

Associated Students of Santa Monica College
A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting
Monday, October 10, 2011 3:00 PM
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I. Call to Order 3:04 PM

II. Roll Call

AS President: Harrison Wills P	Director of Student Services: Hua Diao P
AS Vice President: Jasmine Delgado P	Director of Sustainability: Marjohnny Torres-Nativi L 3:20 PM
AS Secretary: Brenda Villafana P	ICC Chair: David Stavis P
Director of Academic Support: William Sun P	ICC Vice Chair: Luis Gomez P
Director of Activities: Leslie Estrada P	ICC Secretary: Karin Chan P
Director of Budget Management: Yian Chen P	Student Trustee: Joshua Scuteri A
Director of Instructional Support: Marco Vivero P	Dean of Student Life: Deyna Hearn P
Director of Financial Support: Jessica Chuan A	Counselor/Student Advisor: Benny Blaydes P
Director of Student Outreach: Cameron Espinoza P	Faculty Senate Liaison: Eric Oifer P
Director of Publicity: DJ Davids P	

III. Approval of Agenda

* Motion Yian Chen, 2nd Luis Gomez
Motion Passed

IV. Approval of Minutes for Monday, October 3, 2011

* Motion Yian Chen, 2nd William Sun
Motion Passed

V. Public Comments (2 Minutes per person)

Professor Joe Kidd

Chancellor's Student Success Task Force first draft. On the agenda for the next academic senate meeting October 18th.

Kinesiology meeting 11 AM October 18th.

SMC Faculty Association and District staff contract just ratified.

VI. Information Items

6.1 Advisors' and Academic Senate Liaison Reports

Dean of Student Life Deyna Hearn

1. Visual of semester calendar of how long we have for any potential events.

Counselor/Student Advisor Benny Blaydes

1. Second contact: Can do with another counselor, pick up forms. Do before November 10th.

2. Application workshops going on, new information being given.

3. College Fair Tuesday October 11, 2011.

Academic Senate Liaison Eric Oifer

No report.

6.2 Director's Reports (2 minutes per person)

Luis Gomez: 1. The ICC meeting last Thursday was a great meeting. ICC meetings will now be held in HSS 263.

2. Club Row packets due this Wednesday. Holding a workshop on how to fill them out, led by Benny and Luis.

Brenda Villafana: Proud to say AB 131 has passed. I am currently working on getting information about AB 131 together for students to give out at the Resource Fair. I am also working on possibly getting Gilbert Cedillo to talk to students on the SMC campus.

Yian Chen: Actual revenue for Fall 2011 is higher than what we budgeted, which is good news. The official budget review with the board will be in two weeks.

Hua Diao: 1. Resource Fair October 20th. Need volunteers. Will be promoting resources available through departments and centers on campus.

2. This Wednesday shooting first commercial for Powered Relationships, 5-7pm.

3. Green festival October 28-29, environmental event, see Diao for volunteering opportunities.

Marco Vivero: SI sessions for Math 31, 81, 84, 18, 20, and 54. Fliers are available in front of the AS Office.

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6.3 Committee Reports (2 minutes per committee)

David: Convening ICC Constitution Committee this Thursday, rectifying faults. The ICC is creating informal survey committee to get more info about current state of ICC. Approach ICC for any possible additions.

Marco Vivero: The Global Citizenship Committee will be meeting October 13th in BUS 133.

Hua Diao: Transportation subcommittee, DPAC, Tuesday 3-4pm meeting 3 times per month. Topics include parking lot, Big Blue Bus, and Zim Ride.

Luis Gomez: Bicycle planning committee, this Thursday in conference room, 5:30-6:30 PM.

VII. Consent Items

7.1 Approval of funding for Chabad for Sukkot Party on October 18, 2011. This includes 30 large pizzas and 20 bottles of assorted drinks. (Nikky, ICC: \$375.00)

7.2 Approval of funding for Associated Students for an annual membership with the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce. This includes annual membership fee. (A.S. President, Harrison Wills. Conferences/Membership: \$325.00)

7.3 Approval of funding for Kapisanang Pilipino for Friendship Game field trip on October 22, 2011 at Cal State Fullerton. This includes registration fee and late fees. (Dana, ICC: \$450.00)

* **Motion made by Yian Chen, 2nd William Sun**
Motion to pull item 7.1 Made by David Stavis

Discussion: Two proposals were submitted at same time by Chabad but one was not submitted correctly so it was denied. The rejected proposal consisted of a series of lectures open to public. They are inviting all students and want to have a reception area along with a meet and greet. This event would contribute to the student life on campus.

