



Associated Students of Santa Monica College

A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting

October 21, 2019, 3:00 p.m., Cayton Center Student Lounge (2nd Floor)

Santa Monica College, 1900 Pico Blvd, Santa Monica, CA, 90405

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

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I. Call to Order -3:00 PM

II. Roll Call

A	President , Daniel Cha	A	Director Student Assistance , Safa Saleem
A	Vice President , Yongha Hwang	A	Director Instructional Support , Jisoo Kim
L	Director Budget Management , Skander Zmerli (3:01 PM)	A	Director Publicity , Sabina Lee
AB	Secretary , Nathan Silberberg	A	Director Sustainability , Adriel Ghadoushi
L	Director Activities , Carla Claire (3:01 PM)	A	ICC Chair , Natalie Lim
L	Director Outreach , Tafari Alan (3:15 PM)	A	ICC Vice Chair , Gabriella Montgomery
A	Director Community Relations , Ching Yi Yu	A	ICC Communications Officer , Girard Dela Roca
A	Director Student Advocacy , Summer Le	A	Student Trustee , Brooke Harrington
A	Associate Dean : Dr. Isaac Rodriguez Lupercio	A	Counselor/Advisor : Benny Blaydes

III. Public Comments (2 Minutes Per Speaker)

Elliott Avila: AS board should be made aware and take action against the regressive values towards the African American and LGBTQ community; calls for resignation of Gabriella Montgomery; claims to have a history of demonstrating racially edgy things and negative comments of policy and people

Joe Hempelmann: members of the YAF club compared the Confederate flag to the LGBTQ flags; calls for Gabriella's resignation

Olivia Gwenine: also called for resignation of Gabriella Montgomery. Does not have to do with politics but with leadership, integrity and ethics. Disappointed in the leadership.

Ash: Sustainability week is happening next week in the quad, Monday there are speakers talking about climate change, Tuesday is a clothing swap on the quad with live music, Wednesday is another sustainability fest.

Thomas Rhalter: there is a pattern of behavior of past event ideas; committing full resources for recall petition of ICC election

Henry Navarro: Congratulations to the SMC chess club! 3rd place in the open section! Looks forward to seeing more events next semester

Kevin: thanks to YDSA for taking the club to the DSA LA convention, resolution was sadly not passed but a great experience for everyone. Campus and AS should be more sensitive to flags

Geneveve Ferridy: does not agree with Gabriella's perspectives however she is composed and tolerant and has been nice to all. She is juxtaposing the positions of slavery and segregation and was making fun of the absurdity of these ideas. Believes Gabriella should not lose her position and has the right to voice her opinion and believe in her own workspace.

Unnamed club members: big thanks to the AS for installing the undocumented club on campus; club president Carla was discriminated off campus and felt unfair treatment of not being allowed to work in the USA because she was an undocumented person

Safa Saleem: although she does not believe with the majority of what Gabriella believes, she is happy to have those conversations with Gabriella. Gabriella is not a Fascist, not a Confederate, not an awful human being despite what many said today. Most importantly is to have conversations about controversy.

Summer Le: very grateful to have met and worked with Gabriella. Everyone should take a moment and come to Gabriella's office hours and talk to her; has taught Summer a lot of things – respectively disagreeing with other people

Jimelia: Would not come into an office with Confederate flags. Perspectives can create barriers and that is happening here at SMC.

Kevin D'kesky: Gabriella is a person in a position of power. Symbols of hate should not be in a public place. She is supposed to be fostering a community when you come to this school.

Andrew Quintera: Premise of college is to enter the workforce, if you cannot hold yourselves accountable then you should not be here. The Confederate flag is a form of discrimination.

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Natalie Lim: part of leadership is having courage; Gabriella is a hard worker; regardless of her political beliefs she will do great work for the ICC; the Confederate flag is a form of hate; Gabriella is not a fascist; Confederate flag is not the same as the Pride flag.

