

**Associated Students of Santa Monica College**  
**A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting**  
**Monday, March 21, 2011 3:00 PM**  
**Cayton Center, Room #202**  
**MINUTES (1 of 2)**

**I. Call to Order 3:01PM**

**II. Roll Call**

AS President: Tiffany Inabu	P	Director of Student Services: Jennifer Alcaraz	P
AS Vice President: Chantelle Eastman	P	Director of Sustainability: Justine Rembac	A
AS Secretary: Priscilla Sulaeman	P	ICC Chair: Leo Leung	P
Director of Academic Support: Karissa Gonzalez	P	ICC Vice Chair: David Stavis	P
Director of Activities: Vacant		ICC Secretary: Sushma Chahal	P
Director of Budget Management: Vince Slevin	P	Student Trustee: Michael Song	A
Director of Instructional Support: Marco Vivero	P	Associate Dean of Student Life: Deyna Hearn	P
Director of Financial Support: Kevin Kurtzman	P	Counselor/Student Advisor: Benny Blaydes	P
Director of Student Outreach: Mustafa Eck	P	Faculty Senate Liaison: Professor Jo Kidd	P
Director of Publicity: Tobias Deml	P		

**III. Approval of the Agenda**

- 3.1 Agenda approved unanimously.  
**Motion by Chantelle, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jennifer.**  
Approved with 1 correction

**IV. Approval of Minutes for March 16, 2011**

- 4.1 Minutes approved unanimously.  
Approved with 3 corrections

**V. Public Comments (2 minutes per person)**

**VI. Guest Speaker**

- 6.1 Dr Tsang—update on budget situation  
Move to table till guest speaker arrived. **Motion by Chantelle, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jennifer.** Approved unanimously  
Move to bring it back to the table. **Motion by Chantelle, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vince.** Approved unanimously.  
Talked to many AS directors but clubs and other organizations might still have questions. The budget cut will affect the college greatly. Was in Sacramento on Friday talking about the budget. The legislators have passed the budget proposal to cut funding by \$400 million next year and the impact will be a raise in fees from \$26 to \$36. We know at least next year that students need to pay at least \$36 per unit. Have \$400 million in cuts to community colleges. The reduction only gets us half way there. To balance the budget they need to increase taxes or extension of the tax increase. On the tax extension, it has not been passed. There is a \$26 billion budget deficit. Proposal to cut expenditure by half, and raise taxes to cover the other half. The packet will be put on the June ballot and require a majority of the voters to vote. But now we are not sure if we can even vote because there are not enough legislators supporting it. The impact will be a \$15 million cut for SMC, more than 10% of budget and with the deficit we are running right now will result in \$20 million on our budget. SMC is trying to do everything to minimize the impact but the state is running out of money. Already talked to the AS president that some activities are not going to happen. UCLA doing huge reductions, mostly in the lower division classes.

**VII. Information Items**

- 7.1 Advisors' and Academic Senate Liaison Reports
- Associate Dean of Student Life Deyna Hearn—Visitors need to sign in and leave picture ID at the front desk and exit from the front door. Visitors should be with the directors only and not commissioners. Commissioners need to wear their name tag. Please eat in the den and not other places. It is time to spring clean your table and keep it tidy. No campaigning or campaign meeting in AS Office or den and cannot use anything from the AS office supplies. Leo did amazing job on ICC retreat.
  - Counselor/Student Advisor Benny Blaydes—Time for second contact, for general assembly we leave next Friday. Congrats to Leo for an excellent job for organizing the ICC Retreat. Town hall meeting in Theater Arts Building at 3PM on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- 7.2 Academic Senate Liaison Professor Jo Kidd—on 3/26 there will be a Latino Youth conference and the A.S is invited to set up a table. There will be a tournament this weekend with the best player from Iran against SMC's best player. Thanks AGS their help on the professional development flex day.
- 7.3 Directors' Reports (2 minutes per person)

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Priscilla—have passed around paper for directors to write their director report to minimize changes in the minutes. Directors are only allowed a maximum of 4 absentees for the academic year and I have an updated version of the absentees if they are interested.

Mustafa—want start a new program for students that want to volunteer.

