

**Associated Students of Santa Monica College  
A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting  
Monday, April 2, 2012 3:00 PM  
Cayton Center, Room #202  
MINUTES**

**I. Call to Order 3:02 PM**

**II. Roll Call**

AS President: Harrison Wills <b>P</b>	Director of Student Services: Hua Diao <b>P</b>
AS Vice President: Jasmine Delgado <b>P</b>	Director of Sustainability: Marjohnny Torres-Nativi <b>L 3:04</b>
AS Secretary: Brenda Villafana <b>P</b>	ICC Chair: David Stavis <b>P</b>
Director of Academic Support: William Sun <b>A</b>	ICC Vice Chair: Jasmine Jafari <b>P</b>
Director of Activities: Leslie Estrada <b>P</b>	ICC Secretary: Karin Chan <b>A</b>
Director of Budget Management: Yian Chen <b>A</b>	Student Trustee: Joshua Scuteri <b>P</b>
Director of Instructional Support: Marco Vivero <b>P</b>	Dean of Student Life: Deyna Hearn <b>P</b>
Director of Financial Support: Jessica Chuan <b>P</b>	Counselor/Student Advisor: Benny Blaydes <b>P</b>
Director of Student Outreach: Cameron Espinoza <b>P</b>	Faculty Senate Liaison: Eric Oifer <b>P</b>
Director of Publicity: DJ Davids <b>L 3:35 PM</b>	

**III. Approval of Agenda**

- **Motion Made by Jasmine, Seconded**
- **Motion to Call Joint Council before Spring Break, Wednesday April 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM in Action Items as 9.3 Made by Jasmine D., Seconded**  
**Motion Approved**
- **Agenda Approved**

**IV. Approval of Minutes for Monday, March 26, 2012**

- **Motion Made by Brenda, Seconded**
- **Motion Approved**

**V. Public Comments (2 Minutes Per Person)**

**Luis Gomez and Chris Gutierrez**

Democracy School, having the Board support SMC's involvement following its unanimous endorsement of the Sustainability Bill of Rights. Allows students to learn about leadership and hone their skills. Event to take place April 20<sup>th</sup>.

**VII. Guest Speakers**

**7.1 Michael Tuitasi, Teresita Rodriguez, Susan Aminoff, David Finkel**

- **Contract Education**

**Summary:** Avenues include, doing nothing, which would not allow students to meet academic requirements in a timely way. Accreditation process of courses are contracted by SMC, accreditation belongs to college. Will receive regular college credit for contract education classes and will appear on SMC transcript. Process formed in last few weeks by SM Transfer and Career Alliance. The elected Board of Trustees is responsible for the program and the classes will be taught by SMC professors. Program will be fine-tuned indefinitely, abandoned or revised on an as needed basis. If SMC has money for classes won't need it, if they don't have money from state will use this method. Chancellor over sight, no legal authority to tell us to not use contract education. The Board of Trustees has the position that they have the legal right to do it. Nothing in education code against it. Other options explored, spirit of community college must be fulfilled. Students who take these courses will pay for them. Current two tier system is those who can get classes and those who cannot get classes. Contracted through a foundation. "Makes additional courses that are optional". Inequities exist if nothing is done. Do not believe that students benefit from dropping out and using for profits. No uniformity in which institutions are handling this. It is clear from the Trustees that this decision wasn't made democratically, avoided question of what other options were explored.

**VI. Information Items**

**6.1 Advisors' and Academic Senate Liaison Reports**

- **Dean of Student Life Deyna Hearn (Postponed)**

- Counselor/Student Advisor Benny Blaydes (Postponed)
- Academic Senate Liaison Eric Oifer

### **6.2 Director's Reports (2 Minutes Per Person)**

**Jasmine D.:** Volunteer fair April 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all that attended the retreat. Recommend that Director of Publicity resign due to lack of response, lack of fulfilling duties. Would be conducive and more productive for Board if this is done. Willing to move forward with impeachment processes.

**David:** Joint Council on Wednesday. Echo VP recommendation for the Director of Publicity to resign in order to avoid additional proceedings such as impeachment.

**Jasmine:** 44 out of 48 clubs have filled in packets Club Row. See similar instances where Director of Publicity not fulfilling duties.

**Jessica:** Student worker committee, talked to Steven Mirrow, trying to combat budget cuts. Looking for creative solutions to monetary or other forms. I also recommend the Director of Publicity to resign.

**Cameron:** Movie night on Thursday called College Inc. free pizza and drinks. Constitution Committee working very hard, thank you Jasmine for working so hard. Also recommend DJ to resign and willing to go through impeachment processes.

**Harrison:** NPR was here on campus, SMC on front page of New York Times. Agree with those that DJ needs to resign and will be willing to move on with the impeachment processes.

**Brenda:** Thank you to Marco for posting the agenda, this week I will handle it and carry on as normal. I recently learned the concerns of the Board about the Director of Publicity and it is very troubling to me. Especially so if it affects clubs, their events, elections etc. I recommend proper action to be taken whether it is resignation, impeachment, or another proper action.

**DJ:** Addressing the concerns of the Board, unclear why everyone is so unfamiliar with the processes of how to get things advertised. I have made it as simple as possible and state each week during my Director's Report how to do so. I would like to see some proof that I'm not being responsive.

**Diao:** Health Fair was last week. Job Fair coming up and proposal will come up to Board next week. I've heard the recommendations of the Board, but in my perspective DJ gives his reports about how to publicize. Everyone please consider that and that we need to work towards working together.

**Leslie:** Best Voice continuing tomorrow on the Quad beginning at 11:15 AM. I agree with Jasmine's statement and agree that DJ has not addressed his responsibilities as stated in the Constitution and By-Laws. I ask DJ to step up and resign with dignity and if not willing to do so I am willing to move on with Impeachment proceedings.

**Marjohnny:** Students that went to Chico last semester will come make a presentation. Taking 12 students, 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>. Let me know about any possible advisors that can come, this will help us bring more students.

**Joshua:** Contract Ed, info item during Board of Trustees. Don't believe doing nothing is doing nothing. Tomorrow big night, come along, help me challenge this decision.

### **6.3 Committee Reports (2 Minutes Per Committee) (Postponed due to time constraints)**

## **VIII. Consent Items**

**8.1** Approval of funding for **Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance** to hold "Feminist Pride Day" on Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012. This includes 4 poster photos, 3 poster boards, a packet of cover stock and poster boards. (Heidi, ICC Allotment: \$77.73).

**8.2** Approval of funding for **UNICEF** to attend "Club Row" on Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012. This includes 8 pizzas. (Julio, ICC Allotment: \$104.46).

**8.3** Approval of funding for **SMC Republicans** to provide beverages during "Get to Know Your Candidates" meeting on Tuesday, April 3<sup>th</sup>, 2012. This includes soda. (Michael, ICC Allotment: \$25.00).

**8.4** Approval of funding for **Associated Students** to provide lunch for "Associated Students Volunteer Fair" on Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012. This includes 7 pizzas. (Jasmine, Special Projects: \$100.00).

- **Motion to Approve 8.1-8.3 Made by Brenda, Seconded Motion Approved**
- **Motion to pull 8.4 Made by Jasmine D.**
- **Motion to Amend 8.4 "Approval of funding for Associated Students to provide lunch for "Associated Students Volunteer Fair" on Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012. This includes 7 pizzas and drinks. (Jasmine, Special Projects: \$110.00). Made by Jasmine Delgado, Seconded Amendment Approved**

- **8.4 Approved**

**IX. Action Items**

**9.1** Cancel end-of-the-year A.S. Banquet.

- **Motion to Approve Made by Cameron, Seconded**
- **Motion to Call to Question Made by Jasmine D., Seconded**  
**Motion Approved**
- **9.1 Approved**

**9.2** Endorse the “Move to Amend” resolution.

- **Motion to Approve Made by Cameron, Seconded**  
**Motion Approved**

**9.3** Approving Joint Council for April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

- **Motion Made by Jasmine, Seconded**  
**Motion Approved**

**X. Major Action Items**

**10.1** Approval of funding for **Associated Students** to increase \$10,000 for the budget of “New Tech/Student Success.”

- **Motion Made by Brenda, Seconded**  
**Motion Approved**

**10.2** Approval of funding for **Associated Students** to increase \$10,000 for “Special Projects” by decreasing from “Contingency.”

- **Motion Made by Cameron, Seconded**  
**Motion Approved**

**10.3** Approval of funding for **Santa Monica College Psychology Club** to attend The Western Psychological Association Convention on April 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012 in San Francisco. This includes GTS charter, 6 hotel rooms and conference tickets for 16 students, 1 advisor. (Narhyn, ICC Allotment: \$1,012.50; Student Success: \$1,954.44).

- **Motion Made by Cameron, Seconded**  
**Motion Approved**

**XI. Discussion**

**11.1** Alternatives to A.S. Banquet. (A.S. Director of Student Outreach)

**Summary:** Cameron and Jasmine suggest that we save A.S. students funding by having a pot luck. Harrison agrees and recommends that we find a local restaurant to sponsor the event.

**\*Ad-Hoc Committee formed called A.S Banquet Alternative and Jessica Chuan is the Chair**

**11.2** Student concerns with the privatization of public education. (A.S. President)

**Summary:** Harrison Wills addresses the concerns of privatization of Santa Monica College and public education in California. SMC administration moves away from publicly funded education by creating a two-tier contract education where students will not have access to the board of governor’s fee waiver.

**\*Ad-Hoc Committee is formed called Privatization of Public education and Harrison Wills is the Chair**

**XII. Adjournment 5:30 PM**