Girard Dela Roca: Gabriella did not compare the LGBTQ flag to the Confederate flag it was a different person of her club; hatred and being gay is not the same thing; does not believe it to be the right thing to put up the Confederate flag in the office.

Jisoo Kim: she disagrees with Gabriella in the office all the time but has the conversations and debates instead of screaming at each other; Gabriella has great work ethics and does not bring up her own political beliefs or agenda as a director of AS.

Skander Zmerli: Gabriella is doing a great job as an AS director; she uses her first amendment right respectfully; calling for her resignation should only come from relating to her position in the AS Constitution and Bylaws, not because of what she believes or thinks. Gabriella understands that she made a mistake and took down the flag.

Youssef Vestle: part of the debate team with Gabriella and met her there; she has given complete respect and dignity ever since meeting; what she had up in the office was a joke and satirical; Him as a person as: a Bisexual male, African American and Jewish; Gabriella has not let her politics come between her and other people and should not resign from her position.

Chris Patterson: hopes that everyone in the public will come back and listen in to the AS meetings.

Gabriel: respects Gabriella and when someone is in a political position, they are an influencer, and many will follow in the same actions.

Gabriella Montgomery: thanks the public for showing up to listening to the AS meeting and giving public comments; grateful to all who came forward to defend her character because they know she is as a person and means a lot to her; context is important to all conversations; read out loud the parking sign "Parking for Confederates only all others go back North"; works very hard for the ICC and the AS; her politics have not been pushed at the AS meetings at all; shame on all AS Directors whom have been pushing the bashing of her character online and behind the scenes; the AS Board of Directors should be a unit and working together instead of apart; in no way does she support the Confederate flag or am a racist; apologizes to those offended by the sign; will not be resigning from AS/ICC;

- **Motion for more time:** ICC Communications Officer, 2nd by Dir. of Budget Management
Has never disrespected anyone from the LGBTQ community at school or at home because of having the kindness of knowing LGBTQ members of her own family; is very supportive of DACA students and believes they have every right to be in this country as anyone else; Club Row is this Thursday during activity hour; shout-out to all debate team members for placing well during debate conference held over the weekend, some team members received bronze, silver and gold awards.

Carla Claire: even though she disagrees with Gabriella's view, working with Gabriella is comfortable and she is a great worker; impeaching Gabriella should be based off of what is stated in the AS Constitution and Bylaws not based off of her beliefs or what she thinks; she does not bring her own political views to the ICC or AS meetings; all SMC students should attend the 90th anniversary of SMC as a well as ribbon cutting of the new student services center; STEM tutoring is free and in the science building; Wednesday night Beetlejuice will be playing.

Gan: over the weekend the SMC Debate team competed at El Camino college at the Crossman invitational competition and won the overall champions of the invitational. Thanks to the AS for supporting the team financially and otherwise.

Alexis Green: The Confederate flag should not have had the flag up in the AS office due to someone being offended. It is disrespectful and as an African-America how am I supposed to feel around you; if peers are joking about it, it shouldn't be a joke at all. Why is it compared to the Pride flag.

Reema Alshamari: PSL invite for international campaign. Sign the petition. To free the Brazilian president from prison.

Kate Carlin: We as people, we as social and physical and mental entities, we can all find commonality. Love is love. Everyone should be supporting one another.



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Adriel Ghadoushi: Thanks to the public for coming to give their opinions; AS is one of the wonders of the world, coming and experiencing the meeting.

Huna: does not see much Black representation on the AS board. The Confederate flag is about hatred and not a joke.

Yongha Hwang: would like to continue with the meetings consent and major action items; Gabriella has her office hours posted in the Cayton Center and would love to talk to anyone that so desires; would like this public comment to be the last one.

Brooke Harrington: if anyone else would like to make a public comment they are welcome to speak now.

Briana: the Confederate flag is not a joke and is offensive; do not bring in ideas that are offensive to others.