Tobias—Meeting tomorrow to maintain the AS website will work with Dean Hearn and Amelia, going to help Kevin with Hands Across California. Plans to make an AS image film and the event board. Will continue to work closely with the Corsair and is available if candidate needs help with publicity.

Kevin—Meeting with Barbara Ige tomorrow at 11:30AM regarding Hands Across California. Open invitation to anyone interested.

Leo—ICC retreat—thanks to all that help out in the ICC retreat and will give out \$740 in total for the incentive to clubs

Chantelle—anyone who has information on Hand Across California, please tell me so I can take it to the next Region VII meeting at the General Assembly

Tiffany—Congratulations to Leo on a successful ICC retreat. Professional development Flex Day was on Thursday and I gave speech on behalf of the A.S. to the faculty that was present at the Flex Day. There was a miscommunication that a non-SMC student would be representing SMC for Hands Across California, it has been clarified that the student is not representing SMC for Hands Across California. Campaigning is not allowed in the A.S office or Cayton Center. You cannot work on any campaign materials in the A.S office.

**7.4 Committee Reports (2 minutes per person)**

Leo—election—first draft of the official flyer is ready and will be provided to the candidate. Total of 30 candidates running.

Chantelle—constitution committee—have a special meeting on Thursday at 3:30PM, need director to sit on it. Will also be making a director's report at the ICC meeting to recruit Joint Council members so we can approve the addition of director's responsibilities in the By-Laws.

Tiffany—Selection committee—have selected the Director of Activities.

**VIII. Consent Items**

- 8.1** Approval of funding for **Rotaract Club** for a new display case exhibit. This covers the cost of photo development, a broom, and poster board. (Bao Nguyen; ICC: \$50 pending quotes for photo development).

**Motion by Chantelle, 2<sup>nd</sup> Karissa.** Approved, 10-0-1 (Aye-Nay-Abstained)

- 8.2** Approval of funding for **Associated Students** and **Health Services** for the 2011 Health Fair on Thursday, March 31, 2011. This covers the cost of 44 lunches for the fair exhibitors. (Jennifer Alcaraz; Activities: \$489).

**Motion by Chantelle, 2<sup>nd</sup> Karissa.** Approved, 10-0-1 (Aye-Nay-Abstained)

**IX. Action Items**

- 9.1** Approval of funding for **Iranian Students Club** and **Associated Students** for a Persian New Year celebration on Thursday, April 7, 2011. This covers the cost of food, drinks, a Haftsin table, and cookies. (Arash Javidi; ICC: \$800, Activities: \$2952). **Motion by Vince, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jennifer.** Approved, 10-0-1 (Aye-Nay-Abstained)

- 9.2** Approval of funding for **Admissions Department** to purchase 500 SMC medallions for the 2011 graduation ceremony. (Kiersten Elliot; Student Success: \$2834). **Motion by Chantelle, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jennifer.** Approved unanimously

- 9.3** Approval of funding for **Alpha Gamma Sigma** to attend the State AGS Convention in Ontario, California from Friday April 1 to Sunday, April 3, 2011. This covers the partial cost of convention registration fees, hotel accommodations for 20 students and 2 advisors, recognition gifts for fourteen workshop presenters, and convention t-shirts for hosts. (Terry Green; ICC: \$905, Special Projects: \$3160).

**Motion by Jennifer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Karissa.** Approved unanimously.

- 9.4** Approval of funding for **Associated Students** to purchase 600 AMC movie tickets to sell to A.S. members. (Tiffany Inabu; Discount Tickets: \$3615). **Motion by Chantelle, 2<sup>nd</sup> Priscilla.** Approved unanimously

**X. Major Action Items**

- 10.1** Confirmation of Director of Activities

**Motion by Priscilla, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jennifer.** Approved unanimously.

- 10.2** Commissioner's Application Packet—changes in commissioner's description.

**Motion by Chantelle 2<sup>nd</sup> Jennifer.**

Move to postpone it until further notice. **Motion by Leo, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jennifer.** Approved unanimously

**XI. Adjournment 4:25PM**

**Motion by Vince, 2<sup>nd</sup> Karissa**

Approved unanimously