Benny: Did they have anymore ICC money in their allotment?

Yian: They are planning to use \$750 for another proposal, but in the proposal for the Sukkot Party, we changed it to have them use their ICC Account.

David Stavis: If they were to join up with another club could have additional dollars.

Dean Hearn: If an activity is out on the quad, usually sponsored by Associated Students. The Activity Director could allow them to get funds from the Activity line item.

**7.1 funds will be taken from their ICC Allotment*

* **Consent item 7.1 approved**
Consent items 7.2 and 7.3 approved

VIII. Action Items

8.1 Approval of clubs to use up to 25% of ICC Allotment for Fall 2011 Club Row.

* **Motion made by Yian Chen, 2nd William Sun**

Discussion:

Harrison: Promotes student involvement and creativity. Test pilot for club row and see how it works.

Dean Hearn: Motion needs to be more specific, and needs to be worked on.

Harrison: 25% would go into special account, could use it in any way they chose to for Club Row. The club advisor is responsible for what they are selling along with getting box from George Prather.

Johnny: Committee was supposed to be convened to work on this.

Harrison: No committee was convened but we can discuss it now.

Yian: If it goes straight into account, would the \$175 go straight into the special account?

Harrison: Give back what they get, keep what they fundraised.

Benny: At least four schools are already doing this for fundraising, in most cases it goes into their special account.

Luis: A committee is important for rest of semester, but Club Row is happening very soon and a decision for this event needs to be made. Later we could have it so that clubs can only use the allotment for AS on campus events.

Johnny: Clubs currently give stuff away for free. Will that change?

Luis: Clubs won't necessarily sell things because of this new policy. They will give things away at their discretion.

Johnny: We don't just represent clubs, we also represent students. This would benefit a minority out of the total population. Not everyone who buys an A.S. sticker is in a club. Students buying items clubs bought through their allotment is just spending the same money all over again when they already bought AS sticker.

Harrison: This would be one more incentive to start and join a club. If it does not work we can learn from it.

Leslie: ICC dollars can roll over from fall to spring right?

Luis: Clubs need to be reinstated every semester, money rolls over from Fall to Spring.

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Yian: Are we responsible then for clubs who will lose money?

William: Doesn't make clear that it is only for fundraising on campus. If using ICC allotment we need to discuss again the fundraising on campus. Needs to be for publicity and for helping others on campus.

Luis: I agree the motion needs to be more specific, such as for fundraising. Finance committee can suspend the rules. Johnny's point is one way to look at it. Clubs are not businesses nor are they run for profit. All they would generate is for helping their clubs as dictated by rules. They won't misappropriate funds. They are doing a public service.

Harrison: We always have choice whether we want to buy what they are selling or not.

Johnny: Been in clubs, at events. Don't feel all clubs need to fundraise, if need money for something they should come to the A.S.

Pros (P) and Cons (C):

Jonny (C): I don't know exact the process, but A.S. money will now go to clubs to sell back to students. This action needs student votes. If they want it, I want it.

Leslie (P): I feel like 25% is a good amount to start off with, it also depends on how many clubs are interested in it, and it's only for Club Row, so might as well approve it. I would like to see how many clubs are interested, perhaps have a progress report.

William (C): For ICC Allotment, think of its purpose as promotion. Money earned goes to special account. Not fair to have double money, we need to make it clearer.

Diao (P): Love this idea, if they have more money can attract more people. AGS has a Special Account, more money to hold more events and do more things.

Yian (C): Small clubs, use ICC Allotment. Larger clubs should use Special Account. If earning money always a positive income. Why didn't they already put this money together if they expected to fundraise?

Luis (P): If we can't come to a conclusion for this now how will we approve this in the future? This is just one event, one test run. We are trying to get clubs to grow, especially the small ones. We are students; we don't have a lot of money. Why can't we be like other campuses that do this already?

* **Motion to amend** "Approval of clubs to use up to 25% of ICC Allotment for fundraising at Fall 2011 Club Row **for fundraising, all revenues exceeding amount allotted will go to their special account.** "
Made by Luis Gomez

Motion Passed (11 to 0)

* **Motion to Approve amended 8.1**
Motion Passed (8 to 3)

8.2 Approval of endorsement of Occupy LA.

* **Motion made by Yian Chen, 2nd William Sun**

Joshua: In cooperation with Occupy NY, closing gap between rich and poor.