Aliya: as a Black woman it is hard to think the Confederate flag is seen as a joke; there is a lack of self-awareness.

Roy: believes in having different people with different opinions on the board. It is important to protect those who have differing opinions.

Tafari Alan: today should be a learning experience, first and foremost. Encourages people to go to Gabriella's office hours and that AS should be held accountable for our actions.

Anonymous: freedom of speech and promotion across SMC and other colleges is important and should be protected.

Rava: The President of the USA that is putting children in cages and we are living in the most heated political climate. Using a symbol like this as a joke, it is not funny.

• **Motion for more time:** ICC Chair, 2nd by Student Trustee

Would like to see consequences for putting up the Confederate flag in the AS office. The AS should address the issue.

Derrick: does Gabriella treat all people equally?

Reed: claims Gabriella knew putting up the Confederate flag in the office would cause an issue and is a Right-wing response here in the USA.

Anonymous: claims Gabriella dismisses the parking sign as a joke.

Fumi: The public really personally don't know you. This is not a joke. Makes the board look like a joke.

IV. Approval of Minutes — October 14th, 2019

• **Motion to approve:** ICC Chair, 2nd by ICC Communications Officer

V. Student Trustee Report — Brooke Harrington

Board of trustees meeting is in two weeks, will report in another 3 weeks. Thanks to all in the public who has stayed for the public comments section; the room is the fullest it has been since the Gender and Equity center voting in the last 2 years. As elected officials, we have the duty to appear unbiased. The confederate flag is a symbol of oppression, the pride flag is a symbol of pride and acceptance. Gabriella is allowed to have whatever she wants on her desk, so she is held accountable for what is on that desk because it is public property. Requested to be taken out of DSC group messages because she did not want to be in the biased conversation.

Urges people to all run for a position in the Spring AS elections, you have the choice and the opportunity to change the narrative on this campus.

VI. Guest Speaker (10 Minutes per speaker)

VII. Committee Reports (5 minutes per speaker)

- Global Citizenship Committee (Yongha Hwang): Discussed about faculty who wanted to apply for the study abroad program, made a survey for faculty to fill out to apply for a study abroad position. Summer 2020 study abroad program will be to Guatemala.
- Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee (Christine Tai): Presented on the early childhood LAPD school for low-income Santa Monica residents and their children. There are 10 SMC students with children who are going to attend this school. Children will foster a humanistic type of learning. Math and science building will be expanded, clock tower will be renovated between April 2020 and December of 2022. Malibu campus will be energy efficient – one million dollars under budget. College is considering letting go of the Bundy Campus.
- DPAC Budget Committee (Skander Zmerli): FTES explanation and update decline in non-residential FTES funding; hoping for a \$4000 increase from non-residential and international students; decline in \$4,000,000 from non-residential tuition; \$64,000,000 increase from state legislature; decrease in ESL revenue by \$29,000,000.

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VIII. Consent Action Items (under \$1000)

- 8.1** Approval of purchase for Sports Day for Korean Union Club (Jaehyeon Kim—Requesting \$114.15 ICC Allotment).
- 8.2** Approval of purchase for Sports Day (Undoukai) for Japanese and Korean Cultural Event for Japanese Student Association (Emmi Tsunoda—Requesting \$115.11 ICC Allotment).
- 8.3** Approval of purchase for Sports Day for Japanese Student Association and Korean Union (Young Eun Lyun—Requesting \$115.11 ICC Allotment).
- 8.4** Approval of purchase for Club Row Day for Korean Union (Jaehyeon Kim—Requesting \$148.41 ICC Allotment).
- 8.5** Approval for SMC First Gen Day for the Associated Students (Dennis Funes—Requesting \$200.00 Activities).
- 8.6** Approval for Beetlejuice and Monster House for the Associated Students (Carla Claire— Requesting \$281.54 Activities).
- 8.7** Approval of purchase of stickers and shirts for Fundraising for WiSTEM (Tafari Alan— Requesting \$200.00 ICC).
- 8.8** Approval for purchase of music Equipment for SMC Music Club (JaeWon Choi—Requesting \$380.00 ICC Allotment).
- 8.9** Approval for Literary Series: Two Luncheons for English Department (Hari Vishwanadha— Requesting \$200.00 Activities).
- 8.10** Approval for Literary Series: Lecture and Lunch for English Department (Hari Vishwanadha— Requesting \$450.00 Activities).
- 8.11** Approval for Dia De Los Muertos event for Adelante Club (Ana Maria Gallegos—Requesting \$762.20; \$26.20 Special Accounts, \$100.00 ICC Allotment, \$636.00 Activities).

- **Motion to Amend title of 8.6:** ICC Communications, 2nd by Dir. of Activities
 - **Removal of words:** monster house

Vote on amendment of title change for item 8.6:

A	Vice President, Yongha Hwang		Director Student Assistance, Safa Saleem
A	Director Budget Management, Skander Zmerli		Director Instructional Support, Jisoo Kim
	Secretary, Nathan Silberberg	A	Director Publicity, Sabina Lee
A	Director Activities, Carla Claire		Director Sustainability, Adriel Ghadoushi
A	Director Outreach, Tafari Alan	A	ICC Chair, Natalie Lim
A	Director Community Relations, Ching Yi Yu	A	ICC Vice Chair, Gabriella Montgomery
A	Director Student Advocacy, Summer Le	A	ICC Communications Officer, Girard Dela Roca

- Amendment of title change for item 8.6 was approved with a unanimous vote
- **Pulled items: 8.1, 8.2, 8.4:** Dir. of Publicity pulled item 8.4, Dir. of Budget Management pulled items 8.1, 8.2, 8.4
- **Motion to approve items 8.3, 8.5-8.11:** ICC Chair, 2nd by Dir. of Activities

A	Vice President, Yongha Hwang		Director Student Assistance, Safa Saleem
N	Director Budget Management, Skander Zmerli		Director Instructional Support, Jisoo Kim
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- Items 8.3, 8.5-8.11 passed with a majority vote
- **Motion to approve item 8.1:** Dir. of Budget Management, 2nd by ICC Vice Chair

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Vote on item 8.1: Approval of purchase for Sports Day for Korean Union Club (Jaehyeon Kim—Requesting \$114.15 ICC Allotment).

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N	Director Budget Management , Skander Zmerli	N	Director Instructional Support , Jisoo Kim
	Secretary , Nathan Silberberg	N	Director Publicity , Sabina Lee
N	Director Activities , Carla Claire		Director Sustainability , Adriel Ghadoushi
N	Director Outreach , Tafari Alan	N	ICC Chair , Natalie Lim
N	Director Community Relations , Ching Yi Yu	N	ICC Vice Chair , Gabriella Montgomery
N	Director Student Advocacy , Summer Le	A	ICC Communications Officer , Girard Dela Roca

○ Item did not pass by majority vote

• **Motion to approve item 8.2:** ICC Vice Chair, 2nd by Dir. of Outreach

Vote on item 8.2: Approval of purchase for Sports Day (Undoukai) for Japanese and Korean Cultural Event for Japanese Student Association (Emmi Tsunoda—Requesting \$115.11 ICC Allotment).

N	Vice President , Yongha Hwang		Director Student Assistance , Safa Saleem
N	Director Budget Management , Skander Zmerli	N	Director Instructional Support , Jisoo Kim
	Secretary , Nathan Silberberg	N	Director Publicity , Sabina Lee
N	Director Activities , Carla Claire		Director Sustainability , Adriel Ghadoushi
N	Director Outreach , Tafari Alan	N	ICC Chair , Natalie Lim
N	Director Community Relations , Ching Yi Yu	N	ICC Vice Chair , Gabriella Montgomery
N	Director Student Advocacy , Summer Le	N	ICC Communications Officer , Girard Dela Roca

○ Item did not pass by unanimous vote

• **Motion to approve item 8.4:** Dir. of Budget Management, 2nd ICC Chair

Vote on item 8.4: Approval of purchase for Club Row Day for Korean Union (Jaehyeon Kim—Requesting \$148.41 ICC Allotment).

N	Vice President , Yongha Hwang		Director Student Assistance , Safa Saleem
N	Director Budget Management , Skander Zmerli	N	Director Instructional Support , Jisoo Kim
	Secretary , Nathan Silberberg	N	Director Publicity , Sabina Lee
N	Director Activities , Carla Claire		Director Sustainability , Adriel Ghadoushi
N	Director Outreach , Tafari Alan	N	ICC Chair , Natalie Lim
N	Director Community Relations , Ching Yi Yu	N	ICC Vice Chair , Gabriella Montgomery
N	Director Student Advocacy , Summer Le	N	ICC Communications Officer , Girard Dela Roca

○ Item did not pass by a unanimous vote



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IX. Major Action Items (over \$1000)

9.1 Approval for Voter Registration Awareness for Associated Students (Summer Le-Requesting \$25,000.00 Special Projects).

- **Motion to Approve 9.1: Vice President, 2nd by ICC Communications Officer**

A	Vice President, Yongha Hwang		Director Student Assistance, Safa Saleem
A	Director Budget Management, Skander Zmerli	A	Director Instructional Support, Jisoo Kim
	Secretary, Nathan Silberberg	A	Director Publicity, Sabina Lee
A	Director Activities, Carla Claire		Director Sustainability, Adriel Ghadoushi
A	Director Outreach, Tafari Alan	A	ICC Chair, Natalie Lim
A	Director Community Relations, Ching Yi Yu	A	ICC Vice Chair, Gabriella Montgomery
A	Director Student Advocacy, Summer Le	A	ICC Communications Officer, Girard Dela Roca

- Item passed with a unanimous vote

9.2 Approval for the San Diego Zoo Trip for SMC Anthropology Club (Bryan Mendez-Lopez- Requesting \$1200; \$600 Activities, \$600 ICC Allotment).

- **Motion to approve: Dir. of Budget Management, 2nd by Dir. of Publicity**

A	Vice President, Yongha Hwang		Director Student Assistance, Safa Saleem
A	Director Budget Management, Skander Zmerli	A	Director Instructional Support, Jisoo Kim
	Secretary, Nathan Silberberg	A	Director Publicity, Sabina Lee
A	Director Activities, Carla Claire		Director Sustainability, Adriel Ghadoushi
A	Director Outreach, Tafari Alan	A	ICC Chair, Natalie Lim
A	Director Community Relations, Ching Yi Yu	A	ICC Vice Chair, Gabriella Montgomery
A	Director Student Advocacy, Summer Le	A	ICC Communications Officer, Girard Dela Roca

- Item passed with a unanimous vote

9.3 Approval for Hocus Pocus/Halloween Town event for Associated Students (Carla Claire- Requesting \$2,195.21 Activities).

- **Motion to Amend 9.3 for title change: Dir. of Activities, 2nd by ICC Communications Officer**

- **Removal of words: Halloween Town**

A	Vice President, Yongha Hwang		Director Student Assistance, Safa Saleem
A	Director Budget Management, Skander Zmerli	A	Director Instructional Support, Jisoo Kim
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A	Director Outreach, Tafari Alan	A	ICC Chair, Natalie Lim
A	Director Community Relations, Ching Yi Yu	A	ICC Vice Chair, Gabriella Montgomery
A	Director Student Advocacy, Summer Le	A	ICC Communications Officer, Girard Dela Roca

- Amended passed with a unanimous vote

- **Motion to approve item 9.3 with amendment: Vice President, 2nd by Dir. of Instructional Support**

A	Vice President, Yongha Hwang		Director Student Assistance, Safa Saleem
A	Director Budget Management, Skander Zmerli	A	Director Instructional Support, Jisoo Kim
	Secretary, Nathan Silberberg	A	Director Publicity, Sabina Lee
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9.4 Approval of purchase for Support for the SMC PPI Fall Arts Forum and Spring Symposium 2019-2020 for SMC Public Policy Institute (Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein—Requesting \$10,000 Special Projects).

- **Motion to approve pending receipt of complete quotes:** Dir. Budget Management, 2nd ICC Communications Officer

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- Item passed with a unanimous vote pending receipt of complete quotes

9.5 Approval for Club Row – Clubs’ Proposals (Gabriella Montgomery—Requesting \$2,100.00 Clubs’ ICC Allotments).

ICC Club Row FL-19 = Club ICC Allotments	TOTAL = \$2,100.00
Unicef	\$199.22
Phi Theta Kappa	\$65.96
Adelante Club	\$180.82
SMC French Club	\$147.94
Respiratory Therapy Club	\$83.46
SMC Hong Kong Student Association	\$105.16
Wistem	\$47.00
Psi Beta	\$81.50
Beyond the Cryptocurrency	\$250.00
German Austrian Swiss Club	\$300.00
Investment and Entrepreneurship Club	\$200.00
Japanese Student Association	\$100.00
Korean Union	\$41.98
Muslim Student Association	\$85.00
Brazil	\$180.00

- **Motion to Approve: ICC Chair, 2nd by ICC Communications officer**

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X. Other Action Items

10.1 Formation of Making Cayton Center More Welcoming Committee

- Members: Dir. Of Activities, Dir. Of Outreach, Student Trustee Harrington, Dir of Publicity, Dir. Of Student Advocacy, Secretary
- **Motion to approve item 10.1:** ICC Communications Officer, 2nd by Dir. of Publicity

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	Secretary , Nathan Silberberg		Director Sustainability , Adriel Ghadoushi
A	Director Activities , Carla Claure	A	ICC Chair , Natalie Lim
A	Director Outreach , Tafari Alan	A	ICC Vice Chair , Gabriella Montgomery
A	Director Community Relations , Ching Yi Yu	A	ICC Communications Officer , Girard Dela Roca
A	Director Student Advocacy , Summer Le		Student Trustee , Brooke Harrington

- Item passed with a unanimous vote

XI. Discussion Items (10 Minutes Per Item)

XII. Director Reports (2 Minutes Each)

12.1 President — Daniel Cha

- Hopes we can come together as a board and be the voice for all SMC students.
- Friendsgiving and Friendsgiving bowl game proposals have been submitted.
- Be sure to come to the 90th anniversary tomorrow.

12.2 Vice President — Yongha Hwang

- AS Month and Semester planning and reporting reports should be handed in on time; if any questions come up, please feel free to email me for clarifications

12.3 Secretary — Nathan Silberberg

- Commissioner Katimeer Carlin gave report in Secretary’s excused absence due to religious holiday
- “Darkness cannot drive out darkness: Only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: Only love can do that” -MLK JR.
- As you all know, I am on holiday for the next 2 days and am not present at this meeting. All is well with agendas and minutes so far this semester and I am glad to announce that. Although I did not attend homecoming, due to being on Sabbath, I got to watch photos and videos on social media and saw the glory and fun everyone had with the game and AS engagement. (shout-out to Tafari and committee for pulling off such a successful event!!)
- I would like to affirm my support to our fellow AS/ICC director, ICC Vice Chair, Gabriella Montgomery. With the recent post on the unofficial SMC Facebook group, there has been much talk and controversy. Every person on this board and in this school and in this country has the right to free expression even if it may offend some individuals.
- I’ve known Gabriella for about a year now and she is nothing but a considerate, loving, G-d fearing and legitimately tolerant woman. I was raised with the values of compassion and tolerance by my family and friends. Gabriella has shown on countless occasion her compassion and tolerance. These values are important and must be upheld at all times.

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- The AS board of directors is supposed to function as a single UNIT that supports one another and gives constructive criticism when necessary. This AS board of directors has failed to do so. Gabriella is one of us and we cannot leave her to be falsely accused of being a racist.
- I hope this event will not happen again.
- May this board and future boards continue to be tolerant.

12.4 Dir. Budget Management — Skander Zmerli

- All public comment attendees as well as club members are welcome to come back to any and all AS meetings.
- We hope to carry out our positions to the best of our abilities.

12.5 Dir. Publicity — Sabina Lee

- Will be getting business cards this week. Will order more if there is popular demand.

12.6 Dir. Student Outreach — Tafari Alan

- Homecoming was on October 19th. Committee debrief meeting will be on November 1st.

12.7 Dir. Student Advocacy — Summer Le

- A lot of ESL students were interested in AS. OER presentations are going great. First big proposal this weekend. Went with AS Secretary Nathan Silberberg to ESL classrooms and had a successful discussion with students on AS benefits.

12.8 Dir. Community Relations — Ching Yi Yu

- International day on November 21st, clubs will be having games and food. Will be submitting proposal hopefully next week.

12.9 Dir. Activities — Carla Claire

- Invites everyone to the ribbon cutting of new Student Services Center and SMC 90th anniversary celebration events tomorrow.
- Next Tuesday is Hocus Pocus night here, and sustainability week is next week. Plans to have Coraline and Coco movie showings in November!

12.10 Dir. Instructional Support — Jisoo Kim

- SMC Photography department art gallery Alumni Exhibition & Silent Auction is taking place right now. Monday to Friday, 11AM – 4 PM until October 25th.

12.11 ICC Chair — Natalie Lim

- Noted that the discussion we had today was necessary. Thankful for everyone's cooperation during the meeting. Thankful for our positions to the students who voted for us.
- November 14th, the Political Arena, a debate during activity hour in the Cayton Center. Will be partially filmed by PTK.

12.12 ICC Vice-Chair – Gabriella Montgomery

- Wanted to thank her mom for coming to the meeting today
- Debate team did great at the tournament.
- Club Row is this Thursday, theme is harvest/festival, come out and support!
- Loves her job and all the opportunities it comes with

12.13 ICC Communications – Girard Dela Roca

- Commends all AS Directors for a great discussion
- Looks forward to seeing everyone being at Club Row.

XIII. Advisor Reports

13.1 Benny Blaydes, Counselor/Advisor

- Affordability act was introduced into Congress on Tuesday, if passed, many fees will be waived in many states and the Pell grant amount will increase.
- Enrollment dates for Winter and Spring semesters are now posted on Corsair Connect as well as class schedules.
- Thanks to Tafari and Carla for a great SMC Homecoming.

Key: P = Present; Ab = Absent; L = Late; A = Aye; N = Nay; B = Abstain



Associated Students of Santa Monica College

A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting

October 21, 2019, 3:00 p.m., Cayton Center Student Lounge (2nd Floor)

Santa Monica College, 1900 Pico Blvd, Santa Monica, CA, 90405

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

MINUTES

- Health department is getting strict. When you have an event with food, please do it well in advance or else we will have to pay a fine.

13.2 Dr. Isaac Rodriguez Lupercio, Associate Dean/Advisor

- Thanks to AS President for accompanying to pay fine for the food permits.
- Thanks to all Directors for submitting so many proposals on time.
- Huge thank you to Carla and Tafari for an amazing Spirit Week and SMC Homecoming.
- Student life office will be closed for one hour so all staff can attend the ribbon cutting. Student life office will also be closed for one hour on the 24th due to Club Row.
- Student affairs committee meets every other week, will be continuing to talk about Administrative Regulations with student clubs. All still in the initial stages.

XIV. Adjournment -5:44 PM

- **Motion to Adjourn:** Dir. Of Budget Management, 2nd By ICC Chair