsella: Cost \$84,243.00. Requesting \$20,784.00. Activities) **Proposal 250**
 - Motion to amend item 6.4 to reduce the requested amount to \$14,400 by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was amended with a majority vote.

A.S. Director of Budget Management David Duncan	A.S. President Cecilia Jeong	ICC Vice Chair Zach Makari
No	No	Yes
Director of Auxiliary David Dever	Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes	
Yes	Yes	

- Motion to call the question by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded.
- Item was approved as amended with a unanimous vote.



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- 6.5** Approval for 2023-2024 A.S. Sweatshirts for Directors and Admin by the Associated Students (A.S. President Cecilia Jeong: Cost: \$1,096.45. Requesting \$1,096.45. A.S. Directors) **Proposal 263**
- Item was approved with a majority vote.

A.S. Director of Budget Management David Duncan	A.S. President Cecilia Jeong	ICC Vice Chair Zach Makari
Abstain	Yes	Yes
Director of Auxiliary David Dever	Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes	
Yes	Yes	

VII. Discussion Items:

7.1 Drafting sustainability questions for funding proposal application (cont'd.)

- Director of Budget Management David Duncan gave a brief update on ongoing outreach to other colleges and universities to gather feedback on zero waste plans.

7.2 Surplus policy discussion (cont'd.)

- Director of Budget Management David Duncan and President Cecilia Jeong briefly discussed how to best direct the upcoming discussion of surplus policy values at the next board of directors meeting.

VIII. Other Action Item: none.

IX. Director and Committee Reports (2 minutes per speaker):

- President Cecilia Jeong discussed plans for the board to dress up as minions (from the Despicable Me franchise) for the upcoming Halloween holiday.
- ICC Vice Chair Zach Makari gave an update on the planning for the ICC's upcoming Club Row.
- Director Budget Management David Duncan gave a further update on the sustainability edits discussed in item 7.1 and asked the committee to prepare for an extended discussion of the topic at the next Finance Committee meeting.

X. Advisor Reports:

- Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes provided a report on upcoming HBCU activities on campus.

XI. Adjournment @ 12:56 PM

- Motion to adjourn by Director of Auxiliary David Dever. Seconded.