Cameron: Healthcare, jobs, unchecked consumption by corporations. NY is more about Wall Street?

Joshua: Demands are diverse, want to reinstall Glass Steagal act to regulate market.

David: As A.S., up to us to offer more opportunity for SMC students. If it helps students, we need to identify how and then vote on it.

Joshua: I agree wholeheartedly, it is something we can sink our teeth into. I would like to start a local chapter of Common Ground.

Dean Hearn: Could we organize a student forum for more students to participate?

Harrison: We will be engaging students on this issue this week.

Leslie: As far as endorsing, we must think of what they are demanding and how it relates to us as students. Such as making sure student loan corporations won't keep increasing interests on loans.

Luis: I was there on Saturday, and I noticed they have an open process. The concern is that they don't have a set platform of grievances. Agree with the movement in that we need to be more active and voice our opinions.

* **Motion to Call to Question made by David Stavis**
Motion Passed

* **Original Motion Approved (7 to 3)**

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IX. Major Action Items

9.1 Approval of funding for Associated Students for Club Row Fall 2011 on October 27, 2011. This includes rental of tents, tables, canopies, chair, stage, generator, monetary rewards, hairnets, water, soap, gloves, 3 banners, Halloween prop rental, and spider webs decoration. (ICC Vice Chair, Luis Gomez. ICC: \$6,690.00).

* **Motion made by Yian Chen, 2nd William Sun**

Luis Gomez: Every semester we have Club Row, one of the most notable events on campus. Might be a slight change, 54 clubs installed currently a lot of activity expected. Tables (95) and canopies (27). Each canopy has two tables, one table for those without canopies. Currently have a surplus of 15 tables, need extra tables just in case. I'm asking to add \$200 to the proposal to obtain those extra tables.

* **Motion to amend language:** "Approval of funding for Associated Students for Club Row Fall 2011 on October 27, 2011. This includes rental of tents, tables, canopies, chair, stage, generator, monetary rewards, hairnets, water, soap, gloves, 3 banners, Halloween prop rental, and spider webs decoration. (ICC Vice Chair, Luis Gomez. ICC: \$6,890.00)."

Made by Marco Vivero, 2nd David Stavis

Motion Passed

* **Amended Motion Passed**

9.2 Approval of funding for Associated Students for reusable bottles. This includes 500 stainless steel bottles, impression charge, and screen charge. (Director of Sustainability, Marjohnny Torres-Nativi, Special Projects: \$1,885.00)

* **Motion made by Yian Chen, 2nd William Sun**

Motion Passed

Johnny: For directors, commissioners, club officers, and board of trustees. 40-60 left over for activities. I would like to have them find out their eco footprint then give them a bottle.

9.3 Approval of funding for Associated Students for discounts movie tickets during Fall 2011, Winter 2012, and Spring 2012. (A.S. President, Harrison Wills. Discount Tickets: not to exceed \$10,000).

* **Motion made by Yian Chen, 2nd William Sun**

Motion Passed

9.4 Approval of funding for Phi Theta Kappa for Phi Theta Kappa regional conference Fall 2011 from October 14 to 16, 2011. This includes conference registration fees, hotel rooms, and airfare round-trip tickets for 4 directors and 1 advisor. (Dominic, Student Success: \$1,600, ICC allotment: \$300.00, ICC special account: \$1,300. Total: \$3,200).

* **Motion made by Yian Chen, 2nd Brenda Villafana**

* **Motion to call to question made by Marco Vivero, 2nd Cameron**

Motion Passed

* **9.4 Passed**

**It was decided that \$500 for breakfast will be taken from special account*

9.5 Approval of funding for Alpha Gamma Sigma Honor Society for event on campus promoting interpersonal relations between clubs. This includes pizzas, chips, salsa, sodas, and money prizes for three clubs from ICC Innovation Grant. (Howard, ICC Innovation Grant: \$1,000.00)

* **Motion Made By Yian Chen, 2nd Brenda Villafana**

Howard: Collaborative event, 8 clubs involved. Hopefully make it a campus wide event, healthy competition. Would be a fundraiser event, winners use that money for own decisions. 7 advisors on board with this event. When: Saturday October 22nd, 11am-3pm

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♣ **Motion to Amend Language to** “Approval of funding for Alpha Gamma Sigma Honor Society for event on campus **on Saturday October 22nd, 11am-3pm** promoting interpersonal relations between clubs. This includes pizzas, chips, salsa, sodas, and money prizes for three clubs from ICC Innovation Grant. (Howard, ICC Innovation Grant: \$1,000.00)”

Made by Yian Chen, 2nd William Sun

Motion Passed

♣ **Amended 9.5 Passed**

9.6 Approval of funding for Associated Students for SSCCC General Assembly Conference Fall 2011 on November 4th to 6th, 2011. This includes registration fees, hotel rooms, airfare, van rental, meals, and parking at LAX for 5 directors and 1 advisor. (Benny, Conferences/Memberships: \$6,200.00).

Motion Made by Yian Chen, 2nd Luis Gomez

Motion Passed

X. Discussion

10.1 Purchasing textbooks for library reserve. (Discussion Led by: Marco Vivero)

Mona Martin: Marco came and proposed giving funding to get books on reserve, which check out twice as much as other books in library. Library doesn't purchase books for the reserve collection, that collection is a result of teachers donating them. Additional funding would be added to that enlarge that collection. 1800 books currently on reserve. Average is \$100-125 for each textbook. If we received funding we would work with academic affairs to know which classes most popular and Bookstore Manager to buy correct books. Don't have number of which classes don't have books on reserve, possibly a large number.

Harrison: Possibly split costs with the District? What do you think about that idea?

Marco: This problem was presented to me by a student; we need resolve it and then bring it to the District. It is something they need to be involved in.

Mona: Editions change only by publisher's choice. Bookstore can no longer get that old edition, need to get new one.

Harrison: Are eBooks available?

Mona: Some are. Library has 18,000 ebooks, not textbooks. But publishers sell those and most are password protected.

Marco: Give an allotted amount per semester, maybe four books per semester. Depends on what were are comfortable with as a board.

Mona: Publishers used to be more liberal with free copies, but now they are stingier. Free copies are very scarce.

Johnny: What about teachers who publish their own books?

Mona: Usually give us book.

Johnny: Need to have a policy that all classes should have at least one copy for each class.

Mona: Idealistic but not feasible. One of the difficulties is getting a copy for each class, math always has at least one copy for each section. Difficulty comes from teachers using different textbooks for same section.

Harrison: Do you have a list compiled of those books most essential?

Mona: Have list of courses with highest enrollment can obtain rest of information.

Harrison: Would these books be for all students or could it be for just all A.S. students?

Mona: Can't limit who checks it out.

Marco: A.S. can have recognition.

Harrison: Need to promote it somehow.

Mona: A.S. has done this in the past, opened up a purchase order with bookstore.

Harrison: Did the district split the costs?

Mona: Sometimes yes but sometimes just through A.S.

Harrison: Was it a great impact to students?

Mona: Yes. Currently students come up and sometimes get turned away.

Marco: Average book price is \$125 and \$5000 will buy 40 books. Something we want to continue and could have a straw vote to determine the general consensus among the Board.

Harrison: District's job to fund schools properly, great idea to fund books but need to be mindful of the budget.

Johnny: Need to get books for all classes, even if it costs \$100-200,000.

David: Most we could spend on books would be \$20-30,000 maximum.

Harrison: Should involve district, could match us. Maybe in future we can talk about putting a line item for

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this. \$10,000 a year could work

David: Implementing programs that can grow on their own are good programs. Maybe we could do a book share to decrease the cost of a book per semester. Perhaps we are thinking about books the wrong way.

Marco: Only a few more weeks for this to help students. Can we get a straw vote to see if \$10,000 a year is good? (Straw vote says Board agrees).

10.2 Double-sided printing policy in AS Office. (Discussion Led by: Harrison Wills)

* **Motion to postpone for next week made by Yian Chen, 2nd William Sun**
Motion Passed

10.3 Shirts and sweaters for A.S. Board of Directors. (Discussion Led by: Leslie Estrada)

Leslie: Through the votes long sleeve button downs and v-neck sweaters won. I contacted the company and they have these items in stock. We have to choose colors next, which will be chosen the same way as before by posting them on the white board.

XI. Adjournment 5:32 PM

* **Motion Made By Yian Chen, 2nd William Sun**
Motion Passed