



Associated Students of Santa Monica College

A.S. Finance Regular Meeting

Apr. 17, 2024, 11:00 a.m. Cayton Center A.S. Conference Room (2nd Floor)

1900 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica, College 90405

The Public may join via: Zoom/Telephone: <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/92686613618>

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

Minutes

I. Call to Order @ 11:15 AM

II. Roll Call

Voting:

Director of Budget Management: David Duncan P

President: Cecilia Jeong P (Remote)

Director of Sustainability: Joseph Sanchez P

ICC Vice Chair: Zach Makari P

Director of Auxiliary: David Dever P

Counselor/Advisor: Benny Blaydes P

Non-voting:

Dean of Education Enterprises: Mitch Heskel P

Associate Dean: Thomas Bui P

- Motion to allow A.S. President Cecilia Jeong to participate remotely due to just cause by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. A.S. President was allowed to participate remotely without objection.

III. Public Comment (2 minutes per speaker): none.

IV. Approval of Minutes – 03/27/24, 04/03/24

- Minutes were approved without objection.

V. Minor Action Items (under \$1000)

5.1 Approval for Jewish Voice for Peace Speaker by Students for Justice in Palestine at SMC

(Club President Olivia Taha: Cost \$355.00. Requesting \$200.00. ICC Allotment) **Proposal 375**

- Item 5.1 was approved without objection.

5.2 Approval for Club Row Purchases by Chem Club

(Club President Joelle Hansen: Cost \$64.04. Requesting \$64.04. Activities) **Proposal 379**

- Motion to strike item 5.2 due to Chem Club no longer seeking funding from A.S. by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was struck without objection.

5.3 Approval for 2023-2024 Associated Students Polos by Associated Students

(A.S. President Cecilia Jeong: Cost \$900.00. Requesting \$900.00. Publicity) **Proposal 380**

- Motion to strike item 5.3 due to proposal being superseded by Proposal 390 by Director of Auxiliary David Dever. Seconded. Item was struck without objection.

5.4 Approval for Food for General Meeting by ASEAN SMC

(Club ICC Delegate Shukhy Ung: Cost \$53.31. Requesting \$53.31. ICC Allotment) **Proposal 382**

- Item 5.4 was approved without objection.

VI. Major Action Items (equal or over \$1000)

6.1 Approval for Solar Umbrellas by Associated Students

(A.S. Dir. of Sustainability Joseph Sanchez: Cost \$102,437.33. Requesting \$102,437.33. PYS) **Proposal 360**

- The committee received an update on the potential maintenance and upgrade costs of the umbrellas from Director of Sustainability Joseph Sanchez.
- The committee continued discussion on the item.
- The committee requested Director of Sustainability Joseph Sanchez research the electricity cost savings and general return on investment of the proposed purchase and report back at a future meeting.
- Motion to table item 6.1 until the next finance committee meeting so that the committee may receive requested information and continue discussions by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was tabled without objection.

6.2 Approval for Pride, Paint, Empower by Associated Students

(A.S. Director of Activities Cleo Hansasuta. Cost \$1,500.00. Requesting \$1,500.00. Activities) **Proposal 378**

- Motion to table item 6.2 until the next finance committee meeting due to the item being tabled at prior Activities committee meeting by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was tabled without objection.



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- 6.3** Approval for Boardgames Purchase by Associated Students
 (A.S. Dir. of Instructional Support Subin Kang: Cost \$1,500.00. Requesting \$1,500.00. Cayton Center) **Proposal 381**

 - Item 6.3 was approved with a unanimous vote.
- 6.4** Approval for Second Half of the Semester Push Event by Mathematics Department
 (Assistant Chair Brian Rodas: Cost \$2,500.00. Requesting \$2,500.00. Activities) **Proposal 386**

 - Motion to table item 6.4 until the end of major action items due to absence of department representative by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was tabled without objection.
 - Motion to table item 6.4 until the next finance committee meeting so that the committee can receive additional information from the Mathematics Department and continue discussion by ICC Vice Chair Zach Makari. Seconded. Item was tabled without objection.
- 6.5** Approval for Student Showcase by Design Technology Department
 (Department Chair Sheila Cordova: Cost \$5,800.00. Requesting \$5,800.00. Activities) **Proposal 326**

 - Motion to reduce the cost and requesting amount of item 6.5 to \$3,000.00 by ICC Vice Chair Zach Makari. Seconded. Item was amended with a unanimous vote.
 - Item was approved with a unanimous vote.
- 6.6** Approval for A.S. Merchandise by Associated Students
 (A.S. Dir. of Publicity Lina Fuellemann: Cost \$20,671.18. Requesting \$20,671.18. Publicity) **Proposal 389**

 - Motion to table item 6.6 and consider item 6.4 immediately due to scheduling constraints of the Mathematics Department representative by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was tabled without objection.
 - Motion to reduce the cost and requesting amounts of item 6.6 to \$3,300.00 by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was amended with a majority vote.

Director of Budget Management David Duncan	A.S. President Cecilia Jeong	Director of Sustainability Joseph Sanchez
Yes	No	Yes
ICC Vice Chair Zach Makari	Director of Auxiliary David Dever	Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes
Absent (Early Departure)	Yes	Yes

- Item 6.6 was approved with a unanimous vote.
- 6.7** Approval for Reusable Utensils - A.S. Merch by Associated Students
 (A.S. Dir. of Sustainability Joseph Sanchez: Cost \$5,645.96. Requesting \$5,645.96. Sustainability) **Proposal 387**

 - Motion to table item 6.7 so that submitter can research lower-cost vendors and district policies surrounding some of the items and report back for further discussion by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was tabled without objection.
- 6.8** Approval for SMC AS Polos by Associated Students
 (A.S. President Cecilia Jeong: Cost \$1,200.00, Requesting \$1,200.00. Publicity) **Proposal 390**

 - Motion to amend item 6.8 to request \$900.00 of the \$1,200.00 total cost from the Student Representation Fee line and the remaining \$300.00 from the Directors line by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was amended with a unanimous vote.
 - Item 6.8 was approved with a unanimous vote.



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- 6.9** Approval for SMC Mobile Hotspot for Students by Auxiliary Services
(Director of Auxiliary David Dever: Cost \$34,800. Requesting \$34,800. Prior Year Surplus) **Proposal 392**
- Director of Auxiliary David Dever gave a brief presentation on the proposal and fielded some questions from the committee.
 - Motion to table item 6.9 until the next meeting so that discussions can continue by Director of Sustainability Joseph Sanchez. Seconded. Item was tabled without objection.

VII. Informational Items:

7.1 Budget Update

- Director of Budget Management David Duncan gave a brief update on the remaining unrestricted funds in the A.S. budget for the year. He noted that actuals for the month of March are still being finalized, so he will give a more substantial update once the committee has complete revenue numbers for the Spring 2024 semester.

VIII. Other Action Item:

8.1 Budget Reforecast

- Director of Budget Management David Duncan briefly discussed the ICC budget, which will likely need to be increased as clubs use their ICC Allotments throughout the remainder of the semester. However, he recommended that the committee postpone taking action for a future week.
- No action taken.

IX. Discussion Items:

9.1 Fiscal Policy Revisions (cont'd)

- Item was skipped due to a lack of time.

X. Director and Committee Reports (2 minutes per speaker)

- A.S. President Cecilia Jeong gave an update on her student journal project, requesting that board members submit pages discussing their roles to be published as part of the journal.

XI. Advisor Reports: none.

XII. Adjournment @ 1:32 PM

- Motion to adjourn by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded.