

Associated Students of Santa Monica College
A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting
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I. Call to Order 3:15PM

II. Roll Call

AS President: Parker Jean P	Director of Student Advocacy: Yacob Zuriaw P
AS Vice President: Jemal Hussein P	Director of Publicity: Jesse Ramirez P
AS Secretary: Samantha Ross P	Director of Outreach: Mohammad Rahman P
Director of Student Services: Chioma Ojini L3:17	ICC Chair: Spin Versele P
Director of Sustainability: Steven Johnson P	ICC Vice Chair: Erin Kaitel P (Maya Kaitel)
Director of AcSupp/S.G.: Jon Kent Ethridge II P	ICC Communications Officer: Caitlin Thompson P
Director of Activities: Angie Vo P	Student Trustee: Michelle Olivarez A
Director of Inst. & Tech. Support: Faheem Ali A	Dean of Student Life: Deyna Hearn P
Director of Budget Management: Cécile Parcelier P	Counselor/Student Advisor: Benny Blaydes P

III. Public Comments (2 minutes per person)

Helen Porter—(AS Website)—Working with Jesse and the Publicity committee on the new AS Website. The new layout has been launched. I'm here to answer any questions, comments, and concerns.

Yacob: Who is able to update the website?

Helen: As far as I know, it's the Student Life office.

Dean Hearn: I think it will be two directors and . Calendar may fall under the Activities director and the Agenda and Minutes under the Secretary.

Helen: One thing about the homepage is that it doesn't require much of updating.

Parker: It's our responsibility and we have the power to keep updating it.

Jemal: We'll discuss it tomorrow

Helen: I'm willing to train anyone who will keep it up.

Parker: Thank you, Helen for all your hard work. Special shout out to the Publicity Committee.

Alexandro Martinez—(Special Consideration to EcoAction Proposal)—Good afternoon, Board of Directors. I'm here to ask that you give a special consideration to our proposal. We would like to teach our members how to can food. We've been focusing a lot of our attention to teaching the community sustainable practices. We wanted to work on this, but it never materialized.

Cecile: He's asking if he can add it directly to the Board meeting. It will be on Finance this week.

Parker: We'll make a motion on the approval of the agenda (to add it).

Jimena Henriquez—(ECEPD)—Amend the amount of the financial proposal of the Spring event. We were hoping we could use some of the \$200 added to the proposal to buy additional supplies from our proposal. (On agenda today, item 6.6). We need \$129.64 more. We just need to amend the price.

Dhaval Bhatt—(Parking Solution)—*passed out forms* The website is MyParkingBuddy.com that allows students to share parking spots. It's NOT ridesharing, carpooling, or permit sharing. The idea is to help people get a parking spot. Security: I only let students with college e-mails sign up for the website. No outsider/intruder/criminal. I let users select buddy preference. Female buddies can choose to only have female buddies, or anyone. Many benefits: saves time and stress, creates networking, maximizes value, maximizes profits, establishes order and efficiency, and lowers pollution.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve by Sam, Second

Motion to add Consent Action Item 6.7 "Approval of funding for Eco Action Club to purchase a candy mixer. This includes mason jars, sugar, strawberries, red raspberries, and fruit. (Alexandro, ICC

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Allotment: \$122.16)” by Cecile, *Second*

Motion to amend the price on Consent Action Item 6.6 “Approval of funding for ECEPD for club children’s spring event on May 25th at Clocktower. This includes water paint, materials for puppet making and science, crayons, and paint brushes. (Nickasha, ICC Allotment: \$329.64)”

by Spin, Second

Amended agenda approved unanimously.

V. Approval of Minutes for May 6, 2013

Motion to approve by Sam, Second

Agenda approved unanimously.

VI. Consent Action Items (Less than \$1,000)

Motion to approve by Sam, Second

- 6.1. Approval of funding for **Black Collegians Program** for funding for the Black Collegians Banquet Ceremony on June 1st. This includes awards/trophy costs, 1800 flowers, party city and shindigz. (Courtney, ICC Allotment 484.00).
 - 6.2. Approval of funding for **SMC Rotaract Club** for funding request. This includes 8 gift cards and certificates for members who volunteered the most hours. (Kelly, ICC Allotment: \$88.00).
 - 6.3. Approval of funding for **SMC Rotaract Club** for funding for a banquet on May 31st. This includes food for 20 attendees and 18% gratuity at Bucca de Peppo. (Kelly, ICC Allotment: \$250.00).
 - 6.4. Approval of funding for **SMC Robotics Club** for funding robot parts. This includes robot parts. (Steven, ICC Allotment: \$486.03).
 - 6.5. Approval of funding for **SMC Classified School Employees Week Committee** for CSEW appreciation Luncheon on May 24th at the SMC quad. This includes band cost. (Vinnessa, Special project: \$500.00).
 - 6.6. Approval of funding for **ECEPD** for club children’s spring event on May 25th at Clocktower. This includes water paint, materials for puppet making and science, crayons, and paint brushes. (Nickasha, ICC Allotment: \$329.64)
 - 6.7. Approval of funding for **Eco Action Club** to purchase a candy mixer. This includes mason jars, sugar, strawberries, red raspberries, and fruit. (Alexandro, ICC Allotment: \$122.16).
- Consent action items 6.1-6.6 approved unanimously.*

Pulled Consent Action Items:

6.7 *Motion to postpone indefinitely by Yacob, Second*

Consent Action item 6.7 postponed indefinitely.

VII. Action Items

- 7.1. Approval to move \$7000 from Contingency account to ASB Directors line item. (Cecile)

Motion to approve by Sam, Second

Cecile: Every year, George Prather was budgeting \$10,000 for the director’s line item, but he changed it based on that year. We’re just adding \$7,000 from contingency to make it the \$10,000.

Parker: How much is in contingency right now?

Cecile: \$45,000.

Dean Hearn: Last year, the Board was budgeted \$10,000 to support the year end banquet. They didn’t have a banquet last year.

Action item approved unanimously.

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7.2. Approval to support the Civic Engagement Program

Motion by Sam, Second

Parker: This is Van Tran's proposal, so I'll let her talk about it.

Van: This is a volunteer program. I hope that you will support the program and pass the initial funding for it. This program will promote community service and social responsibility. I'm hoping the program will create a movement that will make students want to get involved in the community and get involved with their peers. There are a few ways students can volunteer: Internship—career or major related; can be paid; can get school credit. Service learning: done by individual teachers depending on the class you're taking. There are a lot less hours. General volunteering: a lot of flexible hours, this is for resume enhancement and personal building. The program will place students and they will receive a certificate at the end of the year. UCLA has a lot of programs out there that do this. My point is that there are a lot of schools who have such a center.

Sam: What is the funding going to cover?

Van: Banners, posters, printing, and a stipend for a graduate student.

Yacob: What's the difference between this and a charter club as far as funding?

Van: I think this is a lot bigger than what a club can do. This is putting students into volunteer opportunities. I'm hoping that people will go out with their friends to volunteer places.

Guido: I think what Van needs right now is a vote of support that the AS will facilitate this program. This is about getting students connected. We need to support it to the extent that you will have

Motion to call to question by Jon, Second

Call to question unanimously approved.

In favor 10, opposed 1

Action item approved.

VIII. Major Action Items (\$1,000 or greater)

8.1. Approval of funding for **Persianversion Club/A.S. Board of Directors** to celebrate Persian New Year event on May 28th on the Quad during Activity Hour. This includes food, drinks, and Persian cookies. (Mohammad, Special Project: \$2,850.00).

Motion by Mohammad, Second

Cecile: This is a proposal we have seen before. Now, it's an AS joint event that happens every year.

Spin: Isn't the Persian New Year on the Vernal Equinox?

Representatives: We're celebrating it a bit late.

Jesse: I think the event is a great idea. I've actually been able to witness it. I encourage you to use the banners that show Co-Sponsorship by the AS. I would also encourage that you advocate to all students. It seems that the rest of the community doesn't feel open to the event. I would like to see a lot more diversity in the event.

Representative: We're advertising on the SMC Facebook page and making flyers.

Parker: The bulk of it is going to food, right?

Major action approved unanimously.

8.2. Approval of funding for **Student Services/Special Programs** for funding and sponsorship for the awards ceremony on May 31st. This includes catering. (Sherri, Special Projects: \$1,200.00).

Motion to approve by Spin, Second

Julianne: This is regarding the special programs or student services celebration. We

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have this every year. It's really a time to celebrate. The event is so well attended that we had it in the cafeteria. We are moving to the gymnasium so we can accommodate people comfortably. We're just asking for some extra funds to help for the event.

Major action item approved unanimously.

- 8.3. Approval of funding for **A.S. Board of Directors** for **Welcome VIP Day**. This includes 330 combo meals from Green Truck. (Steven, Special Projects: \$3,319.59).

Motion to approve by Sam, Second

Steven: We can give an option to the students when they're coming to VIP Day for 330 vegetarian meals. The menu I was thinking was to select one of them.

Brenda Benson: The purpose is to give students what they want.

Parker: It's a lot of money, but we've been fiscally conservative. It's spreading the message of sustainability.

Major action item approved unanimously.

IX. Director / Advisor / Committee Reports (3 minutes per person)

Spin: This is the last meeting before we have a social. (ICC Meeting).

Maya: We are planning the ICC Social. It's going to be Under the Sea themed.

Caitlin: Constitution committee meeting at 3:30pm in the conference room. Our last ICC meeting is this Thursday. It should be short; we're just talking about the social.

Cecile: Make sure to submit proposals by Wednesday at 6:30pm.

Yacob: Legislative visit coming up soon. SSCCC Donation will be going to finance this Wednesday. If it goes through, we'll have a representative come speak with us.

Jemal: You should have gotten your invitations for the banquet this weekend. Your commissioners may have one guest.

Parker: Thank you for organizing that, Jemal. I'll be going to the Symposium after this meeting. I tried to get more of you to come, but you're busy. It breaks my heart (referring to what happened with the proposal). I like to be flexible sometimes. Working on the Brooklyn Castle this Thursday. There's a lot of support with this film. Will be in HSS 165 at 6:45pm. There will be a reception beforehand. You can get

Sam: Just working on the agendas and the minutes. Quick reminder: unless otherwise specified, my deadlines are on Fridays at noon. I can't accept anything after that. I want to remind you that I have to adhere to the Brown Act; this means that I have to post the agenda

Jon: Just want to compliment Sam on following the law. The recolonization of Africa will be in SCI. This is great because we're going to learn about what's going on in Africa; be informed. Planning a round table meeting for the AS Reps; I've CC'ed some Directors who are student reps. I was talking to Yacob about Region 7 stuff. I would like to be in tune with that with Yacob because he's leaving. We're also having an Afro-Cuban play. I'm also going to be taking care of the Organic Learning Garden.

Steven: Thanks for taking care of the Garden, Jon. The water fountain is being made as we speak. That's most of what I have been doing. We were named #1 in Energy and Sustainability. The main thing was replacing the boiler.

Jesse: I have two commissioners who are reps on your committee. You actually genuinely care; you ask a lot of questions, which is good. I worked on the Website, so you can look at that.

Dean Hearn: Thank you, thank you, thank you for handling the website. Kudos on this board. It looks amazing. Regarding the CEP, I like the concept, I support it, but my concern is the structure. When Van was finished, I went over and talked to her. Let's figure out how we can roll this out so that it can happen. Thank you for those directors who came to the orientation. I posed a question asking what is their motivation. I was somewhat impressed with their responses. The common thread was that they

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are motivated to learn and motivated to serve. That was good to hear. The EcoAction club: we had to do what we had to do. I asked Alex if this was something they could continue doing past this semester; they can always resubmit next semester. They don't learn when you let this happen. I need two leaders to serve the appeals committee. I'm so proud of ya'll. The person going to follow you. I'm really proud of you Steven, you make things happen.

X. Adjournment 5:19PM
Motion by Spin, Second